



Daniel W. Dwiggins

August 31, 1927 - June 28, 2025

Daniel W. Dwiggins, age 97 of Kearney, formerly Gibbon, passed away peacefully on June 28, 2025, at Wel-Life in Kearney. A memorial service will be held August 4, 2025 at 10:30 AM at the Gibbon Valley View Golf Course north of Gibbon. Memorials are suggested to the Gibbon Heritage Center. Please visit www.hlmkfuneral.com to leave a tribute or message of condolence. Horner Lieske McBride & Kuhl Funeral and Cremation Services in Kearney are in charge of arrangements.

Dan was born in Gibbon, Nebraska on 8/31/1927, the youngest of three children born to David and Iva (Smith) Dwiggins. He graduated from Gibbon High School in 1945. After serving in the U.S. Navy, he and Catherine "Kae" Diers were married in 1947. They enjoyed 66 happy years together until Kae's passing in 2014. Dan was a longtime farmer/rancher north of Gibbon, and a passionate gardener. He especially enjoyed gardening and spending days in his later years with his dear friend, Joy Livingston. He served on the school board, REA board, Central Nebraska Cooperative board, and was a member of the Gibbon American Legion and the Methodist church.

Dan is preceded in death by his parents and wife, brother David, Jr. and sister Bee Mercer, his daughter Deborah Foster, and grandson Nicholas Foster.

Survivors include his son, David (Janet) Dwiggins of Gibbon, grandchildren

Sonie (Paul) Rathbun of Colorado Springs, CO, Travis Foster, Mike (Rebecca) Dwiggins of Washougal, WA and Olivia (Ryan) Rockwell of Columbia, SC and 5 great-grandchildren

Previous Events

Memorial Service

AUG 4. 10:30 AM (CT)

Gibbon Valley View Golf Course
14155 Pawnee Rd
Gibbon, NE 68840

Tribute Wall

DR

“ Denise R. planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Daniel W. Dwiggins.

Denise R. - August 05, 2025 at 07:33 PM

JO

“ Jerry & April Ondrak purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of Daniel W. Dwiggins.



Jerry & April Ondrak - July 31, 2025 at 08:09 PM

MR

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Markku Rauhamaa - July 11, 2025 at 03:39 AM

MR

“ I joined the Dwiggings family as an exchange student in 1970 when I was 16. We have kept regular contact ever since after having spent a wonderful year in Gibbon, Nebraska. We have visited each other several times both in Nebraska and also in Europe and Finland.

Dan was really a role model to me in several aspects. He really was a Dad to Grandpa to our family. We truly loved each other. He was a great person and had the possibility to live a long life. It was so nice to hear his nice humor left even during the last regular calls we had. For instance he said jokingly to me during one of the last calls: "Come on, are you really that old". And he was about 26 years older than me.

What a great person he was. I and my family are so grateful for having been able to be part of his family.

Markku Rauhamaa - July 11, 2025 at 03:27 AM

SP

“ SANDRA PARKER lit a candle in memory of Daniel Dwiggings



SANDRA PARKER - July 03, 2025 at 11:26 AM



“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Lorna Livingston - July 02, 2025 at 12:54 PM



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Lorna Livingston - August 01, 2025 at 12:20 PM



“ *Lorna Livingston lit a candle in memory of Daniel Dwigins*



Lorna Livingston - July 01, 2025 at 05:59 PM

JB

“ *Dan and Kae were very dear to our family. Dan graduated with my mom, Jean Godberson, and were lifelong friends . Dave and I grew up together on good old Kelsey Ave in Gibbon before they moved to the farm. I believe the Dwigins' were my families closest and dearest friends. I will miss Dan but will remember all the many memories !!*

janell Godberson Beveridge - July 01, 2025 at 04:55 PM