



Ronald C. Topper

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Ronald C. Topper of Punta Gorda, FL and Lewes, DE, passed away on Friday June 23, 2023, at his home in Lewes. He was born on August 14, 1945, in Gettysburg, PA, son of the late Luther and Margaret (Cullison) Topper.

Ron served in the US Navy from 1966-1971 and was stationed at Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, where he was responsible for the handling of classified documents and information, spending much of his time on airplanes. Ron worked for DEE Paper for over thirty-five years, both in management and on their board, where he continued to serve after retirement. An avid outdoorsman and lover of nature, he often archery hunted in the Gettysburg, PA area on a farm and property close to where he grew up. Ron loved deep sea fishing in the Gulf and Peace River Bay, and from the docks at his home in Punta Gorda. He was also a Master Angler with his local Punta Gorda Isles Fishing Club.

Ron had many hobbies, including gardening and manicuring his landscapes. A true lover of nature, he found peace in the woods and waters where he immersed himself frequently. Ron loved the color blue, which represented his love of the ocean and the blue skies he spent so much time under. He loved traveling, could be found hunting at over 10,000 feet elevation for elk in Utah, or just at his local hangouts where he loved to be with his wife Patti and their many friends. His love of food, wine, and the sharing stories of the current football and sports seasons, as well as his fishing and hunting stories, of which Ron had many, were often the center of many discussions.

Ron was most proud of his children, Ron Jr., Michelle, and Jessica. He inspired each of them to do their best, but they weren't the only people that he inspired, as he taught many others about fishing and hunting and loved to hear about his grandchildren and many nephews, nieces, and cousins. Ron loved his wife Patti with all of his heart, and they spent most of their time hanging out with friends, listening to music, having glasses of wine, and taking care of their homes. They loved taking their boat into the bay and hopping to the local hangouts for cocktails and conversation. Ron was a very generous man, who always appreciated hard work and would always be there to help.



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He is survived by his wife of forty-two years, Patti Topper (Olsen), two sisters, Janice Nelson and Elaine Kanner, a brother, Luther Topper and sister in-law Lois Olsen, his son Ronald Topper Jr., daughter Michelle Kendrick and stepdaughter Jessica Charlton, five grandchildren, Jady, Bryce, Tiffini, Sarah, and Cody, as well as many nieces, nephews, and cousins.

A Celebration of his Life will be held on Wednesday, July 5, 2023, at 11:00 AM, at Parsell Funeral Homes & Crematorium, Atkins-Lodge Chapel, 16961 Kings Highway, Lewes, DE, where friends may visit beginning at 10:00 AM. Entombment will be private at the Delaware Veterans Memorial Cemetery, Millsboro, DE.

All who cannot attend the service in person are invited to join via live stream by visiting <http://www.parsellfuneralhomes.com/obituaries/permalink/11064232/LTWebcast>

In lieu of flowers, the family requests contributions in Ron's memory to the Multiple Myeloma Foundation, 4400 Coldwater Canyon Ave., Suite 300, Studio City, CA 91604 or to the Home Of The Brave Foundation, 6632 Sharps Road, Milford, DE 19963.

Memorial contributions are suggested to either of the following.

Multiple Myeloma Foundation at donate.cancer.org or to the Home Of The Brave Foundation 6632 Sharps Road, Milford, DE 19963.

Please sign the virtual guestbook located on the tribute page.

FLORIST NOTE: PLEASE DELIVER ALL ARRANGEMENTS BY 9:00 AM WEDNESDAY, JULY 5, 2023, TO OUR LEWES LOCATION.



