



## Donald Neil Sherman

July 1, 1935 - September 24, 2016

Donald Neil Sherman (Don) was born in Lexington, OK on July 1, 1935 to May and Neil Sherman. He died on September 24, 2016 at Norman Regional Hospital. Growing up in Purcell, Don graduated from Purcell High School in 1953. He attended the University of Oklahoma where he was a member of Lambda Chi Alpha Fraternity and graduated with a BBA in Finance in 1957. At OU he met his wife, Mary. They have been married for fifty-eight years. Don and Mary lived in Purcell until 1992 when they moved to Norman, their current home. They have a daughter, Elizabeth of Dallas; a son, Donald, and his wife, Carmel, of Purcell and two grandchildren, Katelynne Sherman Yow and husband Mike of Broken Arrow, and Neil Sherman of Tulsa. He is also survived by three nephews, Steve Sherman and his wife, Tracey; James Sherman and his wife, Leslie of South Haven, KS; Scott Angus of St. Louis, MO and a niece, Kristen Best and her husband Steve of Chevy Chase, MD; his brother-in-law Larry Angus and his wife, Gloria of Denver, Co. He was predeceased by his parents, James Neil Sherman and May Mantooth Sherman and his brother, Jim Sherman. He served on active duty with the United State Army from 1958-60 and again in 1961/62 when his reserve unit was called to active duty due to the construction of the Berlin Wall. A banker for 59 years, Don Sherman was the Chairman of the Board of McClain Bank, a family owned bank, headquartered in Purcell, OK with branches in Norman and Noble. Until his retirement in March of this year, he was CEO. Don was a Past Member of the Purcell School Board, and a Board Member of the Purcell

Hospital, and Past President of the Purcell Chamber of Commerce. He was currently a Trustee of the Norman Regional Hospital Authority and Chaired the Quality and Safety Committee. He was a member of the Sooner Rotary Club, was a past president of the Purcell Rotary Club, and is a Paul Harris Fellow. Don is a past president of the Norman Arts Council, Cleveland County YMCA, the Jacobson House Native American Art Center, the OU Alumni Club of Cleveland County, Cleveland County Chapter of the American Cancer Society, Mary Abbott House, Brookhaven Square 3&4 Homeowners Association and Junior Achievement of Oklahoma City He has also served on the Boards of the Neighbor Service Organization of Oklahoma City Board, the Oklahoma Bankers Association and Price College of Business Board of Visitors at the University of Oklahoma, the national Educational Foundation of Lambda Chi Alpha Fraternity. He was the Co-Chair of the Lambda Chi Alpha Capital Campaign for Gamma Rho Zeta Chapter at OU and a member of the Sigma Phi Building Corporation. Three different times he was been named the outstanding volunteer at the Cleveland County YMCA, received the OU Regent's Alumni Award, and received the Order of Merit from Lambda Chi Alpha Fraternity which is the highest honor given nationally. Don was a gifted artist whose paintings were vibrant and colorful. He was a lifelong Methodist with memberships in Trinity UMC of Purcell, Bridge View UMC in Norman, and currently a member of McFarlin United Methodist Church. Memorials may be made to the OU Foundation, 100 W. Timberdell Road, Norman, OK 73019 for the Lambda Chi Alpha Don Sherman Brotherhood Scholarship. Celebration of Life Services are scheduled for 3:00 P.M. Tuesday, September 27, 2016, at the McFarlin Memorial United Methodist Church in Norman with a Reception immediately following.