



Gaylord Ray Flaming

February 1, 1944 - October 20, 2025

OMAHA, Nebraska – Former Paxton resident Gaylord Ray Flaming, 81, passed away in his Omaha residence on October 20, 2025, after a two-year battle with leukemia.

He was born on February 1, 1944 in Grant, Nebraska. Gaylord was married to his Paxton High School sweetheart, Lana Anderson, for fifty-nine years. After graduating from Tabor College in 1966, Gaylord started his IT career at Boeing Company in Wichita, Kansas. He worked there for two years before relocating to Omaha where he worked for Fairmont Foods for seven years. Gaylord began working for Northern Natural Gas in 1977. However, when employees began transferring to Houston, he transitioned back to supporting the Gas Purchase System and became an employee of EDS for ten years before going back to Enron. Following Enron's collapse in 2001, he transitioned to Oneok where he finished his career. Gaylord continued his employment as a consultant with Oneok even after his retirement. He loved working and was known as a “worker bee.”

Gaylord loved the Lord and loved to serve others whether it was as an usher at church, helping someone move, or doing yard care. Mowing the yard was not a chore; it was a hobby. When his children were young, he started a family lawncare business building up to over 100 yards a week. Eventually he sold the business keeping some of his own accounts, which he continued to mow

for many more years. Gaylord was known for his frugal ways leading to many funny stories. He also loved camping, hiking in the mountains, watching Nebraska volleyball, and spending time with family.

He is survived by his wife, Lana Flaming; two daughters RoGene Bays (Chris) and Becky LaFave (Mike), a son Scott Flaming (Heidi); four grandsons Zach LaFave (Keirsten), Haven and Aslan Flaming, Garrett Bays; four granddaughters Kylee Bays, Isabelle LaFave, Alana and Francesca Flaming, all in Omaha; three sisters Beverly Larsen (Gib) of North Platte, Sherolyn Watt (Larry) of Upton, Wyoming, Carol Nelson (Steve) of Ogallala; one brother Randy Flaming of Paxton; nieces, nephews and extended family.

Gaylord was preceded in death by his parents, Ed and Mary Ann Flaming; brother Dale Flaming of Paxton, Nebraska.

Visitation will be Sunday, October 26, 2025 at 1:00 at Reichmuth Funeral Home, 21901W. Maple Road, Elkhorn, Nebraska. Celebration of Life will be at 2:00 at the same location. A family graveside service will be held on Monday, October 27, 2025. Cards and memorials may be sent to Lana Flaming at 1210 Ranch View Lane, Elkhorn, NE 68022. All memorials will be donated to St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital.

Previous Events

Visitation with family

OCT **26**. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Reichmuth Funeral Home - Omaha / Elkhorn
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Celebration of Life Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *What a kind, patient, helpful, wonderful man! Fly HIGH Gaylord to the arms of God, know Gaylord, your family & you are in my thoughts & prayers, Marge Shade*

Marjorie Shade - November 03, 2025 at 11:14 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Gaylord Ray Flaming.*



October 26, 2025 at 11:21 AM