



# Ronald Edward Sipple

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## **Ronald Edward Sipple**

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**R**onald E. Sipple, age 79 of Bridgeville, DE passed away on Tuesday January 31, 2012 at Life Care at Lofland Park, Seaford, DE, after a long illness. He was born November 13, 1932 in Milford, DE, the son of the late Arthur M. and Agnes Williams Sipple. He grew up in Viola, DE and was a 1950 graduate of Caesar Rodney High School. Following graduation he worked for the E.I. DuPont Company in Seaford, for 42 years, retiring in 1992. He served in the US Army from 1953 to 1955. He also worked for the Hardesty Funeral Home as a funeral assistant for many years.

Ronald's true passion in life was serving his community in the fire service. He first joined the Felton Fire Company in 1952 where he was an Honorary Life Member and later the Bridgeville Volunteer Fire Company in 1957. A lifetime member of Station 72, he served as vice president, ambulance lieutenant, ambulance captain, chief engineer and fire chief, a position he held from 1964 thru 1966 and again from 1980 thru 1982. In 1981 he was recognized by the DuPont Co. for completing over 5000 ambulance runs. In 1969 he was honored by the Bridgeville Fire Company as Fireman of the Year and in 2007 he was the recipient of the Sussex County Volunteer Fireman's Association Award as Fireman of the Year.

In addition to the fire service, Ronald enjoyed hunting and attending the Blue Rocks and Delmarva Shorebirds games, especially with his identical twin brother Donald, who died in 2007. He was also predeceased by his sister Shirley A. Hairgrove and brother-in-law Richard C. Hairgrove.

Ronald is survived by his wife, Margaret "Bootsie" Sipple whom he married in May 1957; daughter Becky S. Patterson and husband Michael; son Michael E. Sipple and wife Patricia; granddaughters: Stacey R. Patterson, Angela P. James and husband Robert, Kelly Sipple, and Lauren M. Sipple; great grandson Drake Chad James and great granddaughter Bailey Ann James; two brothers: William A. Sipple and wife Joyce and Larry R. Sipple and wife Connie,; sister-in-law Izzetta Sipple; and two brothers-in-law: Harry Waters and wife Evelyn and Albert Waters and wife Jan.



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Funeral services with Fireman's Honors will be held on Saturday February 4, 2012 at 3:00 PM at the Bridgeville Volunteer Fire Department, 311 Market Street, Bridgeville, DE where friends may call from 2:00 PM to 3:00 PM. Friends may also call from 7-9 PM on Friday, February 3, 2012 at the Parsell Funeral Homes & Crematorium, Hardesty Chapel, 202 Laws Street, Bridgeville, DE. Burial will be in Bridgeville Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers contributions are suggested to the Bridgeville Volunteer Fire Company, PO Box 727, Bridgeville, DE 19933.

Please sign Mr. Sipple's online guestbook at this site.

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## Events

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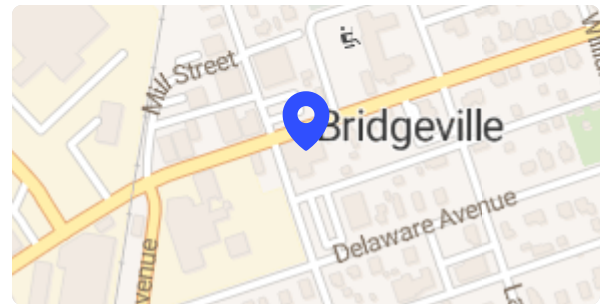
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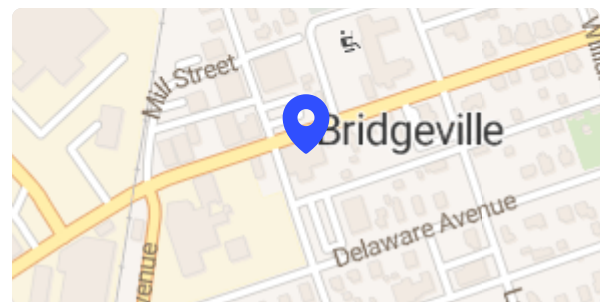


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JW

**Joseph And Kim Winski** posted:

Our deepest sympathies and best wishes.

