



Ronald Eugene Collard

July 18, 1952 - May 24, 2020

Mr. Ronald Eugene Collard, 67, of Bowling Green, MO, formerly of Rockport, IL, passed away on May 24, 2020 in Bowling Green, MO. Funeral services will be held at 10:00 A.M. on Friday, May 29, 2020 at the Collier Funeral Home in Louisiana, MO. The Rev. Don Hannel officiating. Burial will be at the Crescent Heights Cemetery in Pleasant Hill, IL. Visitation will be held from 5:00 P.M. until 8:00 P.M. on Thursday, May 28th at the funeral home.

He was born on July 18, 1952 in Pittsfield, IL to Gene "Pete" Collard and Anna Marie Ziegler Collard. He was married to Catherine Wright on January 28, 1972 and she preceded him in death on May 16, 2018.

He is survived by a son, Michael G. Collard (Rose) of Louisiana, MO, a daughter, Michelle J. Ray (Larry Turner) of Louisiana, MO, 6 grandchildren, Ashley Ray, Madison Collard, John Ray, Lane Collard, Tyler Blackwell, and Katie Blackwell, 2 brothers, Dennis Collard (Pam) of Pleasant Hill, IL, and Tim Collard (Jan) of Harrisburg, MO, a sister in-law, Denise Collard of Pleasant Hill, IL, and nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, his wife Catherine, and a brother, Donald Collard.

Ronald had grown up and lived in Rockport, IL most of his life. He moved to Hwy NN in 1994. He was a graduate of Pleasant Hill High School with the Class of 1970 and later attended Danville Area Community College in Danville, IL. He had worked as a self-employed farmer, for Stark Bros. Nursery and the Foundry in Louisiana, MO, and the MO Department of

Corrections as a transportation officer until his retirement in 2017.

He enjoyed hunting, fishing, loved gardening and fruits, especially his cherry trees. He kept bird feeders full for the birds around the home with his favorite being the hummingbirds. Most of all, he enjoyed spending time with his grandchildren.

Memorials may be given to the Crescent Heights Cemetery in care of the funeral home.

Cemetery Details

Crescent Heights Cemetery

Pleasant Hill, IL

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 28. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Collier Funeral Homes, Inc.
117 Barnard Dr
Louisiana, MO 63353
(573) 754-4800
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Funeral Service

MAY 29. 10:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Ronald Eugene Collard*

November 08, 2022 at 10:35 AM



“ *Ronald Eugene Collard*

November 08, 2022 at 08:46 AM



“ *Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of Ronald Eugene Collard.*



May 28, 2020 at 01:10 PM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ronald Eugene Collard.*



May 28, 2020 at 11:13 AM



“ *I enjoyed working with Ron and hearing stories from his farming and hunting days. His entire family meant the world to him. He will be missed.*

Ronnie Borrowman - May 28, 2020 at 09:34 AM

GA

“ I send my sincere condolences to Ron’s family. I have so many shared memories from childhood as our parents were good friends....and many from school days together also. He was a good man with a ready smile. I am so sorry. Gail Anderson

Gail Anderson - May 28, 2020 at 09:30 AM

CW

“ So sorry for your loss! Ronnie was such a nice person. He will be missed. My thoughts and prayers are with all family & friends!💖💖
Rest in Peace my dear friend.💖💖



Chrystal Walker - May 28, 2020 at 02:15 AM

DS

“ I'm sorry for your loss



Deb Skirvin - May 27, 2020 at 03:57 PM

PC

Thank you Deb. 🙏

Pam Collard - May 28, 2020 at 12:13 PM



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ronald Eugene Collard.* ”



May 27, 2020 at 03:21 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Ronald Eugene Collard.* ”



May 27, 2020 at 01:56 PM



“ *Tracy White lit a candle in memory of Ronald Eugene Collard* ”



Tracy White - May 27, 2020 at 09:27 AM



“ *Sorry for your loss. Prayers for the family* ”



janet Reed - May 27, 2020 at 08:11 AM

JE

“ *Janet Elliott lit a candle in memory of Ronald Eugene Collard*



janet elliott - May 27, 2020 at 06:39 AM

BS

“ *Becky Sanderson lit a candle in memory of Ronald Eugene Collard*



Becky Sanderson - May 27, 2020 at 06:01 AM

CY

“ *I always loved working with Mr. Collard. He reminded me so much of my own father. He would talk your leg off about his grandchildren and farming. He will be missed! My prayers are with you all.*

Christy York - May 26, 2020 at 10:24 PM

PC

“ I have some great mushrooming memories with Ronnie. He was a woodsman. He taught me a lot about trees and he was my go-to guy for anything gardening. He had quite a collection of "Collard Boys" stories and loved recalling the antics of his brothers and friends. It made my childhood look a little tame in comparison and I laughed at how tickled he got with his own stories. He was the God father of my son and he was so proud of both my children, a great Uncle to have He and I shared the love of the outdoors and loved the same man, his brother, my husband Dennis (Sonny, Spud) Our family will not be the same without Ronnie.

Pam Collard - May 26, 2020 at 10:05 PM



“ Delightful Dieffenbachia was purchased for the family of Ronald Eugene Collard.



May 26, 2020 at 08:07 PM

CB

“ Candy Burnett lit a candle in memory of Ronald Eugene Collard



Candy Burnett - May 26, 2020 at 06:33 PM

SM

Sorry for your loss

Sammy Meyers - May 27, 2020 at 05:41 PM

TW

“ *I always enjoyed our conversations at work and enjoyed running into him a few weeks ago at Walmart after not seeing him since he retired my deepest sympathys to his family God speed Ron*

Tony Windmiller - May 26, 2020 at 05:22 PM