Events

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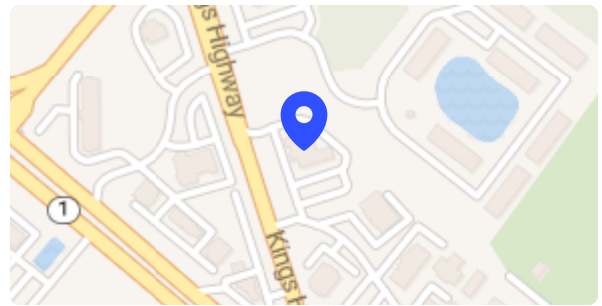
Visitation

Wednesday, July 5, 2023

10:00 AM - 11:00 AM ET

Parsell Funeral Homes & Crematorium-Atkins-Lodge Chapel

16961 Kings Highway, Lewes DE 19958



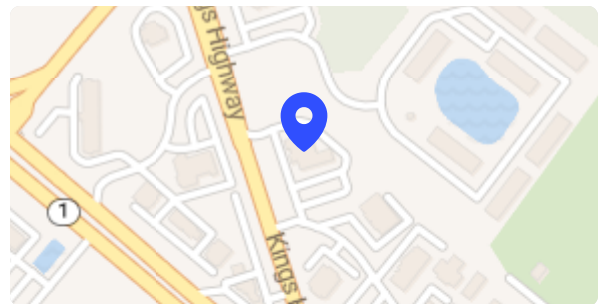
Celebration of Life Service

Wednesday, July 5, 2023

11:00 AM ET

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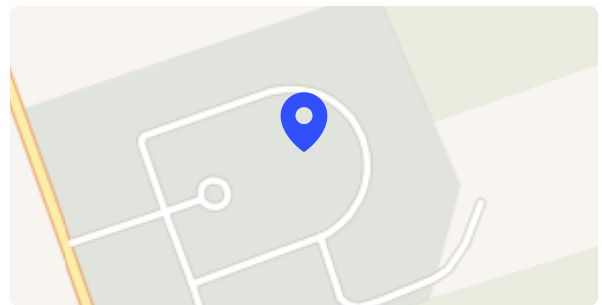
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Entombment Private

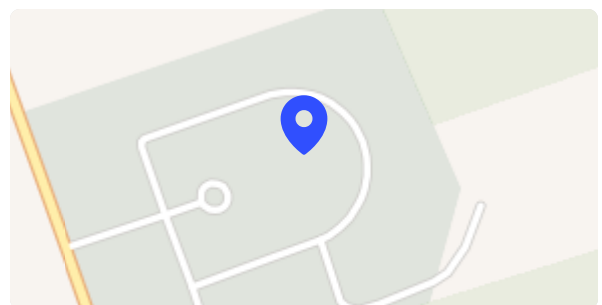
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Delaware Veterans Memorial Cemetery
26669 Patriots Way, Millsboro DE



Cemetery Details

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Parsell Funeral Homes & Crematorium shared a **Webcast Video**.



June 27 at 6:26 AM



John Grego posted:

RIP . My old Supervisor.Hell of a man. Grego from Dee Paper Co.

December 14 at 9:52 AM



Larry posted:

Farewell fellow sailor may you rest in piece. Pattie and family so sorry for your loss.

July 5 at 11:37 AM



Lee Simeone posted:

Patti & family, I am very sorry for your loss. I will not be able to attend the service but my condolences and prayers are with you during this difficult time.

July 4 at 12:50 PM



Jay Bowhall posted:

To Patti. & Family. We were very sorry to hear of Ron's passing. Johnny.& Ron are together again they are probably talking archery Jean & I will always have fond memories of the time we spent hunting together on the farm in Kemblesville. May. God Bless you all. Jay & Jean Bowhall

July 3 at 12:19 PM



Joyce B. planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Ronald C..



July 3 at 7:23 AM



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Anonymous planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Ronald C..



July 1 at 2:23 AM



Anonymous sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Topper family.



July 1 at 2:23 AM



Chris Pflaum posted:

Truly one of the good guys. He will be sorely missed by many.

June 30 at 6:11 AM



Fred De Mella posted:

Patti, Colleen and I are saddened. Please accept our condolences on your loss.

June 30 at 4:26 AM



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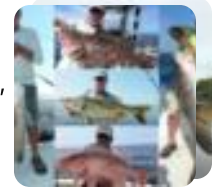
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Joe & Karen Udvari shared 2 photos to the **Tribute Wall** album.

