



## Donald Carl Scharringhausen

June 2, 1928 - March 11, 2023

Donald Carl Scharringhausen was born on June 2, 1928 in Des Moines, Illinois to Paul and Marinette Scharringhausen, and died on March 11, 2023.

Don was preceded in death by his first wife, Shirley Spencer Scharringhausen and son, Douglas Paul Scharringhausen.

He is survived by his wife, Cheryl Diane Scharringhausen, his children, Donald Spencer Scharringhausen, Aaron DuMar, and Laura Eyhorn, his grandchildren, Schon Kuo, Timothy Gross, Nicola Scharringhausen, Douglas Scharringhausen, Emma Bullock, John Eyhorn, and Laura Anne DuMar, and his great grandchildren, Brooke Gross, Allie Gross, and Audrey Gross.

Don received his Bachelors in Journalism degree from the University of Chicago which also included an exchange program where he studied at the University of Heidelberg, Germany. After school he served his country in the Army as Lieutenant and artillery commander.

His career landed him at Texas Instruments where he worked in many

marketing roles including leader of the consumer products division. He retired as Director Worldwide Marketing and Communication after 35 years of service.

After retirement he continued his service to the community including leading the development of an underprivileged children's recreation facility in Richardson, TX, and serving as president of the Kiwanis Club of Plano and Kiwanis Club of Fort Worth.

Don was an active sportsman. He enjoyed deer and quail hunting and fishing. He was always a devoted Dallas Cowboys fan.

Don was a faithful Christian who attended church, even in his last days, attending First United Methodist Church of Fort Worth by webinar.

Visitation will begin at 12:30 p.m. with a Celebration of Life service at 1:30 p.m. on Saturday, March 18, 2023 at Joseph J. Earthman Generations, 234 Westcott Street, Houston, Texas .

The Rite of Committal will follow at 3:00 p.m. at Memorial Oaks Cemetery in Houston, Texas.

# Tribute Wall

“ A final goodbye to a great human being, ...

*He was my boss at TI for decades of my professional life. But, more importantly, a truly inspiring friend, my role model, teacher, inspiration, and wonderful guide in my international career at Texas Instruments.*

*He contributed to everything I accomplished with advice and action in an exemplary and humble but determined manner.*

*I loved him for the, at times, satirical sense of humor, his wonderful way of giving orders, which we never carried out with pleasure, the discipline he demanded, and the motivating rewards he gave out of his great cornucopia for quick and on-target achievements.*

*I remember our wonderful evenings at his home, discussing the world; the exciting games at the Dallas Cowboys, which he took me to for the first time in my life; the skiing weekend in the Bavarian alps with him and Kolja, my at that time only 10-year-old son, and more and so much more. I'll never forget one of his best pieces of advice one warm summer evening at his pool: "Son, buy land. They ain't gonna make it anymore."*

*He was my role model, teacher, inspiration, and wonderful guide when I had problems. Everything I accomplished, he contributed to it with advice and action in an exemplary and humble but determined manner.*

*He made me what I am today.  
And for that, I will always be grateful to him.*

*Hermann J. Portner,  
with family Irene, Kolja & Julia  
Villeneuve Loubet, (Nice)  
France*