



Ronald Roy Grissett

July 18, 1946 - July 14, 2023

Ronald Roy Grissett, age 76, died unexpectedly on Friday, July 14, 2023. Ron (Ronnie to family) was born in Columbus, Ohio, on July 18, 1946 and attended Linden McKinley High School. Growing up, Ron was very quiet and was not a very social child. He always attributed this personality trait to being the middle “forgotten” child. As he grew older in his adult years, he slowly started to emerge from his cocoon and transformed into the social butterfly we all came to know him as.

Ron was a diehard fan of THE Ohio State Buckeyes as well as a Bengals fan. He was an avid golfer and loved golf almost more than his children....almost lol. Ron loved taking golf trips to South Carolina, specifically to Santee. He was in several different leagues and golfed multiple times a week. Thursday, July 13th would turn out to be the last time he stepped foot on the golf course. That day he shot a 37 and 39!

Before his love of golf emerged, bowling was his passion. He spent many decades bowling in numerous leagues at multiple bowling alleys. As he grew older, knee and back issues forced him to put his bowling gear up for good. He loved solving sudoku puzzles and was proud at how fast he could complete them. This was, according to him, because he had a genius IQ. One of Ron’s hobbies that many people aren’t aware of is that he was passionate about family ancestry. He spent countless hours researching both his mother and father’s family trees, collecting numerous documents and photos and was able to trace ancestors dating back several centuries.

Ron had many hobbies throughout his life, but two things were more important to him than anything else. One being his circle of friends. He loved his friends dearly and would give them the shirt off of his back at the drop of a dime. He talked frequently about the great times he spent with them golfing, bowling, traveling and watching OSU football games. He spent countless hours at Mulligan's Sports Bar and Parkway Pub sharing many laughs, stories, spirits and great times with many close friends.

The MOST important thing in Ron's life was his family. There was nothing else in his life that could hold a candle to the love he had for them. His motto has always been "family first" and although he sometimes struggled to verbalize just how deep his feelings for his family were, they always knew how much he loved every single one of them. He was a very proud dad and grandpa or "G-pa" as his grandkids affectionately called him. He bragged regularly about each of his grandkids' unique abilities. He loved them all equally, but they each were special in their own right. Kody is his first, Maya is the only granddaughter and the only one to inherit his blue eyes. Kash shared his love of architecture and Zeke shared his love of sports. Ron loved his children, grandchildren, siblings, nieces, nephews, cousins and many friends and will be missed by all.

He is preceded in death by his mother, Maxine Kidwell, step-father, Richard Kidwell, father Neal Grissett, sister-in-law Dixie Kidwell and grandson Kansas Wheeler. He is survived by his daughter, Britt Grissett; sons, Brandon and Benjamin Grissett; grandsons, Kody Wilson, Kash Wheeler and Isaiah "Zeke" Grissett; granddaughter, MAYA Grissett; sister, Patti (Don) Wooddell; brothers, Greg (Leyda) Grissett, Richard "Dick" Kidwell, Tim (Rita) Kidwell, Steve (Heather) Grissett; many nieces, nephews, cousins and beloved cousin Rick Shay. A service will be held on Saturday, August 12, 2023 at Genoa Baptist Church, 7562 Lewis Center Road, Westerville, Oh 43082. The family will receive friends from 2pm-3pm. Memorial service will begin at 3pm with a Celebration of Life meal immediately following.

Malachi 4:6 He will restore the hearts of the fathers to the children and the

hearts of the children to their fathers.

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 12. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Genoa Baptist Church
7562 Lewis Center Rd.
Westerville, OH 43082

Funeral Service

AUG 12. 3:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

JO

“ I’m so sorry to hear of Ronnie’s passing. My thoughts go out to Britt, Brandon and Benji. Walmar and our Linden neighborhood was a great place to grow up and I have a lot of childhood memories of your family and extended families. It was so nice having all of our parents be friends for life.
-Jenni (Gabrenya) O’Malley

Jenni (Gabrenya) O’Malley - August 13, 2023 at 12:25 AM

PW

“ Patricia W. planted a grove of 5 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ronald Roy Grissett.

Patricia W. - August 11, 2023 at 01:17 PM

GW

“ Britt, Bandon, Ben, & Cuz. My deepest sympathies for you at this time. I never really knew Ronnie’s children, Ron shared enough that I knew about them. He was a proud and loving father. I knew Ron about 50 years, having met through bowling. He was quickly a friend with myself and my father. Over the years we shared many great times following the Buckeyes and of course what kept so many of close to Ron, golf. Ron was a kind soul and will be deeply missed by everyone who called him friend. I will always remember his smile and the laughs we shared. Rick, and family, God Bless you all.

Gary W. (Stogie)

Gary Wilkosz - August 10, 2023 at 09:54 AM



“ *Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ronald Roy Grissett.*



August 08, 2023 at 11:12 AM



“ *To a wonderful man and my dearest friend.
I know God's Eyes are shining on you Ron!
I miss you Buckwheat. Linda does too ...
We will see you again someday ... Until then ...
Coye*

Coye Dacus - August 05, 2023 at 01:12 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Ronald Roy Grissett.*



August 05, 2023 at 01:00 PM

SR

“ I did not know Ronnie well, but knew him best through my late husband, Dean. Dean told of the time he and Ronnie’s brother Greg drove to California to visit a friend. Neither of their cars would make the trip, so they coerced Ronnie into letting them take his. As the story goes, when Dean and Greg returned home, Ronnie’s car was not in exactly the same shape as it was when they left for California.



Sharon Rose - August 04, 2023 at 10:15 AM

BG

Aww Sharon thank you for sharing that story! I have never heard that one surprisingly.

Britt Grissett-Wheeler - August 05, 2023 at 04:17 AM

SA

“ Britt, Brandon, and Ben,

Aunt Di and I are so sorry for your loss. We love you all very much and will continue praying for all of you.
I always enjoyed my conversations with your dad whenever we saw each other.
He will be missed but I’m confident we will see him again in eternity.

Uncle Scott and Aunt Di

scott d aleshire - July 28, 2023 at 08:08 AM

BG

Uncle Scott and Aunt Diana, you both are extremely important to us and we all love you so much!

Britt Grissett-Wheeler - August 05, 2023 at 04:18 AM

KH

“ *Ron was a great and kind man. May he Rest In Peace. Kathy Dorn Henley*

Kathy Dorn Henley - July 27, 2023 at 11:40 AM

BG

Thank you!

Britt Grissett-Wheeler - August 05, 2023 at 04:19 AM

DJ

“ *To the Grissett family, my sincere condolences. Very shocked to hear the news of Ron's passing. Ron would give you the shirt off his back for any of his friends. I have couple of memories of Ron just doing that for me. Rest in Peace Ron.....I know you are heaven with the boys having a good time. We will miss you.*

Dennis Jesse

Dennis Jesse - July 25, 2023 at 10:32 AM

BG

Thank you Dennis. We were also very shocked. We were hoping we had at least another 15 years with him.

Britt Grissett-Wheeler - August 05, 2023 at 04:20 AM

BP

*Britt, Brandon, and Ben,
So sorry about your loss..
Your Dad was a great man and great friend..we had many good times together! I still cant believe hes gone on to the golf course in the sky.....*

Bob Patridge - August 10, 2023 at 09:53 AM