Ron was a man's man who didn't suffer fools lightly. A hard worker loyal to his family, country, and good friends. Never late, extremely generous with his time and resources and a big soft spot for Dachshunds. He overcame several major injuries and health issues during his life, except for this last one. Yet he never complained and just focused on the silver lining of the clouds that hung over him. I and many others will sorely miss him, as he will miss the love of his life, his wife Patti. Karen and I extend our sincere condolences to his long list of friends, and especially to his family. As many of you know, he was an avid outdoorsman who loved to hunt and fish. I've seen and taken many pictures of him and his trophy fish but have only seen a few of him smiling. Maybe he just figured it's no big deal. Smile or no smile, his friendship was a big deal to me, and this is how I will remember him.



June 24 at 5:14 AM



Carrie Argro June 29 at 8:34 AM

Carrie, Ronnie and Dee Paper Company To the family, loved ones and friends it is with much love and great honor and respect for Ron Topper that we offer all of you our deepest condolences in his transition. It is with much regret that we learned of his passing. He was an excellent supervisor who would never ask you to do anything that he was not willing to do, such a hard working, kind and generous person that was willing to work with anyone to help them to better themselves. Thank God for his life and his legacy shall not be in vein. His life represented God well and it was a privilege and an honor to know him. Some people touch our lives only briefly while we can honestly say that Topper left a lasting memorable impression upon our hearts. We salute him for his determination to run his race with grace. God bless all of you he is now in the hands of the Master, to God be the glory.



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Aaron And Ellen Wagner lit a candle in honor of Ronald C..

We will miss Ron so much; his quick wit and his dry sense of humor always kept us all on our toes. He was always there to help even before you asked, and we had so many wonderful years of friendship with Ron and Patti while we lived in Punta Gorda. Ron will be missed by so many. Our thoughts and prayers go out to Patti and their family.



June 27 at 11:35 AM



Sherry Barrett June 28 at 4:08 PM

Patti, Frank and I are both so very sorry for your enormous loss. We both had a deep respect for the man he was, and know how deeply his loss is felt by you and your family. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and at this time, as I know how terribly difficult this has to be for all of you. He will be missed by all those that knew him, as he was definitely a wonderful man.



Paula Arnold June 27 at 3:00 PM

So sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you Patti and your family.



Lynn And Ron Marcuse lit a candle in honor of Ronald C..

We loved having Ron and Patti as our good friends and neighbors. We will miss him so much. Sending love, sympathy and prayers to Patti and family.



June 27 at 8:55 AM



Anonymous sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Topper family.



June 27 at 7:43 AM



John Gettinger posted:

Ron always caught the biggest fish. He always brought new ways to catch more and bigger back from Delaware to Florida. One of the nicest person's I will ever meet. We love him and you Patty. God bless you all John and Patty.

June 27 at 7:36 AM



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Ray Scott shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.

Ron was one of my best friends and I am very saddened that he is no longer with us. He was a great guy and although we didn't know him and Patti until later in our life we developed a strong relationship with them. Ron and I are Navy veterans serving around the same time. We enjoyed many Happy Hours WTH Ron and Patti both here and Punta Gorda. We would also fish together on the Chesapeake Bay and in Punta Gorda. Our grandson Cole loved Ron who helped him learn how to fish. I helped him haul a few deer back home in Lewes that he shot with a bow and arrow and we shared a love for football. Rest in peace my very good friend. Ray and Pat Scott



June 27 at 7:03 AM



Pat & Linda Pitcher posted:

Our hearts are broken for you & the family. Ron was a special person, loved his sense of humor& his smile. He will be greatly missed. Will miss seeing both of you walking the dogs, riding your bikes & our occasional fun dinners out together 💙💙💙

June 27 at 6:28 AM



Donnie And Rich Brennan posted:

We'll always have the memories of our great Alaskan vacation. He'll be so missed. Hugs and Kisses to you, my friend.

June 27 at 6:05 AM



Anonymous sent a Peaceful White Lilies Basket to the Topper family.



June 27 at 5:49 AM



Ginger Golba posted:

Alex and I have so many beautiful memories of Ron and all the fun we shared with both Patti and Ron! Sending thoughts and prayers to Patti and the entire family at this difficult time! 🙏❤️🙏❤️🙏

June 24 at 5:15 AM



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Rick And Pam Kilmer lit a candle in honor of Ronald C..

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Memories only last if you share them

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



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