



Ronald Wikel

November 14, 1940 - September 23, 2020

Ronald Neil Wikel of Cape Girardeau passed away Wednesday, September 23, 2020.

Ron was born on November 14, 1940 in Mount Pleasant, Iowa to Helen and Neil Wikel.

He graduated from Parsons College with a business major in 1963.

In 1964 he married Jo after meeting on a blind date. They celebrated their 55th wedding anniversary last fall. They had three children, Mark Wikel of Cape Girardeau and his wife, Tracey and their two children, Kristen of San Diego, California and Katy of Cape Girardeau; David Wikel of Jackson, Missouri and his wife, Donna and their children, Lauren, Alex and Megan all of Jackson; and Jill Kirk of Arlington, Tennessee and her husband, Marty and their children, Abigail and Garrett both of Arlington.

He was a member of Centenary United Methodist Church in Cape Girardeau.

Ron worked for Brown's Shoe Fit Co for 36 years. His job moved him all around for several years from Iowa to Nebraska to Missouri. Ron and Jo moved to Cape Girardeau in 1978, where he was owner/manager of Brown's Shoe Fit Co until he retired in 2005.

He is survived by his wife; three children; seven grandchildren; and sister, Susan Coppernoll of College Station Texas.

Ron is preceded in death by his parents and brother, Bill.

Private family service will be held at Ford and Sons Funeral Home.

Memorial contributions may be given to Centenary United Methodist Church, 300 N. Ellis St., Cape Girardeau, MO 63701 or LeBonheur Children's Medical Center, PO Box 41817, Memphis, TN 38174-1817.

Online condolences may be made at www.fordandsonsfuneralhome.com.

Cemetery Details

Cape County Memorial Park Cemetery

2315 Highway 61 North
Cape Girardeau, MO 63701
(573) 334-1909
<https://www.fordandsonsfuneralhome.com/>

Tribute Wall

CN

“ We extend our deepest sympathy to all the family. Be assured of our prayers for each of you at this difficult time. Ron was a special friend to us and helped fit all of our eleven children with shoes as they were growing up. We have a special place in our hearts for him remembering all the patience and time he spent with us when we came to Brown's Shoe Store.

Clarence & Thelma Nations - September 28, 2020 at 03:08 PM

CM

“ Dear Jo,. I am so sorry to hear of the loss of your best friend and partner Ron. Heaven's kitchen is in good hands. Keeping you and your family in my thoughts and prayers. Love Carolyn

Carolyn McCalister - September 28, 2020 at 10:10 AM

TS

“ We are so sorry for your loss. We will keep you all in our thoughts and prayers.
Tom and DeeDee Siebert

Tom Siebert - September 27, 2020 at 06:11 PM

LK

“ Dear Jo,
I am so sorry for your loss. I can still see the two of you holding hands, walking the trails, on many occasions post retirement. What an example of love and camaraderie you shared with the world! Ron always struck me as a gentleman with gentle ways whose devotion to you was undeniable. 50 years is truly amazing and I know you are grateful. Know that we would welcome your company anytime back in our Centenary kitchen, family life center....wherever, should you ever want some loving comfort and support! We all think of you often. Fondly, Lori Ann (your worst apprentice ever!)

lori ann kinder - September 27, 2020 at 10:24 AM



“ Margaret Lents purchased the Small Garden Dish for the family of Ronald Wikel.



Margaret Lents - September 25, 2020 at 11:43 AM



“ Jo, I am so very sorry to hear of Ron's death. He was one of my favorite people with his quiet sense of humor. He taught me how to properly bang pots in the kitchen at Centenary, although I never was quiet as good at it. You and all of your family are in my thoughts and prayers. Love, Margaret Lents

Margaret Lents - September 25, 2020 at 11:38 AM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Ronald Wikel.*



September 25, 2020 at 11:19 AM



“ *3 files added to the album Memories Album*



Robert Wikel - September 25, 2020 at 10:36 AM



“ *Dave, Donna & Family,
Allen & I are sorry to hear of your loss. Sending our sympathy and prayers for God's blessings for strength and comfort during this sad time.]*

Marilyn Schott - September 25, 2020 at 10:34 AM

BW

“ *Jill and family,
Please accept my deepest condolences for the passing of Ron. I remember going to Brown's and he was usually the one who waited on me. He was always so kind and helpful. Then when Jill and I were in school and band together I remember band trips and events. Ron was always very kind and friendly and I was very sorry to hear of his passing. Jill, I totally understand what you are going through as my own father has been gone now for 17 years. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family during this difficult time.*
Bethany Wickham-Wells

Bethany Wells - September 25, 2020 at 09:55 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of
Ronald Wikel.*



September 25, 2020 at 09:36 AM

SV

“ *Dear Jo, I am so sorry to hear about Ron's death. I always enjoyed visiting with you two. I will never forget the nickname you gave me (No toes) Ron will truly be missed!!!! Susan Vincel*

Susan Vincel - September 25, 2020 at 08:34 AM

LG

“ *Love, Brent & Maura and Kids & Grandkids purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Ronald Wikel.*



Love, Brent & Maura and Kids & Grandkids - September 24,
2020 at 11:20 PM