



## Donald E. Hughes

September 26, 1934 - January 31, 2026

Donald Hughes, 91, of Lakes of the Four Seasons, passed away peacefully on January 31, 2026. He was born on September 26, 1934, in Chicago, Illinois to his late mother, Martha and father, Robert Hughes, as one of five siblings. Donald attended Hearsh High School and later graduated from the Chicago Police Academy. Don retired in 1993, after 37 years of service as a Chicago Police Sergeant. After retirement, you could still find him “patrolling” his neighborhood and checking in on all his family, friends, and neighbors for enjoyment. In 1958 Don married the love of his life Irene (Brandmayr). They built a wonderful life together with their two kids Donny Hughes and Kelli Radjenovich. Don and Irene liked to travel to Arizona, where they enjoyed the relaxation of retirement with friends and family. Don was a member of the Cross of Christ Lutheran Church, and The American Legion POST 1102.

Don was preceded in death by his beloved son, Donny Hughes. He is survived by his forever love and wife, Irene (nee Brandmayr) Hughes; daughter, Kelli (Mirko) Radjenovich; grandchildren, Henry Hughes, Stevo, Katie, and Nikko Radjenovich; and great-grandchild, Hayley, among many other nieces and nephews.

Friends and family are invited for a visitation from 2 p.m. until the time of the funeral service at 6 p.m. on Saturday, February 7, 2026, at Burns Funeral Home & Crematory, 10101 Broadway, Crown Point, IN. [www.burnsfuneral.co](http://www.burnsfuneral.co)

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# Cemetery Details

## Oakland Memory Lanes

Dolton, IL

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 7. 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM (cst)

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## Funeral Service

FEB 7. 6:00 PM (cst)

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# Tribute Wall

JB

“ I just learned of Don's passing. I knew Don since I was little he worked for my dad, Tom Bowler. The memories, OMG. He was the greatest wheelman I ever knew. All the years of going to the old Chicago Stadium or Soldier Field Don would say park right here. Don was family as was his older brother Bob. My mom and dad and all of my brothers and sisters loved Don. RIP 🕊

John Bowler - April 27 at 08:20 PM

AF

“ Kelli, Irene and family, saddened to hear this news. Our sincerest condolences in your hour of grief. Our prayers and thoughts go out to you all.



Ana & John Bekelya and family - February 06 at 05:53 PM



“ Sacred Duty Spray was purchased for the family of Donald E. Hughes.



February 06 at 01:52 PM

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“ Great man old school BLUE , rest in peace SARGE, OUR PRAYERS TO KELLY AND THE REST OF THE FAMILY.

The Hanley's - February 06 at 01:27 PM



“ Enduring Grace was purchased for the family of Donald E. Hughes.



February 06 at 12:19 PM



“ From Jeff Carr and Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Donald E. Hughes.

From Jeff Carr and Family - February 06 at 12:19 PM



“ Enduring Grace was purchased for the family of Donald E. Hughes.



February 05 at 04:32 PM



“ Family of Marianne Murray & Liz Kapovich planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Donald E. Hughes.

Family of Marianne Murray & Liz Kapovich - February 05 at 04:32 PM



“ Barb Rice and Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Donald E. Hughes.

Barb Rice and Family - February 05 at 10:56 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Donald E. Hughes.*



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February 05 at 10:56 AM



“ *Donna Perak purchased the Simply Elegant Spat hiphyllum for the family of Donald E. Hughes.*



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**Donna Perak** - February 04 at 09:07 PM



“ *So sorry my condolences to the whole family. May he R.I.P.. I remember when they were building the house on the corner of 98th Exchange*

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**Simo Dimic** - February 04 at 06:44 PM



“ *So very sorry for your loss. Hugs and prayers to the family.*

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**Jela Djukic** - February 04 at 03:33 PM



“ *Kelli and Mrs. Hughes, Mr. Hughes was always so kind to Ned and all of the family. We will be out of town and so sorry will be missing his services. We were so fond of Mr. Hughes. Memory Eternal ❤️*

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**Laura Radjenovich** - February 04 at 05:40 AM

GY

“ My Condolence’s to Mrs Hughes and entire family. My thoughts and prayers are with you at such a difficult time. Knew Mr Hughes since I was a young kid always a hello and how you doing.  
George Yekich

George Yekich - February 03 at 03:48 PM



“ Uncle Don was a great guy. Enjoyed the times together in AZ Greatest sense of humor and White Sox days. Condolences to his family Loveyou all!

Jack Radavich - February 03 at 03:45 PM

MM

“ Thank you for all the memories and your support meant the world to me growing up back in the day. I can always count on you and Mrs. Hughes. Rest peacefully 💔

Mike and Margie McCarthy

Margaret mccarthy - February 03 at 03:22 PM

TB

I knew Don since I was a kid. He would plow the snow at Vets Park so we could play hockey. A wonderful guy and CPD Sgt. Rest in peace

thomas j banich - February 05 at 03:41 PM

MG

“ I will miss your forever sarge 🥺💔 Brandywine will never be the same

Mikey Gilmartin - February 03 at 03:03 PM