



# Ronald Leon Blakely

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**F**LORIST NOTE: PLEASE HAVE ALL FLORAL ARRANGEMENTS DELIVERED TO PARSELL FUNERAL HOME, LEWES, BY 3 PM, SATURDAY, MARCH 14, 2020.

Ronald Leon Blakely, age 72 of Rehoboth Beach, DE, passed away on Monday, March 9, 2020, at Delaware Hospice Center in Milford, DE. He was born October 18, 1947 in Denver, CO, son of the late Leon Edward and Hazel Henrietta (VanHousen) Blakely.

Mr. Blakely proudly served in the U.S. Army. He worked for Coldwell Banker Resort Realty, Beebe Medical Center and General Electric as a staff assistant. Cooking and crafting were some of his passionate pastimes.

Mr. Blakely is survived by his spouse of 49 years, Jim Smith; his sister, Judith Ross; his brother-in-law, Stephen Smith and his wife Colette; and family members: David S. Ross and Cynthia C. Ross.

A viewing will be held on Sunday, March 15, 2020 from 1:00 PM until 3:00 PM, at Parsell Funeral Homes and Crematorium, Atkins-Lodge Chapel, 16961 Kings Highway, Lewes, DE. Interment will be private.

Flowers are accepted or contributions can be made in Mr. Blakely's memory to the Brandywine SPCA, 22918 Dupont Boulevard, Georgetown, DE 19947 or St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 262 Danny Thomas Place, Memphis, TN 38105.

Please sign the online guestbook located on the tribute page.




# Events


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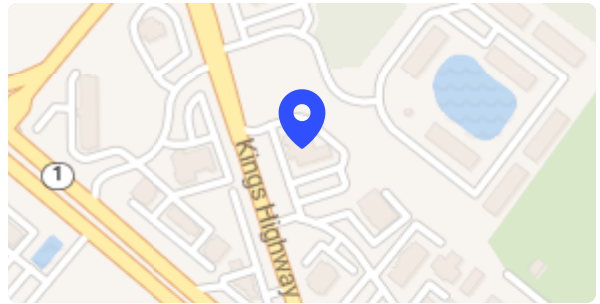
## Viewing

 **Sunday**, March 15, 2020

 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM ET

 **Parsell Funeral Homes & Crematorium-  
Atkins-Lodge Chapel**

16961 Kings Highway, Lewes DE 19958





## Tribute Wall

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**Don Mitchell** lit a candle in honor of Ronald.



March 8 at 6:57 PM



**Sue Ashbaugh** posted:

Ronnie & I were great friends and neighbors from Jr. Hi for many years. He was always there for me and I have wonderful memories of our silly fun during that time. Knowing he was loved and admired is comforting. Sincerely, Sue (Rose) Ashbaugh

June 8 at 5:45 AM



**Sue Warrington-Doud** lit a candle in honor of Ronald.



April 24 at 6:14 AM

**SD Sue Warrington-Doud** April 24 at 6:16 AM  
A wonderful man



**Kim Jones** posted:

Had the pleasure to work with Ron for many years. He was a great guy to work with. He will be missed by many.

March 16 at 7:04 PM



**Kim Jones** lit a candle in honor of Ronald.



March 16 at 6:55 PM



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GM

**Gary And Mike** posted:

We will miss Ron's sense of humor. We were fortunate to be neighbors for 10 years, and after that share Thanksgiving every year. Thanksgiving dinner was Ron's pride, and he spent hours preparing a fantastic meal. We all enjoyed our 1-2-4 monthly cocktails and dinner until we moved to Palm Springs. The world has lost a bright light.

March 13 at 3:44 PM

RB

**Roy Boucher** posted:

We'll miss Ron, a lot - a great neighbor, an amazing friend, and a wonderful cook. He was good on the inside and out - the best actually. Roy Boucher and Tom Schiefelbein

March 13 at 11:15 AM

TC

**Tracy Cole** shared an album called **Ronny & Tracy**.



March 13 at 10:09 AM

TC

**Todd & Tracy Cole** sent a Full Of Love Bouquet to the Blakely family.



March 13 at 10:04 AM

TC

**Todd & Tracy Cole** lit a candle in honor of Ronald.



March 13 at 9:58 AM

SC

**Sally Chaney** posted:

Jim, I am so sorry for your loss. Really a shock. So glad I got to give him a big huge and kiss when he was at Coldwell a couple weeks ago. He is missed already!

March 12 at 12:19 PM



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ET

**Ellen Tolbert** posted:

So sorry to hear of Ron's passing. He was a dear, dear man who I enjoyed seeing at work at Beebe and later out and about. Blessings Jim.

March 12 at 11:34 AM

NC

**Nancy Cummings** lit a candle in honor of Ronald.



March 11 at 9:18 PM

NC

**Nancy Cummings** March 11 at 9:20 PM

Jim - I am so sorry for your loss. Ron was a great guy and I am so lucky that I had a chance to work with him. I will always remember how excited he was telling me about your trip to Maine and all the lobsters he ate. He had a special outlook on life and made you smile. My thoughts and prayers are with you.

LT

**Love, Charlene, Victoria, Joe, William And Thomas** sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Blakely family.



March 11 at 7:24 AM



**Tracy Cole** shared a photo to the **Ronny & Tracy** album.

March 13 at 10:09 AM



**Ronny & Tracy**



# Memories only last if you share them

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



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