



## Don Kizziar

May 28, 1937 - August 22, 2025

Don Kizziar, beloved husband, father, grandfather, great grandfather, and friend passed away peacefully on the morning of Aug. 22, 2025 and is now in the presence of his Savior. Don was born on May 28, 1937 in Dallas, Texas to Al and Lula Mae Kizziar. He is joyfully reunited in Heaven with family members including his parents, infant brother George Lane Kizziar, and sisters, Wanda Lee and June Rohne.

Don grew up in Dallas, attended DISD primary and middle schools and graduated from Woodrow Wilson High School. Don also served in the US Army Reserves. He attended Howard Payne University in Brownwood, Texas but returned to Dallas just one semester away from receiving his bachelor's degree when his father became ill and Don was needed to help his family. Don eventually went to work with Great American Reserve Life Insurance Company (later known as JC Penney Life Insurance). Don's talent for analyzing customer needs and his ability to effectively interact with both customers and colleagues helped him become an indispensable asset to the company. While at Great American, Don met the woman who would capture his heart; a beautiful young lady named Edna and on June 11, 1966, Edna and Don were married at First Baptist Church in Terrell. For the next 59 years, they would build a life together and have two children, Lisa and Scott. In 1972, Don and Edna purchased Edna's childhood home in Terrell and the family relocated. After working 25 years, Don retired from JC Penney and devoted

his time to his family and his church community. All his life, Don loved spending time with family and friends as well as golfing and bowling. He was an active and longtime member of First Baptist Church of Terrell where he was ordained as a Deacon and served in numerous ministries and on several committees, including serving as Chairman of the Deacons several times. Don's work experience and integrity also enabled him to be a Church Teller for many years assisting with the collection and safeguarding of weekly tithes and donations from church members. Don's love of the Lord was always evident by his devotion to his family and his service to others. His welcoming smile at worship and at church events helped everyone feel right at home. Don had a friendly and easygoing personality and visits with him were never long enough for everyone who knew him. Every conversation was filled equally with wisdom and a great sense of fun.

He will forever be remembered as a man who treasured his family, loved his friends and honored his Lord and Don will be greatly missed and never forgotten.

He leaves his legacy to be continued by his wife, Edna Kizziar; his daughter, Lisa Gonzalez and husband, Manuel; his son, Scott Kizziar and wife, Melanie; grandchildren: Leslie Finger and husband, Billy, Shelby Rudolph and husband, Parker and Tommy Mitchell; great granddaughter, Lily Rudolph and two expected great grandchildren, along with many nieces, nephews, extended family, FBC church family and a host of friends.

Funeral service will be at 11:00am, Tuesday, Aug. 26, 2025 at First Baptist Church in Terrell with Don's family receiving friends from 10:00am until service time. A private committal service will follow at Oakland Memorial Park. For those wishing, memorials may be sent to FBC Terrell Children's Ministry at <https://fbcterrell.org/give>.



# Cemetery Details

## Oakland Memorial Park

1000 W. Moore Avenue  
Terrell, TX 75160

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG **26**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

First Baptist Church of Terrell  
403 N. Catherine  
Terrell, TX 75160  
<http://www.fbcterrell.org>

## Funeral Service

AUG **26**. 11:00 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ Terry, Misty and Wendy purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Don Kizziar.



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Terry, Misty and Wendy - August 27, 2025 at 11:28 AM



“ Terry, Misty and Wendy planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Don Kizziar.

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“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Don Kizziar.



