



Ronald R. Roller

January 2, 1952 - March 31, 2018

Ronald Robert Roller was born on January 2, 1952 in Yakima, WA. to Adolf and Minnie Roller. On the same day, in the same hospital, Roy Andreas was born. Ron and Roy met when they were 6 years old and became life-long friends sharing all of life adventures and challenges together. At 6 years old, Ron found his love for baseball and a bat and would follow that passion for many years. Ron was part of the Pee-Wee baseball team from 1960-1966 and later was on the All-Star team in 1968. Ron played for the Davis Pirates all through high-school and graduated in 1970. That same year, Ron married Karla Moore and played baseball for the American Legion. In 1971, Ron played baseball for Bellevue College where he was selected in the baseball free agent draft by the Oakland Athletics Minor League as an Outfielder. Ron returned home in 1972 for the birth of his daughter, Jennifer. In 1975 Ron played for the Pepsi Pak.

Ron married Sharon Davis in 1976. In 1977, Ron played for the softball association where he was named "The Most Valuable Player". Ron played hard through the years as a pitcher and outfielder. He ran hard and fast, but what was heard throughout his baseball years was "Man can he hit".

Ron worked for PDQ Foods. He was part owner of the Sports Page Tavern and he managed The Pastime Tavern. Ron worked for Miller Beer as well as owning a process serving business. Ron also worked for R&R Beverage, United Rentals and Reddy Ice until back problems forced an early retirement in 2014.

On October 1, 1988 fishing at Buoy 10 was over so Ron drove back to Yakima where he happened to meet Carol Ann. Ron and Carol were later married in Coeur d'Alene Idaho on March 9, 1991.

In August 2016 we found out that Ron had Lung Cancer. Ron made the decision to forego any treatment. Ron left us on Saturday, March 31, 2018 in the comfort of his home. Ron enjoyed a full life of baseball, bowling, darts, short board, shuffleboard, hunting, fishing, trap shooting, camping with friends and family while having fires the size of Volkswagen's,

smoking, drinking, loud music and 4-wheeling. Ron's favorite thing to do was watching Dakota "The Rat" Johnson and Dane "The Mouse" Johnson play baseball. Ron was a happy guy.

Ron is preceded in death by his brother Gene Roller, Father Adolf Roller and his second wife Sharon Trout, and his "Forever Friends" Ron "Z" Zielke, Stan Chalupa, Neil Durette and Kenny Von Essen. Ron is survived by his wife C.A. Carol Ann, mother Minnie Roller, his sister Joan Roddy, his mother and father in law, Hank and Jeannette Ebbelaar and families. Jennifer Frenzel Emmerson (Jim, Lily, Dyan) Heather Hattrup Roebuck (Sam, Blake, Emily) Alan Jon Sandlin (Jennifer, Jalei, Aden Jon, Camden) Leslie Reitan (Tim, Dakota, Dane, Addison, Mikala Stein and Bentley) Eric Johnson (Victoria) and many aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces and nephews. Tracy Brachtenbach and his Ranch Tavern Family. Special Thanks to Hospice nurse Ute Dedmoore and case worker Ellen Rowley. Our love and appreciation to Leslie Reitan, Dakota "The Rat" Johnson, Mikala Stein, Sherry De Leo Arballo and Roy Andreas for your loving care with Ron. We could not have done this without you. Thank you all for making Rollers' World his way.

At Ron's insistence there will be no service. Please bring your beverage of choice and join us in remembering Ron and sharing memories on Saturday April 21st from noon until 9pm at the Terrace Heights Grange (3701 W. Birchfield Rd., Yakima, WA. 98901).

Comments



“ Amanda Thomas lit a candle in memory of Ronald R. Roller



Amanda Thomas - 4 hours ago



“ Melanie Alto lit a candle in memory of Ronald R. Roller



Melanie Alto - 21 hours ago



“ Sure loved this guy



Heather Roebuck - Yesterday at 08:56 AM



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Terry Smith - Yesterday at 08:51 PM



“ Ron, Bobby, Terry, and their Dads baseball team. God Bless 🙏

Terry Smith - Yesterday at 10:06 PM



“ Fun times in high school. RIP Ron



LeAnn Evans - April 06 at 07:49 PM



“ Ron was a great ballplayer in his day and I was impressed from the first time that I saw him on the diamond. The YMCA little league team of Tent & Awning Braves was lead by his pitching and hitting. RIP Ron!

Jack Shaw
Yakima WA

Jack Shaw - April 05 at 11:11 AM



“ Lois And Chuck Lantz lit a candle in memory of Ronald R. Roller



Lois and Chuck Lantz - April 05 at 12:56 AM



“ Cathy lit a candle in memory of Ronald R. Roller



Cathy - April 04 at 11:22 PM



“ Best “papa” ever. Thanks for taking me in as your own when my grandpa passed. Thanks for everything you have taught me and done for me since 2013. You will be very missed. Say hi to uncle Kenny and all my grandparents. Have a beer with my grandpa. Love you!

