



Donald Dean Pfeiffer

January 18, 1935 - January 18, 2026

A Celebration of Life gathering will be 1:30 p.m. Tuesday, January 20, 2026, at the Sacred Heart Parish Hall.

Donald Dean Pfeiffer was born on January 18, 1935, in Protection, KS to Theresa Sophia Oltman-Pfeiffer and Alvin Arthur Pfeiffer. Don passed away peacefully surrounded by a multitude of family on his 91st birthday, January 18, 2026.

Don graduated from Protection High School in 1952, after which he attended Northwestern Oklahoma State University in Alva, where he played baritone in the NWOSU band. He earned his degree in Industrial Arts in 1957. During his time at Northwestern, Don met the love of his life, Bertha “Bunny” Jones. Their courtship began with a memorable first date -Don arrived in his black Studebaker convertible, wearing a white scarf, and Bunny was smitten. The couple married later that year and went on to share 68 wonderful years together, blessed with six children -Thomas Dean, Daniel Ray, Donna Beth, James Arthur, Chere Jean, and Dwight Sean - of whom they are deeply proud.

Don worked briefly as a teacher before returning to Magnuson’s Grocery. It was there that customers began asking him to “fix” things, unknowingly setting the foundation for a lifelong career in homebuilding, remodeling, and

woodworking. He went on to establish Pfeiffer and Son's Construction, building numerous homes in Alva and the surrounding areas for more than 40 years. Don built a fabulous home for his own family and was especially proud of his master craftsmanship, hand-building fine cabinetry and creating work that reflected his skill, dedication, and attention to detail. He always said, "Do it right the first time" and "Measure twice, cut once."

His greatest passion was his children, and he delighted in giving them meaningful experiences - whether through Pinewood Derby projects, his fascination with trains and airplanes, shared hobbies, or hours spent tinkering with motorcycles and vehicles. Don and Bunny made many cherished memories through a variety of camping experiences with their children, and Don especially loved driving his motorhome. In later years, Don and Bunny faithfully listened to their grandchildren's sporting events on the radio and rarely missed a game.

He also found great enjoyment harvesting wheat on his open-cab Gleaner combine. He experienced a sense of peace both in the wheat fields and while tending to his backyard fruit trees.

Don and Bunny shared 68 blessed years of marriage and a loving family that included six children, 12 grandchildren, and 19 great-grandchildren. Don passed on to his family his love of music, strong work ethic, sense of humor, and remarkable ability to fix just about anything.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his sister, Dorothy Wimmer; his brothers, Glenn "Cotton" Pfeiffer, Kenny Pfeiffer, and infant brother Dwight Pfeiffer; and his granddaughters, Sara Pfeiffer and Jessica Williams.

Don is survived by his beloved wife, Bunny, of Alva; his children, Tom (Kim) Pfeiffer of Maize, Kansas; Dan (Lisa) Pfeiffer of Edmond; Donna Pfeiffer of

Edmond; Jim (Annette) Pfeiffer of Alva; Chere (Mark) Williams of Alva; and Dwight (Sherri) Pfeiffer of Estes Park, Colorado; his siblings, brother Alvin Pfeiffer and sisters Ruth Bratcher and Alice Deck; his grandchildren, Attie (Chadd) Pelnar, Daniel Pfeiffer, Maggie (Ben) Foster, Megan (Casey Kohler) Rickie, Kaitlin (Cody) Wheeler, Ashlyn (Justin) Pugh, Justin (Kirsten) Pfeiffer, Jacob (Madison) Williams, Jordan (Jay) Benson, and Madelyn Pfeiffer; and multiple great-grandchildren.

Memorial contributions may be made through the funeral home to the NWTC Foundation for an LPN Scholarship in memory of his granddaughter, Jessica Williams.

Cemetery Details

Sacred Heart Cemetery

Flynn and Skyline
Alva, OK 73717

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

JAN 20. 1:30 PM (CT)

Sacred Heart Catholic Church
627 12th Street
Alva, OK 73717

Tribute Wall

DE

“ Jimmy and family, so very sorry for your loss!

Denise Dunnigan Emmer - January 30 at 03:42 PM

CG

“ Craig and Denise Goodrich purchased the Southern Magnolia Tree for the family of Donald Dean Pfeiffer.



Craig and Denise Goodrich - January 24 at 04:10 PM

CG

“ Craig and Denise Goodrich planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Donald Dean Pfeiffer.

Craig and Denise Goodrich - January 24 at 04:10 PM

CE

“ Charlotte Edwards lit a candle in memory of Donald Dean Pfeiffer



Charlotte Edwards - January 21 at 04:27 PM

GK

“ Gregg/Donnell Glass & Kids purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Donald Dean Pfeiffer.



Gregg/Donnell Glass & Kids - January 20 at 11:27 AM

TT

“ Tara & Falynn Thomas purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Donald Dean Pfeiffer.



Tara & Falynn Thomas - January 20 at 08:35 AM

JB

“ John and Terri Bean purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Donald Dean Pfeiffer.



John and Terri Bean - January 19 at 09:51 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Donald Dean Pfeiffer.



January 19 at 09:01 PM

CG

“ Cory, Jennifer, Ashtyn, and Jayton Gibson planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Donald Dean Pfeiffer.

Cory, Jennifer, Ashtyn, and Jayton Gibson - January 19 at 09:01 PM



“ 1 file added to the album Video Tribute



Marshall Funeral Homes - January 19 at 08:49 PM

LN

What a wonderful video tribute to a great man. I enjoyed going down and visiting with Bunny and Don while they were still at home, and Uncle Don was always joking around and asking about all the family, especially Bill. The last two times I was at the Homestead, he was napping. I will miss his teasing and quick comebacks. God bless you, Uncle Don. ❤️🙏

Laura Nittler - January 19 at 10:07 PM

RT

That's a wonderful slideshow!! Uncle Don was always so nice and kind and he and Bunny raised some great kids that I get to call my cousins. ❤️❤️

Roberta Trent - January 19 at 10:18 PM

AH

I have many fond memories of this family when I was young...thanks for the slideshow...it was amazing

Anna Huffmaster - January 20 at 04:12 AM

RS

This is a wonderful tribute I so enjoyed hearing the music and seeing the pictures. It was crazy that he was born on January 18th and passed away on January 18th. It's like he completed the full cycle of life. Hugs to Bunny from your cousin

Roberta Cable Seymour - January 20 at 02:07 PM