



Ronald Richard Engel

August 22, 1936 - August 6, 2020

Ronald Richard Engel, age 83, born August 22, 1936 passed away peacefully on August 4, 2020. He is survived by his four children: Ronda Ferris, Richelle Kreber, Ronald Richard Engel II and Rachael Bowling. He will be greatly missed by his 15 grandchildren; Chelsea, Andrew, Luke & Seth Ferris - Nicholas, Abigail, Emma, Isabelle, Jack & Olivia Kreber - Clarissa Engel - Zachary, Grant, Hope & Joy Bowling and his former spouse, Doreen Engel. He was preceded in death by his parents Frederick and Delphine Engel and sister, Marie Gardner.

Ronald was born in Hurley Wisconsin, raised in Kenosha and graduated from University of Wisconsin. He loved and served his country in the United States Army-82 Airborne. He raised his family in Cincinnati, Ohio and spent his last 24 years in Henderson, Nevada. Ron's life was forever changed by God and AA, one week shy of receiving his 45-year sober coin, he spent countless hours helping others in recovery in both Cincinnati and Las Vegas. The 51 Club was where he found his loyal friends and Vegas family. He never shied from his compassionate commitment to improve the life of others, inspiring all to look inward because "It's not them".

In retirement Ron enjoyed traveling abroad, boating on Bone Dry and spending time with his grandchildren. He loved made-up words and charging the kids 10¢ to see his paratrooper tattoo. Everyone looked forward to

Grandpa's visits! He will be greatly missed by all, especially his faithful companion Max who was always by his side.

Ronald will be interred at The Southern Nevada Veterans Memorial Cemetery in Boulder City, Nevada. Memorial donations can be made to LVCentralOffice.org

Tribute Wall

JR

“ I first met Ron when he was the General Agent for Penn Mutual. We eventually became associates at Manufacturers Life. I still have items Ron gave me courtesy of North American Life. During this time, we always remained in touch and continued to have lunch. I will never forget his "paper bag" story when you feel your life is in shambles. I was very proud when he asked me to secure insurance coverage for members in his family. His memory will continue to be an inspiration for me. John Rewwer

JOHN REWWER - September 21, 2023 at 10:32 AM

KP

“ I am so saddened to have just learned of Ron's passing. I was his secretary right out of high school and worked for him for many years during the 80's, it was such a fun job. He had the best laugh, and I still smile when I think of when he would hang up the phone and say I'm hanging up, but you keep talking, and then click, he was done. I still have so many great memories of him, he was one of a kind. I wish you all comfort in the months and years ahead.

Kathy Partin - February 11, 2021 at 12:18 PM

JS

“ I was searching on google for my old friends when I came upon Ron's obit, I was in his & doreens wedding and remember him well. Condolences to the family, I have been trying to find how to get in touch with Doreen would appreciate if someone would forward message to her, Janet Matzur scribner Bonita Springs Florida

Janet Matzur scribner - September 18, 2020 at 12:29 PM

JA

“ Ron & I became friends at Springdale Church of the Nazarene in Springdale, OH in 1979 shortly after I, and I think Ron, came into a personal relationship with the Lord. As couples we shared many good times together at social events. Ron took me on a tour of the downtown Cincinnati AA locations and gave a testimony at one of them. Very impressive. I appreciated the education and sound advice he provided there and to me personally in regard to alcoholism, which only by the grace of God did I avoid. May Ron be blessed in heaven and a blessing there as well.

John Wayne Andrews - September 09, 2020 at 02:05 PM

CS

“ I will miss your true love and friendship Ron!

Charlene Slabe - September 01, 2020 at 11:29 AM

BP

“ I'll always remember the trip to Vegas to see him... He took us to several of the high rollers at the hotels that were his favorites, topping it off with ice cream to die for... we loved his laugh and sense of humor. I'll miss sending his Christmas card as I've done for years ..❤️

Brenda Powell - August 30, 2020 at 08:53 AM

CL

“ Mr. Ron always had the right thing to say everytime I needed advice. And his hugs were the best. If ever I fell asleep in the meeting when ever he was called on to share he always woke me up with how loud he announced himself! Love you Mr. Ron you will forever be missed so glad I met you many many years ago

Carol Lustig - August 26, 2020 at 10:47 AM

VA

“ Ron I will always remember how much you loved the 51. When we would clean the outside of the building and then we got crazy one day and cleaned all the vents and lights... We had many talks during those times you will be missed by many... say hello to all our friends up there... fly high sir!!!

Vonda Albrecht - August 24, 2020 at 03:05 AM

MO

“ He loved to sneak me little caramels during the meeting. I would get home and often find them in one of my jacket pockets or in a corner of my pocketbook. And the next time I saw him he would have that little laugh of the shared secret. Since his death I can't tell you how many people in the meetings have talked about his influence and how Ron helped them to maintain sobriety and improve their lives. I will miss his firmly resonating "I'm Ron and I'm an alcoholic."

Maryellen OBrien - August 23, 2020 at 05:08 AM

JD

“ Ron was our next door neighbor in Cincinnati. Wonderful fella with fun kids whom with we played all the time! Ronda and Richelle could run as fast as Bill, Doug, Bob, Steve, Tim, Rob, Daren, Greg, Mark, and me. Plus, Ron was always had the big German shepherd, Rommel (sp?) was his name, and Peanut Butter, the miniature schnauzer! May Ron and his entire family find solace in the arms of the Lord!

Jeff Dornoff - August 22, 2020 at 10:00 PM

CS

“ Godspeed my friend Ron, thank you for your wisdom is in the rooms, thank you for your service to God and Country. You are loved and will be missed. "Its not them"...it never is brother ❤️

Clint Small - August 22, 2020 at 08:21 PM

TF

“ *The family requests no flowers be sent. Thank you. Instead please do something good for someone else.*

The Engel Family - August 22, 2020 at 08:04 PM

MS

“ *I met Ron at the 51 club when he shared his experience strength and hope which I will take with me for the rest of my life. His smile, his friendship, his love will be missed. There was one special nite he took me by the shoulders and looked into my eyes- the words that follow have brought me a sense of worth and peace I still can feel today.*

Michele Swanson - August 22, 2020 at 07:50 PM