



Ronald "Ron" Ray Calvert

June 7, 1943 - June 3, 2015

Ronald Ray "Ron" Calvert, 71, of Bloomington died instantly and tragically Wednesday, June 3, 2015, in a riding mower accident.

Ron graduated with the Class of 1961 from Bloomington High School. He played football, wrestled and was a B man. Employment consisted of service to others as a route man for Johnson's Creamery and Colonial Bread Company. An avid outdoorsman, Ron deer and waterfowl hunted, hiked, and backpacked. Large portions of the Pacific Crest Trail and Appalachian Trail were covered. He was also an avid reader who absorbed information from a variety of topics. Reading led to his being a wonderful conversationalist. A staunch supporter of youth, he volunteered numerous hours to Backwater Legacies, a faith based not-for-profit organization that uses hunting, shooting, and archery sports to mentor youth. To the young people whose lives he touched, he was "Mr. Ron." Truly one of a kind, he will be greatly mourned and missed by family and volumes of friends. However, he will not be replaced.

Ron was preceded in death by his parents, Claude R. & Opal J (Stansbury) Calvert.

Survivors include his children, Anthony R. "Tony" Calvert of Montana, Theresa K. Calvert of Indianapolis, Terry L. Calvert (Jane) of Oregon, Tracy J. "Brub" Calvert of Montana, Chris M. Calvert of Oregon, Amy N. Calvert-Hammonds

(Brian) of Bloomington, Eddie V. Shake (Emily) of Utah, and Mandy J. Shake-Daria (Patrick) of Springville; six grandchildren; two brothers - his twin, Don Calvert (Shirley H.) of Ellettsville, and Stephen Calvert (Trudy L.) of Bloomington.

Visitation will be at Chandler Funeral Home in Ellettsville on Saturday, June 13, 2015, from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. with Memorial Services at 2 p.m. at the funeral home. Cremation will precede the services.

In lieu of flowers the family requests donations be made to your favorite charity or to Backwater Legacy Young Development Organization in care of Chandler Funeral Home.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 13. 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Chandler Funeral Homes - Ellettsville Chapel
203 E. Temperance Street
Ellettsville, IN 47429
(812) 876-6075
chandlerfh@bluemarble.net
<https://www.chandlerfh.com>

Memorial Service

JUN 13. 2:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ Chandler Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of Ronald "Ron" Ray Calvert



Chandler Funeral Homes - June 10, 2015 at 04:02 PM

RM

“ Don , Shirley, Stacy, Travis, and Merrick,
I can only hope the memories of Ron that you hold close to your heart will help you through the hardest of days. Don, Cameron, Tess, Pat and I will always be here to offer you hugs, comfort, a shoulder to cry on, or just to sit with you in silence. We will keep you in our thoughts and prayers as always. We love you all!
Your Colorado family!
Robin (Kelley) Mapes

Robin (Kelley) Mapes - June 13, 2015 at 01:17 PM

RM

“ Robin (Kelley) Mapes lit a candle in memory of Ronald "Ron" Ray Calvert



Robin (Kelley) Mapes - June 13, 2015 at 01:05 PM

SD

“ I knew Ron and Don all through high school. I've always very much enjoyed the quarterly meet ups with the class of '61, especially seeing Ron and Don.

We will miss Ron very much.

Love and prayers,

Sandi Brown Davis and mom Violet Cowden

Sandi Brown Davis - June 12, 2015 at 09:12 PM

RF

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Ron & Judy Freeman - June 11, 2015 at 09:55 AM

RF

“ 1 file added to the album New Album Name



Ron & Judy Freeman - June 10, 2015 at 06:51 PM



“ 289 files added to the album LifeTributes



Chandler Funeral Homes - June 10, 2015 at 03:17 PM

DD

“ I met Ron Back in the mid 70's when he delivered bread to Ponderosa Steak house and where he met his former wife Lisa and I worked at the Bloomington Hospital with his daughter. He was a Great man with a Huge smile all the time. May God watch over the family and help you through these emotional times. May God Bless You All.



Debbie Deckard(Clarke)

debbie deckard - June 10, 2015 at 12:08 PM

DG

“ Peace be with you as our thoughts and prayers certainly are. From Travis Calvert's brothers, Mark, Tim, and Dave. Engine 95 A-Shift of the Fishers Fire Dept.

Dave Gillespie - June 10, 2015 at 09:57 AM

RF

“ *Didn't know Ron that well, but what we did know about him, he was a great caring person. Always loved him and Don duck hunting in our Lake with their beautiful Labs.
He will be greatly missed...*

Ron and Judy Freeman.

