



# Donald Dean Walker

DEC 15, 1936 - NOV 24, 2024



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**D**onald Dean Walker, 87, of Niantic, Illinois, passed away November 24, 2024, at Decatur Memorial Hospital.

Donald was born in Decatur, Illinois, on December 15, 1936, the son of Haven and Ruth (Chenoweth) Walker. He married Eleanor Berbaum on May 28, 1961, in Cerro Gordo, Illinois. Donald was an electrician with IBEW 146 for 34 years and worked for Bodine Electric from 1967 to 1991. He loved farming, fishing, and big game hunting. After retiring, he raised quail and pheasants to hunt with his friends and family. Farming with his partner Don Brunner was another source of enjoyment for him.

Don attended Niantic United Methodist Church. He adored his wife and treasured their 63 years together. He loved his family and cherished the time he spent with them. His grandchildren and great-grandchildren gave him great joy, and he took great pride in raising the next generation of hunters.

Don is survived by his wife Eleanor of Niantic, IL; sons Brian K. (Lorrie) Walker of Geneva, IL and Steven R. (Tanya) Walker of Springfield, IL; brother Roy C. Walker of Decatur, IL; sisters Alice Bray of Decatur, IL, and Maybelle J. Williams of Chillicothe, IL; grandchildren Colton (Katie) Walker, Jeslynn (Justin) Ancona, Jake (Abby) Ballenger, Anna Ballenger, Tyler (Elise) Walker, Chase (Lynzey) Walker, and Grace (Evan) Roberts; great-grandchildren Micah, Wyatt, Olivia, Charlie Ann, Owen, and Jack; and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents; grandparents; brothers William "Red" Walker, Haven "Shorty" Walker Jr., and Joe Walker; and sister Betty Tolladay.

Visitation for Donald will be from 4pm to 6pm on Friday, November 29, at Graceland Fairlawn Funeral Home. A funeral service will be held at 10am on Saturday, November 30, also at the funeral home. Entombment at Graceland Cemetery will follow the service. Memorials may be directed to Niantic United Methodist Church or donor's choice. Condolences may be shared with the family at [www.gracelandfairlawn.com](http://www.gracelandfairlawn.com).



# Events

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## Visitation

- Friday**, November 29, 2024
- 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM CT
- Graceland Fairlawn Funeral Home**  
2091 N. Oakland Avenue, Decatur IL 62526



## Funeral Service

- Saturday**, November 30, 2024
- 10:00 AM CT
- Graceland Fairlawn Funeral Home**  
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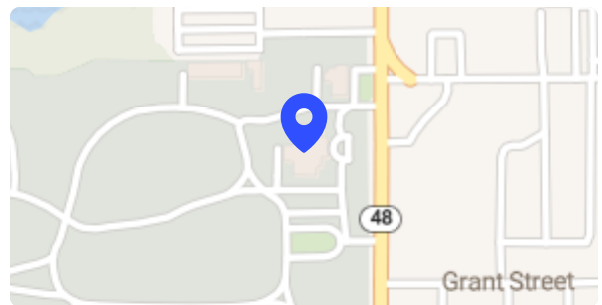
## Entombment

- Saturday**, November 30, 2024
- Graceland Cemetery**  
2091 N. Oakland Avenue, Decatur IL 62526



## Cemetery Details

- Graceland Cemetery**  
2091 N. Oakland Avenue, Decatur IL 62526
- (217) 615-0724**





# Tribute Wall

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**Graceland Fairlawn** shared a **Video**.



November 27 at 10:12 AM



**Ramona St Pierre** December 29 at 2:31 PM

Sorry to hear of your loss. I didn't know til Mary just told me. I had pneumonia Thanksgiving week, just getting over it. You are in my prayers.



**Anonymous** sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Walker family.



November 29 at 9:37 AM



**Loretta B.** planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Donald.



November 29 at 5:35 AM



**Kim B.** planted a grove of 3 Memorial Trees in honor of Donald.



November 28 at 5:14 AM



**Jerry & Quita And Steve & Shannon** sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Walker family.



November 27 at 12:03 PM



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**Walker** sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Walker family.

November 26 at 4:50 PM



**All The "Slifer Families"** sent a Sunny Memories to the Walker family.

November 26 at 1:11 PM



**All The "Slifer Families"** planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Donald.

November 26 at 1:11 PM



**The Brunner Family** sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Walker family.

November 26 at 12:45 PM



**Jeff And Tami Gaither And Family** sent a Fiery Lily and Rose to the Walker family.

November 26 at 9:36 AM



**Anonymous** sent a Peaceful White Lilies Basket to the Walker family.

November 26 at 5:58 AM





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**Anonymous** planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Donald.



November 26 at 5:58 AM



**Anonymous** sent a Lavender Reflections Spray to the Walker family.



November 26 at 5:55 AM



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## **Memories only last if you share them**

Join us in honoring Donald by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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