

Don Kahan

Responsibility

Lifetime Achievement

Don Kahan moved to Lee's Summit in 1965, where he still resides. Don opened a car dealership, as he opened his heart as well. Don had the sense of community responsibility and became involved in many organizations.

In the 1960's he was involved with the LS Jaycees, where he was a recipient of the LS Jaycees Distinguished Serve Award. Don was a 10 year member of the Red Cross Board of Directors. Also, spanning over 45 years (1965-2010) Don has sponsored LS Little League Teams. By the late 60's and into the early 70's Don became involved as Chairman of LS Community Betterment (5 Star Award)

Moving further into the 1970's, Don did not stop, in fact he became even more involved with his responsibility to community with LS Planning and Zoning Commission. President of many organizations including, the LS Chamber, LS Red Cross, Junior Achievement of Greater KC, LS YMCA, KC Chevrolet Dealership Association, Greater KC Better Business Bureau. Along with being Chair/President he was also a member of organizations such as; the Harry S. Truman Children's Neurological Center, and the Jackson County Economic Development Council. Also in the 1970's he was elected to the LS City Council and a Mayoral Candidate.

The 80's started off with a National Award Winner, Highway Users Federation, along with being one of 343 out of 10,000 dealers to win the National General Motors Service Supremacy Dealer, which he has been awarded this award every year to present. He also chaired and raised money for organizations such as; Heart of America Council, Boy Scouts of America, and LS Economic Development Council. Don is still involved with the LS EDC. Don also was a 7 year board member to Boatman's Bank.

In the early 1990's Don helped to start the Greater KC Metropolitan Entrepreneur's Council, where he later became a member of the Board of Directors.

To the present Don is a member and contributor to organizations such as; Lee's Summit CARES, Truman Medical Center, Lee's Summit Medical. He is also still an active member of Lee's Summit Social Services.

When thinking of Don Kahan, many people think of the dealership that sits off the highway, which is a testament to his perseverance and courage in and of itself! But few know of Don's, lifetime achievement of good character, which spans over 45 years to his community of Lee's Summit, Missouri. Few know of his kindness in donating to Lee's Summit CARES, and less than a handful can claim a monetary donation every year! As he works with all the above organizations, you can see the cooperation it must have taken Don for all these years. His citizenship in this community started so long ago and still exists today, that is a lifetime and a reason to be rewarded with a lifetime of achievement!