



## Donald Gene Workman

October 12, 1932 - December 13, 2020

Donald Gene Workman was born on Oct. 12, 1932 to Clarence and Oma Workman in Pawnee City, NE. He was the second child with 3 siblings. The family lived on a farm and had livestock and crops. Don majored in 4-H in grades 1-12 in Humboldt and Table Rock, NE.

When he was 19, he joined the Air Force to serve during the Korean War. He proceeded to serve for 4 years in various locations including Thule, Greenland and Edwards Air Force Base. During this time, Don grew to love, respect and honor his country. One of the highlights of his life was going on the Honor Flight to Washington D.C. in April 2016.

In 1954, Don met a young lady that he couldn't shake loose from for 64 years. He and Evelyn Hansen were married on June 23, 1956, while Don was still in the service. After getting out of the service, Don worked briefly for civil service. It didn't take him long to know that he didn't want to do that for the rest of his life. Don used the money from the GI Bill to attend Pharmacy School. The first stop on that journey was pre pharmacy at Reedley College. In Reedley, Don's son Scott was born. Next, the family moved to L.A. in order for Don to attend U.S.C. Pharmacy School. During those years, daughters Tami and Lisa were born. After completing school, they moved to Kingsburg, CA and praised the Lord they day they got results in the mail that Don had passed his test and was now a licensed pharmacist!

Eventually, Don and Evelyn purchased Model Drug in Kingsburg. Their children and many others grew up working at the drug store and soda fountain. Many fond memories and connections with the community were made at Model Drug.

When the time came for "semi-retirement", Don got very involved in city projects. He was chairman of the beautification committee for many years along with many other committees. In 1990 he was honored as Kingsburg's Citizen of the Year. Don was intent on beautifying Kingsburg, but still made time to enjoy traveling with friends and family.

Don was a member of the Evangelical Covenant Church of Kingsburg and served on Stewardship and Properties for many years, which he really enjoyed. Above all, Don loved his Lord and Savior, in whose arms he now rests.

Don's legacy lives on with his family. He is survived by his wife of 64 years, Evelyn Workman; his children and their spouses, Scott and Lori Workman, Tami and Bill Dodd, and Lisa and Blake Carlson; his grandchildren and their spouses, Wes and CJ Workman, Candace and Andrew Snell, Tyler and Cheryl Carlson, Chelsey and David Salazar, Jenna and Caleb Diepersloot, April and Kris Kalender, and Nick Dodd; his great-grandchildren, Gatlin and Blakeleigh Snell, Cala and Sadie Workman, Lowell and Joaquin Salazar, Owen Carlson, Clay, Bella and Evie Diepersloot, and 2 more baby boys expected in 2021. He is also survived by a brother, Eldon and his wife Vickie from Tulsa, OK and a sister, Betty Jo and her husband Dave Phillips in Humboldt NE.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC **20**. 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM (PT)

Salser & Dillard Creighton Chapel  
1588 Lincoln Street  
Kingsburg, CA 93631  
(559) 897-2908  
<https://www.creightonchapel.com>

## Military Honors

DEC **21**. 11:30 AM (PT)

Kingsburg Cemetery  
12782 E. Clarkson Avenue  
Kingsburg, CA 93631

# Tribute Wall



“ *Salser & Dillard Creighton Chapel created a Tribute Video in memory of Donald Gene Workman*



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**Salser & Dillard Creighton Chapel** - December 18, 2020 at 03:36 PM

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“ *To Scott and Lori, sorry for your loss. God's comfort is already on you and family.*

*Richard and Janet Lugar*

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**Richard Lugar** - December 24, 2020 at 05:48 PM

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“ *All I can say is: God bless you Don.*

*Prayers to you and your family.*

*Todd Olson*

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**Todd Olson** - December 20, 2020 at 09:22 PM

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“ *Del & Barbara Williamson purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Donald Gene Workman.*



Del & Barbara Williamson - December 19, 2020 at 04:00 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Donald Gene Workman.*



December 19, 2020 at 01:52 PM

LE

“ *I miss Don so much. He was a wise mentor and such an enthusiastic friend. He loved Kingsburg and was always the first man to pick up a shovel, rake or paintbrush to make our town a more beautiful place. He believed in the mission of Friends of the Depot from earliest days and did everything possible to make it a success.*

Larry Esau - December 17, 2020 at 07:06 PM

DC

“ *we always had a good time with Don at Kiwanis. So sad to hear he is gone. Blessings to his family and friends.  
Pete and Darleen Lo Coco*

DARLEEN A LO COCO - December 17, 2020 at 06:53 PM

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“ So sorry to hear this. Don was such a great man. He was always helping out and giving time and money to our community. I especially appreciate his support of our Kingsburg City Band. Our thoughts and prayers will continue to go out to his family.

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**Dale Engstrom** - December 17, 2020 at 09:53 AM

JO

“ So sorry to learn of Don's passing. Had a lot of good church social gathering with he and Evy. He also did a lot for the city, including personally hanging flags , etc for the many civic activities, during the year. Dedicated citizen. He will be missed.

*John O'Rorke*

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**john ororke** - December 16, 2020 at 06:34 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Donald Gene Workman.



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December 16, 2020 at 03:39 PM

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“ My thoughts and prayers are with the family and friends of this very, special man. Rest in Peace, Don. Blessings.

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**Nancy McCall** - December 16, 2020 at 12:32 PM