Ron & Judy Freeman - June 10, 2015 at 09:48 AM

RF

“ *1 file added to the album Ron & Don Duck Hunting at our Lake*



Ron & Judy Freeman - June 10, 2015 at 09:34 AM

LL

“ *Goodbye old friend. I grew up with Ronnie and his brother Donnie. We were the closest of friends, back in the day. We went on many camperees while in boy scouts together. Suffered through those hot August 2 a days while playing Football for Coach Huff and Coach Grow at old BHS. Somewhere down road we lost contact with one another, but we never lost that bond that exist between true friends. And as I sit and write this, that is my worst regret. Because Ronnie was one of the most pleasant, honest and likeable man that I have ever had the pleasure to know. He always had a joke that made you feel better. I can still hear that laugh of his. I will sorely miss my old friend. He was the best of us.*

Larry Livingston LIVY

Larry Livingston - June 10, 2015 at 08:25 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ronald "Ron" Ray Calvert.*



June 09, 2015 at 09:50 PM



“ *Well I knew Don very well I only got to meet Ron a few times through his daughter Amy. However the one thing that I can say is he had to be a totally amazing man to have such a fantastic daughter and I'm sure he will be missed by many.*

Holly Helms - June 09, 2015 at 08:53 PM



“ *Pamela Combs lit a candle in memory of Ronald "Ron" Ray Calvert*



Pamela Combs - June 08, 2015 at 04:20 PM

PC

“ Ron was the kindest, happiest man I ever met! He was a great friend to me and my mother for seven years. He visited my mom at least twice a week, for seven years at RBB Nursing home and brought her coffee and desserts, made with duck eggs to get her going! He would lite the room up for her when he came in, always with a joke. Ron & his brother Don made the days so much better for us. Mom shared her room with their mother Opal, who we loved dearly. I write this with a broken heart that will never mend, there is no replacing Ron, we will miss him for the rest of our lives! I can only smile thru the tears when I think of him, we had so many great conversations, that went by too fast! Rest in peace Ron, hope to see you again one day! Please God take care of our great friend!
Pam & Myrtle

Pamela Combs - June 08, 2015 at 04:15 PM

NW

“ I will miss Ron tremendously. I met Ron in 1969 and have been friends with him and his Brothers Steve & Don ever since. We hunted, fished, camped, and shared funny stories all these years. My fondest memories of Ron was his annual Easter Egg hunts and cook outs at his home. He loved taking care to seeing that the youngsters had a great Easter.
Ron is now with our loving Lord, God is now taking care of our friend, Brother, and Father, Ron.

Norman (Woody) Woodard - June 08, 2015 at 01:23 PM

PP

“ I met him once and had talked to him on the phone several times and every time i would hang up i felt something it was like i knew him my whole life what a GIFT he had.

To the family so sorry for your loss.

We may not know the reason why he took you so soon but your memory will live for ever in us.

Patti Patton



Patti Patton - June 07, 2015 at 09:25 PM

SL

“ Hunting with Ron was a joy. From the first day I knew him it felt like we had been friends for years. I so much admired his ability to share a laugh with people he had only just met. He will be missed. I am sure God is taking care of him.

Spencer Leiter

Spencer Leiter - June 06, 2015 at 09:22 PM

MD

“ Donnie and family members, I am so sorry for you loss. I met Donnie and Ronnie in high school and rode the same school bus. My thoughts and prayers are with you. Mary Ellen Timms- Debelak

Mary Debelak - June 06, 2015 at 07:05 PM

GW

“ Every single time I saw this man, he put a smile on my face. I'm sure going to miss his wit, his stories, and most of all, his kindness. God bless you fella. God bless your family.

Gregory Webster - June 06, 2015 at 04:43 PM

CY

“ I have heard so many funny stories from my late husband, Bob Young, about the great times Ron, Don and he had at Bloomington High School. The three almost looked liked tripletds. Ron was certainly a "Good Guy!" he will be missed.

Connie Young - June 06, 2015 at 09:58 AM

AB

“ I have so many memories of Ronnie. Prayers to all of his loved ones. He will not be forgotten.



Angie Bowman - June 06, 2015 at 09:52 AM

DT

“ Steve & Family i'm working today but my thoughts & prayers are with your family !! God Bless you all !!

David Troth - June 06, 2015 at 09:29 AM

TV

“ I am so sorry for your loss. Terry Velazquez



terry velazquez - June 06, 2015 at 08:21 AM



“ *Secret Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Ronald "Ron" Ray Calvert.*



June 06, 2015 at 02:23 AM



“ *I extend my condolences to the family. Ronnie was a good friend and classmate at Bloomington High School., Many good memories.*

DANNY WEDDLE - June 05, 2015 at 09:34 PM



“ *our sincerest condolences to the family...pam c.,melanie b.,zachary kelley*



Pam Collier - June 05, 2015 at 08:19 PM



“ *Don, Steve and family, Words cannot express my feelings on the loss of our Ron. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your families. He will be missed by so many and the members of Ron's Class of 61 will think of him often.*

Terresa Thompson - June 05, 2015 at 08:06 PM



Hiked and backpacked with Ron, his brother Don, and their boys, condolences and fond memories, thoughts are with you Tony, big guy

Rick Williams - June 09, 2015 at 12:39 PM

GD

Don, Steve, Amy, Mandy, and Families, What a sweet man and a terrible loss! Although we cannot be there in person, please know that we are thinking of all of you. Georgia Daria and family

Georgia Daria - June 11, 2015 at 04:39 PM