



## Walter Allen Crandell

August 4, 1946 - June 16, 2025

Walter A. Crandell, 78, passed away on the 16th of June 2025 in Roswell, NM. Please take a moment and share a kind thought or memory with Walter's family at [www.andersonbethany.com](http://www.andersonbethany.com).

SERVICES: There will be an intimate family only Memorial Service in Ruidoso, New Mexico on the 4th of August 2025.

\*Biography of Walter A. Crandell\*

On August 4, 1946, Walter A. Crandell was born to Allen Crandell and Hazel Crowder Crandell in McAlester Oklahoma. He attended Roswell High School, where he graduated in 1964. He enlisted in the United States Navy on June 24, 1964, and was Honorably Discharged on June 23, 1970. During the time he was serving his country he was awarded the National Defense Service medal. On April 2, 1968, he was appointed and commissioned Colonel, Aide – De – Camp on the Staff of the Governor of the State of New Mexico, by Governor David F. Cargo. He then went on to obtain his bachelor's in business and finance from Eastern New Mexico State University in 1972. Peggy S. Bartlett was the beloved wife of Walter A. Crandell, whom he married on September 26, 1969, in Roswell, New Mexico up to the year of their divorce in 1994. Prior to retirement, Walter A. Crandell, worked as a finance and sales manager for Desert Sun Pontiac in Roswell, New Mexico for

several years. Walter A. Crandell was often described as having a tenacious, individualistic, and stoic personality. He cultivated an image of a tough, independent individual and had a reputation for getting things done his way. He was known as a reserved man of very few words and for his traditional and conservative values, particularly in his political views and personal life. He enjoyed fishing, shooting, horses, and watching old westerns. He also found solace in writing poetry and journaling. Walter A. Crandell will be missed by his family and friends.

**SURVIVORS:** Those left to eternally treasure and cherish memories of Walter A. Crandell are his children: Shannon L. Foster, Kimberly D. Crandell, and Robynne A. Whitebear (deceased), his grandchildren, and great grandchildren.

Walter A. Crandell's tribute was written in his honor by his family.

# Tribute Wall

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“ Grace Lozano lit a candle in memory of  
Walter Crandell



Grace Lozano - June 22, 2025 at 07:22 PM

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“ Ariel Rupe lit a candle in memory of Walter  
Crandell



Ariel Rupe - June 21, 2025 at 07:16 PM

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“ Ariel Rupe lit a candle in memory of Walter  
Crandell



Ariel Rupe - June 21, 2025 at 10:25 AM

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“ Kimberly Crandell lit a candle in memory of  
Walter Crandell



Kimberly Crandell - June 19, 2025 at 03:55 PM