



## Ron Graham

August 18, 1949 - March 31, 2018

Ronald Ray Graham was born August 18, 1949 in Bloomington, Illinois. He passed away, March 31, 2018 at his home in Sunrise Beach, Missouri. He was the youngest son of Harold E. Graham and Mary Lucille (Brady) Graham.

He worked for Cummins Diesel and Central Illinois Trucks in Normal, Illinois as a diesel technician for over fifteen years. He then decided to buy his own semi and drive over-the-road. After relocating his family to Lake of the Ozarks in 1997, he was a crane operator for Rush Dock and Crane and Westfork Construction. He also worked at Franky and Louie's and Deer Valley Campground for ten years in general maintenance before retiring completely in 2015. He was a long-time member and officer of the Sons of the American Legion Post 624.

Ron lived a full life enjoying everyday as a holiday. He enjoyed camping, fishing, motorcycling, boating and spending time with friends and family. He was always there to help out anyone who needed it.

Ron is survived by his wife of twenty-six years, Mary Sue (Donelson) Graham; daughters, Michelle A. Graham of Bloomington, Illinois, Dawn R. (Graham) Audi of Bloomington, Illinois, Kristina L. (Long) Baker of Boonville, Missouri and Kayla R. Heibenthal of El Paso, Illinois; a son, David J. Long of Boonville, Missouri; six grandchildren, Kyle J. Audi, Ashley D. Duncan, Jesse S. Duncan,

Emily M. Audi, Dominic B. Baker and Dante R. Baker; great-grandchildren, Mayloni and Milianah Cook and siblings, James H. Graham and wife Linda of Warsaw, Missouri, Linda L. (Graham) Cox of Bloomington, Illinois and Steven D. Graham and lifetime companion Julie of Mountain Grove, Missouri.

Ron was preceded in death by his parents; a nephew; a niece and many aunts, uncles and cousins. He lost many close friends through the years.

Memorial services will be held at 2:00 p.m., Saturday, April 14, 2018 at Kidwell-Garber Laurie/Sunrise Beach Chapel, Laurie, Missouri. Visitation will be held from 1:00 p.m. until service time at the funeral home.

A second memorial service will be held at 2:00 p.m., Saturday, April 21, 2018 at Calvert and Metzler Memorial Home, Bloomington, Illinois. A visitation will be held from 1:00 p.m. until service time at the funeral home.

Inurnment will be in Garber Memorial Estates, Laurie, Missouri.

Memorial donations may be made to Christmas Angels.

Arrangements are under the care and direction of the Kidwell-Garber Laurie/Sunrise Beach Chapel.

# Cemetery Details

## Garber Memorial Estates

417 Silvey Rd.  
Laurie, MO 65038  
(573) 374-7688

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**APR 14.** 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Kidwell-Garber Funeral Home - Laurie/Sunrise Beach Chapel  
417 Silvey Rd.  
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## Service

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# Tribute Wall



“ 50 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



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**Kidwell-Garber Funeral Homes** - April 13, 2018 at 02:56 PM

LS

“ *Mary,  
You and your family are in our hearts and prayers. We're so sorry for your loss. Let your good memories of happy times with Ron comfort you in the days ahead.  
Lonnie and Linda Stumpff*

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**Linda Stumpff** - April 11, 2018 at 01:43 PM

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“ *Mary and Family, I am sorry to hear of Ron's passing. I know he brought many smiles to many faces. Keep your family close and realize how special each one of you are to one another.*

*Brian and Wendy Brady*

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**Brian Brady** - April 07, 2018 at 10:17 PM

BE

“ *Mary & family....SO sorry for your loss. Ron was always the "life do the party"!!*

*Becky & Ed Kaliszewski*

becky - April 07, 2018 at 10:00 AM

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“ *Wendy Hannibal And Rick Holt lit a candle in memory of Ron Graham*



Wendy Hannibal and Rick Holt - April 06, 2018 at 10:09 PM

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*We Have Many Fond Memories of Your Dad. May Happy Memories find you at Peace.* 🕊️🕊️🙏

Wendy Hannibal and Rick Holt - April 06, 2018 at 10:11 PM

PC

“ *Pamela Chrisman lit a candle in memory of Ron Graham*



Pamela Chrisman - April 05, 2018 at 11:50 PM



“ *Chandra Denison lit a candle in memory of Ron Graham*



Chandra Denison - April 05, 2018 at 09:45 PM



“ *Debra Parkerson Hawkins lit a candle in memory of Ron Graham*



Debra Parkerson Hawkins - April 05, 2018 at 11:24 AM



*SO SORRY FOR YOUR LOSS..SENDING OUR DEEPEST CONDOLENCES TO DAWN AND FAMILY..*

Debra Parkerson Hawkins - April 05, 2018 at 11:26 AM



“ *Our broken hearts go out to Mary and Ronnie's children and family. He always had a smile when he seen you. Our fondness memories are our camping and float trips with Ron and Mary. When you think of Ronnie, you think of laughter, Jack, and Crackerheads. We will miss you dear friend.*



Ed and Jenny Payne - April 05, 2018 at 02:02 AM

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“ *Cindy Campbell lit a candle in memory of Ron Graham*



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**Cindy Campbell** - April 04, 2018 at 09:39 AM

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*Ronnie was one of the greatest people and a very dear friend. My heart goes out to Mary and his family. He always brought sunshine to the room. He always called me "cracker head" for good reason. He will be greatly missed.*

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**Cindy Campbell** - April 04, 2018 at 09:42 AM

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“ *Lura Shafer lit a candle in memory of Ron Graham*



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**lura shafer** - April 04, 2018 at 07:53 AM