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Ronald Lee Boyd, a beloved husband, father, grandfather, and dedicated community member, passed away August 15, 2024. He was born on August 15, 1953, in Teague, Texas, to Bily Joyce Welch Culver and Elmer (Bill) Boyd.

Ronald is survived by his loving wife of 51 years, Kathryn Boyd. He leaves behind two daughters: Mary Newton of Conroe, Texas, and Rhonda Bailey, who is married to Blaine Bailey of Rose Bud, Arkansas. He is also survived by his grandchildren: Serena Martin-West and husband Robert West of Conroe, Texas; Mark Martin and wife Amber Miles of Conroe, Texas; and Jordan Lee Martin of Conroe, Texas. His great-grandchildren include Kai Martin, Katalina West, and Ryland Martin.

Ronald is also survived by his cherished siblings: Brenda and Stan, Patty, Billy, Judy and Tim, Bob and Celia, Mickey and Cathryn, along with many nieces and nephews.

Ronald spent his early years in Buffalo, Texas. At age 16, he moved to Lake Jackson, Texas, where he began his first job picking watermelons. Ronnie, as

he was affectionately known, left school at 17 to support his family. He took pride in his work on the crew finishing the last section of I-45 in Buffalo. In 1972, he joined Ruth Berry Water Pumps in Houston, Texas, where he met his future wife, Kathryn Lucille Ethridge. They married in 1973 and soon started their family.

Ronnie dedicated 42 years to St. Luke's Hospital before retiring in 2015. His commitment to his work was evident in his donation of over 50 gallons of blood and plasma, and he was honored with the Presidential Award for Team Excellence in 1999. In 2001, he received recognition for outstanding performance during Tropical Storm Allison.

In 1987, Ronnie became a volunteer firefighter with Galena Park and was named Rookie of the Year. He pursued further training to become an EMT, earning his GED in 1992 at age 39 while working full-time and caring for his family. Proud to have completed Fire School through Texas A&M. In 1993, he was named Firefighter of the Year, a highlight of his life, and he received numerous accolades throughout his ten years of service.

In his free time, Ronnie enjoyed fishing, riding his motorcycle, and watching war movies. Most importantly, he relished spending time with his family and friends, often bringing joy and laughter to those around him with his quick wit and sense of humor.

A visitation will be held on Thursday, August 22, 2024, at 10:00 a.m. at Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home, 10129 FM 1097, Willis, Texas. Services will begin at 11:00 a.m., followed by burial at Glendale Cemetery, 741-799 Glendale Cemetery Rd, Trinity, Texas 75862.

Cemetery Details

Glendale Cemetery

Glendale Cemetery Rd.
Trinity, TX

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG **22**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home - Willis
10129 FM 1097 Rd. W
Willis, TX 77318

Funeral Service

AUG **22**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home - Willis
10129 FM 1097 Rd W.
Willis, TX 77318

Burial

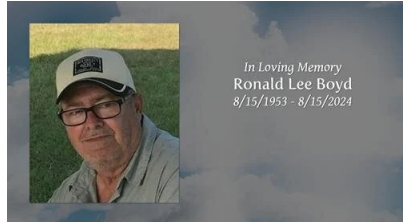
AUG **22**. 3:00 PM - 3:30 PM (CT)

Glendale Cemetery
Glendale Cemetery Rd.
Trinity, TX

Tribute Wall



“ *Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Ronald Lee Boyd*



Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home - August 21, 2024 at 07:36 PM

GB

“ *So sorry for your loss.
Praying for you all, Gary, Becky, Donald, Kimberly and Sheila Boyd*

Gary Boyd - August 22, 2024 at 06:34 PM



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ronald Lee Boyd.*



August 21, 2024 at 02:38 PM

TG

“ *Tammara kolb Gutierrez planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ronald Lee Boyd.*

Tammara kolb Gutierrez - August 21, 2024 at 02:38 PM

BF

“ *Brenda & Stan Blauvelt & Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Ronald Lee Boyd.*



Brenda & Stan Blauvelt & Family - August 21, 2024 at 01:15 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Ronald Lee Boyd.*



August 21, 2024 at 12:59 PM

JP

“ *My family and I were sad to hear that Ronnie had passed away and our condolences go out to the family. I first met Ronnie and his family when he, or maybe I should say they joined the Galena Park Volunteer Fire Department, because we were and still are family. We had many great times/memories, and it was an honor to serve with and along side Ronnie. Whether it was drill night, a fire/EMS call or all of our favorite time, Santa on the firetruck passing out candy to the kids in the community, Ronnie was always there and always had your back no matter the situation!
Signal 7-1, Ronnie, well done my friend!!
Jerry "JW" Philley*

JW Philley - August 21, 2024 at 10:25 AM

BL

“ *I was and still proud to have called him Dad.*

blaine - August 21, 2024 at 03:51 AM

DM

“ *Dan and I are saddened by the news of Ron's passing. We have been neighbors for many years and will miss his presence. Our condolences go out to the family, and we will keep you in our thoughts and prayers. Dan and Annette Miller*

Dan and Annette Miller - August 21, 2024 at 12:44 AM