Tessa Nedry - April 04 at 10:11 PM



“ Hank & Jeannette lit a candle in memory of Ronald R. Roller



Hank & Jeannette - April 04 at 09:48 PM



“ So many memories of fun times at softball games, camping and 4th of July parties



Heather Roebuck - April 04 at 12:50 PM



“ Aunt Ria lit a candle in memory of Ronald R. Roller



Aunt Ria - April 04 at 08:58 AM



“ Judy lit a candle in memory of Ronald R. Roller



judy - April 04 at 01:34 AM



“ Carol and family, may you find comfort in the love and memories that you shared together. God will give you strength and peace in your lives, knowing tha there is eternal life. Ron is watching over you now. I love you, Sister.

judy - April 04 at 01:37 AM



“ 4 files added to the tribute wall



CAROL ROLLER - April 03 at 07:50 PM



“ THANK YOU FOR SHARING ROLLERS' WORLD WITH US....LOVE YOU....MORE

CAROL ROLLER-C.A. - April 03 at 11:06 PM



“ You both gave so much love to everyone.

Sherry - April 03 at 11:42 PM



“ I love you mom

Leslie - April 04 at 04:12 PM



“ Love and hugs to all of you. May god help you get through this ruff time and help to heal your hearts I am so sorry!

Cathy - April 04 at 11:18 PM



“ Sherry Arballo lit a candle in memory of Ronald R. Roller



Sherry Arballo - April 03 at 03:14 PM



“ You are loved and missed so much.

Sherry - April 03 at 03:14 PM



“ Thank you for being such a great guy. You were always there for me. I will miss you so much. You da man. Love you Ron. Love your sister in law Sherry. I loved sitting with you these last few months. It was a honor.

Sherry Arballo - April 03 at 03:06 PM



“ Papa thank you for being my rock and go to, you were my bestfriend and always will be. Now you are with "Z", Stan, and uncle Kenny. I will miss you everyday and never will forget you. Save a spot for me up there so we can go camping. Love you buddy



Dakota Johnson - April 03 at 02:21 PM



“ Beautiful memories.

Sherry - April 03 at 04:52 PM



“ I love you Dakota, and I am so proud of you. You are the young man you are, because of Papa He loved you more than anything. You were his Rat

Leslie - April 04 at 04:11 PM



“ Love you Dakota!

Cathy - April 04 at 11:20 PM



“ DAK...YOUR LOVE AND CARE WITH PAPA WAS A GIFT TO HIM....I AM SO PROUD OF YOU.....AS PAPA WOULD SAY "YOU DA MAN"PAPAS RAT....LOVE YOU GMA C.

CAROL ROLLER - April 07 at 03:00 PM



“ RON...THANK YOU FOR 27 YEARS OF MARRIAGE
30 YEARS OF MEMORIES AND YOUR UNCONDITIONAL LOVE.....ROLLERS
WORLD....
YOU DID IT YOUR WAY....LOVE YOU C.A.



CAROL ROLLER-C.A. - April 03 at 02:08 PM



“ MY HEART AND PRAYERS ARE WITH YOU SISTER. RON WAS A GREAT MAN WHO
IS LOVED AND MISSED BY ALL THE HEART HE TOUCHED.

Sherry - April 03 at 04:58 PM



“ We have lots of great memories over the last 30 year's

Leslie - April 04 at 04:14 PM



“ Beverly Thomas lit a candle in memory of Ronald R. Roller



Beverly Thomas - April 03 at 01:38 PM



“ Carol & family I am so sorry for your loss. I will keep you all in my thoughts & prayers.

Beverly Thomas - April 03 at 01:40 PM



“ So sorry to hear of Ron's passing. We cherish the wonderful memories of growing up on 8th Avenue and all those wonderful baseball games on the vacant lot! RIP dear friend.

(the Kukuczka kids-Linda, Lorraine and Lee)

Linda Peterson - April 03 at 12:54 PM



“ Pam Ebbelaar lit a candle in memory of Ronald R. Roller



Pam Ebbelaar - April 03 at 12:08 PM



“ Ron, Thanks for being such a great friend growing up. Don't be stealing any candy up in heaven!

Love,
Bob Lamb

Bob Lamb - April 03 at 10:56 AM



“ OH BOBBY...RON WAS SHARING THAT STORY RECENTLY..THANK YOU FOR ALL THE GOOD TIMES YOU SHARED WITH RON...CAROL

CAROL ROLLER - April 03 at 09:05 PM



“ Carol, please let me know if there is anything I can do. Would also like to talk with you when you can. Ron was such a great friend to a lot of the young baseball players. His dad and my dad coached us for many years. Ron was the best player of all of us. My number is 509-823-9933. I would love to share some stories with you and be a part of a memorial if you have one. Ron was special.

Love, Bob Lamb

Bob Lamb - April 03 at 10:25 PM



“ Thank you Bobby for sharing this

Leslie - April 04 at 11:04 PM



“ Thank you Ron for NEVER abusing our daughter. RIP son-in-law

Hank & Jeannette Ebbelaar - April 02 at 08:37 PM



“ Please re-word this or take it off. This is not a place for soemthing like that to be said.
Thank you. Papa was a great man and lots of people were touched by him

Dakota - April 03 at 03:19 PM



“ I totally agree with you Dak.

Sherry - April 03 at 04:49 PM



“ I agree, too. Proud of you Dak, for bringing this up. Aunt Louise

Louise - April 03 at 11:24 PM



“ Carol and family we are so very sorry for the loss of your beloved Ron. Thinking of you every minute of every day. Praying that all your wonderful memories will some day lessen the pain in your hearts. We love you all so much. Ken and Debb

debby stark - April 05 at 11:03 PM