



## Donald F. "Don" Gehrig

July 23, 1934 - October 6, 2022

Donald F. "Don" Gehrig, age 88 of Alhambra, IL, died Thursday, October 6, 2022, at Hitz Memorial Home in Alhambra, IL.

He was born on Monday, July 23, 1934, in East Saint Louis, IL, the son of Ehrhardt and Irma (nee Foster) Gehrig.

On Sunday, October 3, 1954, he married Virginia Ann (nee Riggs) Gehrig, who passed away February 17, 2019.

He was a member of Salem United Church of Christ, Greenville Country Club and Highland Country Club.

Don was raised in Edwardsville, and at the age of 16 he and his family moved to Alhambra. He graduated from Edwardsville High School in 1952. He played on the high school basketball team, playing on the 1951 State Championship team as the right guard and played on the high school baseball team, playing on the 1952 State Championship team as the left handed first baseman. He attended Bradley University business school. He then began working for his father at Gehrig's Store Company, Alhambra, IL. He spent 55 years at Gehrig's Store and a majority of the years he and his brother were the business owners and operators. He enjoyed golfing and loved being with family and friends.

Survivors include:

Son - Denis F. "Deny" Gehrig, Alhambra, IL

Son - Timothy R. "Tim" Gehrig, Highland, IL

Daughter - Elizabeth A. "Beth" (Carl) Potthast, Highland, IL

Grandchild - Kyle (Terrisa) Gehrig

Grandchild - Emily (Significant Other - Joshua Giedeman) Gehrig

Grandchild - Callie (Bubba) Caulk

Grandchild - Tiffany (Fiance - Mike Opfer) Potthast

Grandchild - Brad (Significant Other - Laci Hudson) Potthast (Twin)

Grandchild - Chad Potthast (Twin)

Grandchild - Tate (Fiance - Nathen Ferber) Gehrig

Great Grandchild - Kanon Gehrig

Great Grandchild - Brody Bruce

Great Grandchild - Rory Gehrig

Great Grandchild - Delayne Gehrig

Great Grandchild - Arlee Caulk

Brother - Kenneth W. "Ken" Gehrig, Alhambra, IL.

He was preceded in death by:

Father - Ehrhardt Fred Gehrig - Died 8/22/1991

Mother - Irma A. (nee Foster) Gehrig - Died 2/21/1991

Wife - Virginia A. "Ginny" (nee Riggs) Gehrig - Died 2/17/2019

Grandchild - Heather Ann Potthast - Died 4/15/2019

Great Grandchild - Dayne Gehrig - Stillborn 2/11/2012

Sister-In-Law - Virginia L. "Ginger" (nee Wayne) Gehrig - Died 3/12/2000.

Arrangements are being handled by Dauderman Mortuary in Alhambra, IL.

Visitation will be held from 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM on Thursday, October 13, 2022, at Salem United Church of Christ in Alhambra, IL.

Memorial Service will be at 11:00 AM on Thursday, October 13, 2022, at Salem United Church of Christ in Alhambra, IL, with Rev. Jeremy R. Wood, Pastor, officiating.

Interment will be at Salem Cemetery in Alhambra, IL.

Memorial contributions may be made to Salem United Church of Christ.

# Tribute Wall

RO

“ I went to high school 4 years with Don and then I attended and lived in the same apartment with Don at Bradley University in Peoria Illinois. We also went many times rabbit hunting through his family farms in Alhambra, was nice man and a full-fledged gentleman

Richard Oesterle - October 20, 2022 at 05:08 PM

DM

“ To you all in your time of grief and sorrow I wish you peace and precious memories of Don. He truly enjoyed life and his family. He will be missed.  
Don and Iris Miller

Don and Iris Miller - October 16, 2022 at 09:02 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Donald F. "Don" Gehrig.



October 10, 2022 at 02:49 PM

DS

“ I am so sorry for your loss. I pray for comfort in the days ahead.

Dawn Stillwagon - October 10, 2022 at 11:29 AM

LJ

“ Deny, Tim and Beth so sorry for your loss. Brian and I thought the world of your dad. Brian and Linda Jakel

Linda S Jakel - October 10, 2022 at 11:25 AM

AR

“ Deny, Tim and Beth and families I will always cherish all the memories of your Dad. He was more than a first cousin, he was a brother to me in so many ways. He was always a blessing to me and my family and will not be forgotten. Love to everyone! Ann

Ann E Reiter - October 09, 2022 at 02:45 PM

CD

“ We send our sympathies to all the Gehrig family. We have many happy memories of fun times on Hilton Head Isl with your family. Don is with his sweet Ginny

Cheryl Duren - October 08, 2022 at 04:20 PM

JK

“ I have known Don Gehrig for my entire life. He was and is a huge Cardinals and Blues fan. He was one of my favorite people. I totally enjoyed visiting with him and talking to him on the phone. I miss him already but now he is with his other loved ones that he also missed dearly. Julie King

Julie King - October 08, 2022 at 11:04 AM

RK

“ You have our deepest sympathy,  
Robert and JoAn Kakac.

Robert & JoAn Kakac - October 07, 2022 at 09:00 PM

VH

“ He always had a good smile when I come in to the store a long time ago. May he rest in peace. Love Vivian Hosto

Vivian Lee Hosto - October 07, 2022 at 07:38 PM