



Donald Wayne Ross

January 8, 1941 - August 8, 2024

Donald Wayne Ross, 83 of Norman passed away on August 8, 2024.

He was born on January 8, 1941, in Lindsay, Oklahoma. Don was the fifth of six children born to Ira Lee Ross and Margaret Tinnie (Bible) Ross. He grew up in Lindsay, until his family moved to Wayne where he graduated with the Bulldog class of 1958. After high school, he worked as a farm hand for a few months, worked at an electronics shop, and then began working for Boyer Electric. There he learned the trade as an electrician and made it his vocation. He went on to work for Western Electric, AT&T, and Lucent, where he retired as a supervisor on December 1, 2001.

One Sunday afternoon while driving around, he met a beautiful young lady named Kathy Elaine Watkins. They went riding around together and never parted from then on. Don and Kathy were married on June 7, 1963. They shared sixty wonderful years of marriage and raised two wonderful children, Jeff and Shawnda.

When Don wasn't working, he enjoyed raising horses, and spending time outdoors quail hunting. Don and Kathy enjoyed spending time together traveling. One of their favorite trips was to go on cruises together.

Don was a family man. He cherished his children and was always involved in the numerous athletic activities they were in. From gymnastics to baseball, he never missed a game or a chance to cheer them on, supporting them in each

and every endeavor. Don always treasured the time he got to spend with his “five grandsons” he cherished each one and always taught them important life lessons, like sometimes its okay to have Oreos for breakfast. Don was a beloved husband, father, papa, and brother who will be dearly missed.

He was preceded in death by his parents Ira Ross Sr. and Margaret Ross, his loving wife Kathy Ross, and his siblings Ira Ross Jr., Bobbie Jean Stockard, Jimmy Ross, and Anna Lou Young.

Don is survived by his children Jeff Ross and wife Lisa of Washington, OK, Shawnda Zehr and husband Jeffrey of Norman, OK. His brother Gary Ross and wife Barbara of Wayne, OK. His five grandsons, Caisen Zehr, Colten Ross, Caiden Zehr, Paicer Zehr, Landen Zehr, one great grandson Ross Zehr, and a host of other family and friends.

Funeral services are scheduled for 10:00 am Tuesday August 13, 2024, at Little’s Chapel, Wilson-Little Purcell, with Burial to follow at Lexington Cemetery. In lieu of flowers please consider donating to the Alzheimer’s Association in Don’s honor, thank you. <https://www.alz.org/oklahoma>

Cemetery Details

Lexington Cemetery

Lexington, OK 73051

Previous Events

Funeral Service

AUG 13. 10:00 AM (CT)

Little's Chapel
127 S. Canadian
Purcell, OK 73080
<http://www.wilsonlittle.com>

Viewing Monday 9 AM - 7 PM in Purcell.

Tribute Wall

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“ Praying for your family in your time of loss! Don and Kathy were both such precious people and will be greatly missed. May God's Spirit comfort you all!

Pat & Kenny Jones - August 13, 2024 at 04:44 PM

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“ Sending much love and prayers of comfort and peace from Janie and Walter, Derek, Ashley and Nico, Luca David and Thomas Ross. We are sorry we couldn't be with you but please know you're in our hearts as we mourn the loss of Uncle Don.

Janie Ross Diaz - August 13, 2024 at 04:34 AM