



## Donald Edward Thorne

January 10, 1944 - December 20, 2023

Livestream link: <https://vimeo.com/event/3984679>

Donald (Don) Edward Thorne Sr., aged 79, passed away on December 23, 2023. He was a beloved Husband, father, grand-father, great grandfather and friend who will be deeply missed by all who knew him.

Don was born on January 10, 1944 to Mizell and Lela Thorne in Bastrop, where he spent his formative years with his siblings Walter Sr (Richard) and Gwendolyn, He went on to attend and graduate from Emile High School.

He began a career with AAFES (Army and Airforce Exchange Service) in military sales where he was employed for 33 years after retiring in 1993 at the age of 48. Throughout his career, he was known for his hard work, dedication and passion for helping others. After retirement, Don began working for his family business "Thorne Trucking". He was self employed for 20 years then retired again after working with his sons for several years.

Don was a devoted husband and father. Don and Adell began dating his Jr year of high school and they have been together since. He married his High School sweetheart November 3, 1961. He adored his wife and through their union of 62 years, three children were born, Donald Edward Jr., Debra Rene, John Philip. Don loved spending time with his children, educating them on life

and automobiles. He was always there to offer guidance, support, and encouragement, no matter what challenges they faced. He carried this same attitude on to his relationships with his grand-children, and great-grandchildren.

In his free time, Don enjoyed fishing, tinkering on cars and trucks, watching game shows, playing bingo, traveling, visiting the casino, enjoying good food, watching the Dallas Cowboys and tending to the animals. He was an active member in his family church. He served as a trustee, treasurer, sang in the choir, and was a major inspiration for the building of the current church.

Don is preceded in death by his parents Mizell and Lela, his sibling Samuel, brother in law Pete, son Donald Jr and grandson Quentin. He is survived by his loving wife, Adell, siblings, Doris Jean, Gwendolyn, Walter Sr. (Inez), children, Debra (Gerald), and John (Deflora), a daughter in law, Rosemary, grandchildren, Raynard (Shalanda), Doneyelle, Donald III (Nakisha), Gerlicia (Joseph), and John Jr. (Kathleen), great-grandchildren Dontavier, Iyanna, Rayshad, Koriana, Samya, Kalicia, Dylan, Denym, Jireh, Jezeniah, Gabrielle and Nelia Greene (Walter) a cousin who was considered a sister. His memory will be cherished by all.

# Cemetery Details

## Fairview Cemetery

Bastrop, TX

# Previous Events

## Public Visitation

DEC 29. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

Mt. Rose Missionary Baptist Church  
507 Toliver Street  
Bastrop, TX 78602

## Public Visitation

DEC 30. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

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## Celebration Service

DEC 30. 11:00 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

WF

“ With love - The Blackwell & Cantu family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Donald Edward Thorne.

With love - The Blackwell & Cantu family - December 28, 2023 at 07:15 PM

WF

“ With love - The Blackwell & Cantu family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Donald Edward Thorne.



With love - The Blackwell & Cantu family - December 28, 2023 at 07:15 PM

HF

“ Herman Small and Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Donald Edward Thorne.

Herman Small and Family - December 28, 2023 at 08:05 AM

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“ Herman Small and Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Donald Edward Thorne.



Herman Small and Family - December 28, 2023 at 08:05 AM

CM

“ *CHARLES C McDonald lit a candle in memory of Donald Edward Thorne*



CHARLES C McDonald - December 27, 2023 at 09:51 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Donald Edward Thorne.*



December 27, 2023 at 07:32 PM

PJ

“ *My thoughts and Prayers go out to the family.*



Paula Jefferson - December 26, 2023 at 11:47 AM



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Donald Edward Thorne.*



December 24, 2023 at 01:31 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Donald Edward Thorne.*



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December 23, 2023 at 01:41 PM



“ *My sincere condolences for the Thorne Family. I pray that God brings you comfort during your hours of bereavement. Cherish the memories for he will always be in your hearts.*

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**Sue Williams** - December 23, 2023 at 11:18 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Donald Edward Thorne.*



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December 22, 2023 at 04:49 PM



“ *BCOC pastors and staff planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Donald Edward Thorne.*

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**BCOC pastors and staff** - December 22, 2023 at 01:29 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Donald Edward Thorne.*



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December 22, 2023 at 01:29 PM



“ *Nelia Kerr Greene lit a candle in memory of Donald Edward Thorne*



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**Nelia Kerr Greene** - December 21, 2023 at 10:25 AM



“ *Sending our condolences to the family. I know that Don will be greatly missed. Only God knows best.*

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**Jerrie Burns** - December 21, 2023 at 09:37 AM