February 5 at 8:00 PM

GC

**Gayle Passwaters Craver** posted:

So sorry to learn of Ronald's passing. I will always remember the summer that my son & I came to spend time with Mother & Stephen ended up almost living with you! Wonder if Michael remembers putting Stephen in the basket on his bike & taking him uptown. May God bless you with peace in your heart that Ronald is home with his heavenly Father & you will be reunited one day in the future. God Bless. Gayle Passwaters Craver

February 4 at 8:00 PM

TF

**The Winski Family** posted:

Bootsie, Mike and Becky. We are all so very sorry for your loss. He was truly a wonderful man and his friendship with our family was a treasure to each of us. You are in our prayers. Dave, Marion, Marie, and Donna.

February 4 at 8:00 PM

DC

**Darl Chaffinch** posted:

Bootsie, Mike, Becky, Bill and Larry: Sorry to hear of Ronald's passing. I have a lot of great memories associated with his friendship over the several years that I lived at 102 Sussex Ave. and as a member of the fire Co. My condolences to all of you and am sorry that I am not in Delaware so that I could attend the services and see all of you.

February 3 at 8:00 PM



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ML

**Michelle Mg Lampkin, Rn** posted:

Dear Mrs. Sipple, Becky and everyone in the Sipple Family....please accept my sincerest sympathy for the passing of Ronald. Ronald and his twin brother Donald were icons in my career teaching the DTCC nursing assistant students at the nursing home in Seaford. They were two legends when it came to giving my students a "REAL caregiving, learning experience". I can't thank all of you enough for having allowed them to share life experiences with myself and my students....my heart reaches out to you all as I know the sadness you are feeling right now. Please know that you are in my thoughts and prayers. I only wish I was close enough to tell you in person. Please take this hug ( ) and feel the warmth I am sending you today. I will be thinking of you this afternoon, I promise....Sincerely, Michelle

February 3 at 8:00 PM

JG

**John Gardner** posted:

He will greatly missed.

February 2 at 8:00 PM

BW

**Betty White** posted:

Aunt Boots, Becky and Michael, So sorry for your loss and so sorry I won't be able to come to the services. Please know you are in my thoughts and prayers.

February 2 at 8:00 PM

JJ

**Joe And Stephanie Jones** posted:

SO SORRY FOR YOUR YOUR LOSS

February 2 at 8:00 PM

JS

**Jennie Mccabe-Severs** posted:

Your Dad was a wonderful man Becky. All my love and Prayer's to you and your family.

February 2 at 8:00 PM



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BO

**Beth Passwaters Overfelt** posted:

Gayle e-mailed me that Ron had passed away. It brought back a lot of memories of my early life in Bridgeville and the many miles I must have walked down that alley between our houses. Lots of good memories of your family. My prayers and sympathy to the family.

February 1 at 8:00 PM

GC

**Gerri Coble** posted:

I am deeply sorry to hear about Ronald's passing and hope you will find comfort in the happy times you shared together. May your heart and soul find peace and comfort.

February 1 at 8:00 PM

BC

**Bill And Frankie Carey** posted:

So Sorry For your loss!! Prayers go out to you and you Family!!

February 1 at 8:00 PM

VS

**Vicki (Banning) Short** posted:

Please accept our sympathies over the passing of Mr. Sipple. Bootsie, Becky and Mike and family, I'm so sorry. Vicki and Bob Short

February 1 at 8:00 PM

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JC

**Joanne And Mark Collison** posted:

We share your grief in this time of bereavement with deepest sympathy and condolence.

January 31 at 8:00 PM



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**Bruce And Jen Parsons** posted:

Sending our thoughts and prayers during this difficult time.

January 31 at 8:00 PM



**Ellen Jarrell Hamilton** posted:

Our thoughts and prayers are with you. John and Ellen Hamilton

January 31 at 8:00 PM



# Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Ronald by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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