



Ronald Alexander

April 6, 1951 - December 9, 2021

Ronald Bruce Alexander, 70, Kansas City, Kansas, died Thursday, December 9, 2021, at his home. He was born April 16, 1951, the son of W. Van and Vi G. Alexander in Topeka, Kansas. Ron attended Crestview School, Capper Junior High and graduated from Topeka West High School in 1969. He attended the 1969 Indianapolis 500 and was a member of Trinity Presbyterian Church.

Ron was an engineering technician for the Kansas Department of Transportation and Kansas Department of Health & Environment in Topeka. He also worked at a service station on Gage Avenue across from the Topeka Zoo. He enjoyed working on automobiles and began a new career with NAPA at the North Topeka store.

Ron then moved to Strong City, Kansas, where he operated the NAPA Chase County store. He served the community as an EMT and deputy county sheriff. Ron was almost as well-known as his bulldog Vernon. He had racing fever enjoying 1/8 mile drag racing events in eastern Kansas. His winter activities included attending the annual Flatlands Ski Association Races in Colorado in February. He sold the business and moved to Kansas City, Kansas.

Ron resumed his career with NAPA working in the warehouse in Armourdale district. Once again had a constant companion, bulldog Bubba. Ron retired a few years ago and joined the MAGA movement. He recently had total knee replacement surgery.

Ron loved adventures such as: canoeing on Ozark rivers, bungee jumping, riding in the back of a fighter airplane, driving a race car around the Kansas Speedway and going 200 MPH in his sling shot dragster.

He will be missed family and friends.

Ron was preceded in death by his father, Van Alexander and mother, Vi Alexander. He is survived by his brothers, Roger Alexander (Char), Topeka, and Robert Alexander (Laura), Wakarusa; nieces, Yvette Miceli, Loch Llyod, Missouri and Danielle Sieverling, Arlington, Virginia; and nephews, Aaron Alexander, Topeka, Brandon Alexander, Mound City, Kansas and Dalton Alexander, Wakarusa.

Cremation is planned. No formal services are scheduled. Inurnment will be in Shawnee Center Cemetery in Shawnee County, Kansas. A celebration of life is planned for Saturday, April 16, 2022. Memorial contributions may be made to Tunnel to Towers Foundation at t2t.org or sent in care of Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home, 2801 SW Urish Road, Topeka KS 66614.

Tribute Wall



“ *Ronald Alexander*

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“ *Ron became a friend and part of the NAPA family in the 70's and it has been great working with him all these years. I enjoyed all the time we chatted on the phone (A lot) over the years. Ron (nick name Cone Head) always had something to share and care about his friends & family. "You know what I mean Vern" as Ron would say. He will be missed.
Rest in peace Ron.*

Jerry Payne - December 20, 2021 at 11:47 AM



“ *Grew up with Ron since grade school where we became life long friends. To say Ron lived a full life is a under statement. There was not much that Ron had not done and he was always looking for more. From motorcycles to racing go karts to cars for the drag strip Ron had done it. I enjoyed all the phone calls we had over the years, loved to wind him up over politics. Our person to person visits over the years were always full of stories and the best part was you knew everything he was saying was true.*

Yes Ron lived a very full life and was still looking for more. You will be missed.

Rest in Peace you made a difference in this place we call Earth.

Steve Carriger

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“ Ron and I met at NAPA when he lived in Strong City. He was a fun and funny guy with such a big love for his dogs and speed! He always pretended to be such a tough guy but he had a heart of gold. We kept in touch for many years and then life got too busy. The best/worst time I had with Ron was one time he came to Topeka to go Christmas shopping and convinced me that I needed to go with him. I can't even remember where we went but I do remember doing a 180 in seconds in the middle of Wanamaker Road on the ice and snow. I was screaming and mad and he was totally laughing his head off. He thought it was loads of fun to tease me! The world is a little slower place without Ron in it - RIP my friend ...

Rena Carmona - December 17, 2021 at 11:54 AM

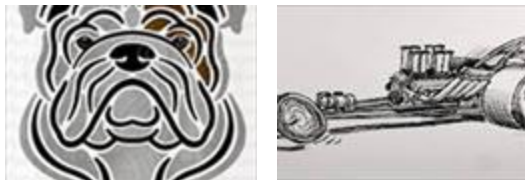
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“ Ron and I worked together at Avtec back in the late 90's and we remained in touch ever since. He was a really good guy and I will miss our chats on the phone. Rest in Peace friend.

Jerry OCarroll - December 17, 2021 at 09:59 AM



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