



Donovan "Teb" Tebbe Ginger

December 6, 1951 - January 25, 2026

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Donovan "Teb" Ginger, 74, of Omaha, Nebraska, passed away peacefully on January 25, 2026. Teb was born to Don and Pat Ginger on December 6, 1951, in Shenandoah, Iowa. After Don took a job with MidAmerican Energy, the family moved to Essex, where Teb attended school. He graduated from Essex High School in 1970, where he participated in football, basketball, baseball, concert and marching band, chorus and boys glee.

After graduation, Teb attended Iowa Western and then Dana College, where he earned a bachelor's degree in science, physical education, and secondary education, while competing in football and baseball.

At his core, Teb was an educator. He spent more than 20 years teaching and coaching. Notably, his time at Paul VI and Valley Public Schools often resulted in someone approaching him anywhere around Omaha with a cheerful, "Hi, Coach!" He began his career at Valley as the Athletic Director and Assistant Principal and later became Principal.

After leaving Valley, Teb worked for CenturyLink, helping residential customers troubleshoot their internet connections. In semi-retirement, he worked as a bartender at El Bees Restaurants in both Waterloo and Millard. There, he

made many new friends and, more importantly, continued connecting with people in the community and former students. He was quick with a joke—or a Google search—if you asked a question he didn't know the answer to.

While Teb was an educator at heart, his love language was food. Taquitos, soups, chicken strips, and cavatini were some of his staples; if he cooked, you left with a full stomach and an armful of leftovers. Teb was preceded in death by his mother, Patsy Mondt Ginger; his father, Donovan Joseph Ginger; and his sister, Donna Lea Schaefer. He is survived by his wife, Beth; children Erin Peters, Kirsten Ginger, Courtney (Travis) Berglund, Joshua (Tiffinie Randall) Fedde, Lucas Fedde, and Matthew Ginger; grandchildren Carson Peters, Cameron Peters, Graham Peters, Jaxon Berglund, Ella Berglund, and Cooper Berglund; his sister, Rita (Terry) Thomas; and many extended family members.

In lieu of flowers, family suggests Memorials to St. Patrick's Catholic Church or to Creighton Prep

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB **26**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Reichmuth Funeral Home - Omaha / Elkhorn
21901 W. Maple Rd.
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Vigil service

FEB **26**. 7:00 PM (CT)

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Mass of the Christian Burial

FEB **27**. 10:30 AM (CT)

St. Patrick's Catholic Church
18602 W. Maple Street
Elkhorn, NE 68022

Tribute Wall



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Donovan "Teb" Tebbe Ginger.*



February 26 at 09:52 AM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Donovan "Teb" Tebbe Ginger.*



February 25 at 12:05 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Donovan "Teb" Tebbe Ginger.*



February 24 at 09:02 AM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Donovan "Teb" Tebbe Ginger.*

February 24 at 09:02 AM

VH

“ My sympathy to Tebbe's family. I was a student under Tebbe's time at VHS and he was an inspiring leader. His faith showed via action. May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace 🙏.

Vicki Heeren - February 07 at 09:27 AM

JS

“ Teb was such a great guy, and a very caring administrator. I have many wonderful memories working with him!

JoAnn Stevens - January 31 at 02:11 PM

GC

“ I have had the opportunity to know Teb since I moved to Valley in 1989. I came to Valley as the new elementary principal and worked with Teb on the administrative team. As the high school principal, Teb helped me in my new role to learn about Valley Public Schools and the staff, students, parents, and community we served. Teb will be remembered as a person who cared about others. He had a positive attitude and great sense of humor. He became a life long friend to Nancy, our 3 sons, and me. He will be missed but fond memories of our 36 years will remain. We pray for peace and comfort for his family.

George Conrad - January 27 at 11:05 AM

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“ A good friend. A good administrator. A good coach. Teb was my friend since 1980. We bet a lot of horses, we close a lot of bars, we laugh a lot. I will miss him. Nick

Nick Modrcin - January 26 at 03:23 PM