



## Donald Cavin

July 23, 1930 - September 8, 2017

Gail Donald Cavin, 87, was born July 23, 1930, in San Antonio, Texas, and went to be with the Lord, September 8, 2017. He was preceded in death by his mother Lena Alice Cavin and his father Hoyt Loren Cavin, along with his brothers, Hoyt Loren Junior, Thomas Edison Cavin, Michael O'Dare Cavin, and brothers-in-law, Dan Mooney, Ralph Shelton and David Crowe.

Donald is survived by his wife of 60 years, Shirley Ann Cavin, daughters, Mylene Rene' Heinz, Brenda Diane Troutt, beloved granddaughter, Shelby Rene' Troutt, and sons-in-law, Paul Heinz and Keith Troutt. He is also survived by his brothers, Douglas Cavin and wife Karen, Wayne Cavin and wife Marsha, sisters, Peggy Mooney, Billie Jo Shelton, Dorothy Detmar and husband Dan Detmar, brother-in-law, Delbert Altwein and wife Cheryl, sisters-in-law, Irene Cavin, Betty Cavin, Kathryn Crowe, and numerous nieces and nephews.

Donald was active in church as a young man and sang hymns in a group with his sisters Peggy Mooney and Billie Jo Shelton. He then joined the Navy reserves for two years and sailed to Panama on the Navy destroyer, USS John W. Weeks. After his Navy discharge he learned to paint houses with his Dad.

Donald married Shirley Ann Crow in 1957, and also began his long 31 year

career at American Can Company. He was a hard-working and devoted father to his family. Donald loved to take his family to the coast for vacations and spend his time off work fishing and deer hunting. He always enjoyed visiting his large extended family and loved to get together for dominoes or playing guitars and singing.

When American Can Company closed in 1988, he was able to start a new position with San Antonio School Board and stayed with them for five years until he finally retired.

Donald was especially proud of his only granddaughter Shelby Rene', and absolutely adored her.

His later years were fraught with many health illnesses and he struggled and fought valiantly to stay with his family that he so dearly loved. He remained a man of faith all his life and is now free of his physical burdens to celebrate eternity with Christ.

The family would like to extend their appreciation to Compassus Hospice, US Renal, and Mystic Park Rehab for Donald's care and support.

# Cemetery Details

## Mission Burial Park North

20900 IH 10 West  
San Antonio, TX 78257

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP **14**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Mission Park Funeral Chapels Cherry Ridge  
3401 Cherry Ridge Dr  
San Antonio, TX 78230  
(210) 349-1414  
<https://www.missionparks.com/>

## Celebration of His Life

SEP **15**. 2:00 PM (CT)

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## Committal Service

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SEP **15** (CT)

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