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August 25, 2025 at 08:09 PM



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CW

“ *Cindy Walker purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Don Kizziar.*



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**Cindy Walker** - August 25, 2025 at 04:16 PM



“ *Days of Sunshine Bouquet was purchased for the family of Don Kizziar.*



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August 25, 2025 at 03:12 PM

MF

“ *Magdi Forrester purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Don Kizziar.*



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**Magdi Forrester** - August 25, 2025 at 01:52 PM

TM

“ *Teresa and Misti purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Don Kizziar.*



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**Teresa and Misti** - August 25, 2025 at 12:53 PM



“ *Your Friends at MedPro Group purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Don Kizziar.*



**Your Friends at MedPro Group** - August 25, 2025 at 10:49 AM



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Don Kizziar.*



August 24, 2025 at 08:44 PM



“ *Dear Edna and family, I am so sorry to hear this news. I know how much love and memories you and Don shared over the years and how tenderly you cared for him when he became ill. What a great legacy he has left and may you all be comforted by our Lord Jesus as you navigate through this. Hugs, prayers and love, Lanna Richards*

**Lanna Richards** - August 23, 2025 at 11:53 PM



“ *Mike and Debbie Leslie purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Don Kizziar.*



**Mike and Debbie Leslie** - August 23, 2025 at 06:58 PM

MM

“ *Edna, I am so sorry about the loss of your husband. You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers. God bless. Margaret Matura*

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**Margaret Matura** - August 23, 2025 at 06:20 PM

AR

“ *Avon and Martha Miller, Mark and Rachael purchased the Enduring Grace for the family of Don Kizziar.*



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**Avon and Martha Miller, Mark and Rachael** - August 23, 2025 at 03:11 PM

CW

“ Dear Edna, Lisa, and Scott

*In Lamentations 3:22-23 the Bible says . . .*

*22 Because of the Lord's great love*

*we are not consumed,*

*for his compassions never fail.*

*23 They are new every morning;*

*great is your faithfulness.*

*Find comfort in the spoken words of family and friends.*

*Uncle Don was a great man who touched the hearts and lives of many people.*

*Listen as their words create a tapestry of memories depicting a life well-lived. Hold those memories close in your heart.*

*Awaken to each new day knowing that Uncle Don's legacy lives on through those who knew him and loved him dearly.*

*Know that Uncle Don is at peace and is in the company of angels.*

*May God grant you all grace, mercy, peace, joy and love in the days ahead.*

*Big Hug!*

*Cathy & Carol*



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Cathy Webb - August 23, 2025 at 11:02 AM

LC

“ Ms. Edna and family - I am so sorry to hear of Don's passing. I worked with Don for years at JCPenney (Aegon) where he took me under his wing. We bonded over his grandson, Tommy, being about the same age as my son, Blake. We always shared stories and pictures of them and I so enjoyed those times. Whenever I would share with him that Blake was always in the very low percentile for size and that I was worried, he would always tell me, "Blake is just right for Blake" and "Blake is right where he should be". Those words helped so much with my worrying as a first time mom! And he was exactly right! Don was always so kind to me and such a dear friend. You could tell how much he loved his family by the way he lit up when talking about you. I know you are comforted knowing he is home with the Lord. Prayers and hugs to you.

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**Lisa Connell** - August 22, 2025 at 10:32 PM

RR

“ Although I know at such a time there's little anyone can say but Edna I want you to know that you are in my thoughts and prayers as you navigate through the next couple of days. Also prayers for Lisa and Scott and their families. It's never easy for those left behind, but when you lose someone may it help to know how many people share your sorrow and stand with you in this time of need.

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**Rose Marie Rohne** - August 22, 2025 at 08:31 PM

EK

Praying for your family. Love you guys. ❤️❤️🙏🙏

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**Elaine Kasper** - August 23, 2025 at 11:22 AM

BR

“ Big Hug! Cathy, Carol, and Roger purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Don Kizziar.



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**Big Hug! Cathy, Carol, and Roger** - August 22, 2025 at 07:31 PM

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SJ

“ Prayers for you Mrs. Edna. I remember the years living next door to you and working with you at Terrell ISD. WE know Mr. Don is enjoying the presence of the Lord, and especially pray for you to be strengthened by Our Lord as you walk the days ahead.

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**Sharon Kay Jackson** - August 22, 2025 at 07:07 PM

MB

“ Edna, know that I am praying for you for strength to carry you through this time. Don doesn't need our prayers, he is with our Lord.

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**Mary Barganier** - August 22, 2025 at 06:45 PM

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**Rose Marie Rohne** - August 22, 2025 at 08:29 PM