



## Ronald Merle Hansen

June 6, 1961 - March 12, 2026

Ronald M. Hansen was born in Omaha, Nebraska on June 6, 1961, to Merle and Jeanette (Schuknecht) Hansen. Ron grew up in Elkhorn where he attended grade school and graduated from Cedar Bluffs High School in 1979. Growing up, Ron enjoyed being on the Hansen family farm and farming with his dad and grandpa John, siblings and cousins, riding minibikes, fishing and driving tractors.

Ron married Cynthia Hansen in 2000, but she passed away from cancer in 2009. Ron then married Linda Reed on March 4, 2014, in Hawaii. Ron and Linda made their home in Omaha.

Ron worked for a number of years with the Omaha Public Power District in various positions. He was primarily a draftsman, working closely with the engineering department drawing maps to show power distribution, circuit information for Quality Control, and even the outage maps used on the websites and local TV stations.

Ron was a knowledgeable, talented, creative, kind and adventurous man, who liked learning. He put his creativity to use by painting in watercolors, making a bourbon barrel, and solving complex problems. He taught himself to play guitar and tried his hand at writing songs and poetry. He enjoyed fishing in Minnesota, golfing, bourbon tasting, and vacationing in warm weather locations. He loved his grandma's bread pudding and going to outdoor events, like music in the park. He was a huge fan of the Huskers and went to numerous games through the years with his dad. He was happy on the golf

course or riding his motorcycle, and he was passionate about saving the Sea Turtles in Florida.

Ron was compassionate towards his family and friends. He may have been a bit rough around the edges at times, but it came from a good place. He was a genuinely kind person around everyone, and he liked having a good time. He loved hard and cared hard. No matter what life threw at him, he always tried to stay positive.

Ron died unexpectedly at his home in Omaha on March 12, 2026, at the age of 64 years, 9 months and 6 days. He was preceded in death by his grandparents, parents Merle & Jeanette Hansen, 2nd wife Cynthia Hansen, and infant brother and sister Lynn and Linda. Survived by wife Linda of Omaha, sister Susan (Carl) Chaney of Fremont, nieces Amanda Bittner and Melissa Peterson and their families, and his dog, Shelby.

Funeral services will be Thursday, March 19 at 11 AM at Reichmuth Funeral Home, Elkhorn with visitation one hour prior to the service. Interment Prospect Hill Cemetery, Elkhorn. Memorials to the family for later designation.

# Cemetery Details

## Prospect Hill Cemetery of Elkhorn

21901 W. Maple Road  
Omaha, NE 68022

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 19. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Reichmuth Funeral Home - Omaha / Elkhorn  
21901 W. Maple Rd.  
P.O. Box 711  
Elkhorn, NE 68022  
402-289-2222  
[services@reichmuthfuneralhomes.com](mailto:services@reichmuthfuneralhomes.com)  
<https://www.reichmuthfuneralhomes.com/>

## Funeral Service

MAR 19. 11:00 AM (CT)

Reichmuth Funeral Home - Omaha / Elkhorn  
21901 W. Maple Rd.  
P.O. Box 711  
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# Tribute Wall



“ *The Valyer Family purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Ronald Merle Hansen.*



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**The Valyer Family** - March 18 at 06:46 AM



“ *The Valyer Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ronald Merle Hansen.*

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**The Valyer Family** - March 18 at 06:46 AM



“ *Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Ronald Merle Hansen.*



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March 16 at 05:52 PM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Ronald Merle Hansen.*

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RV

“ Randy Vahle purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of Ronald Merle Hansen.



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**Randy Vahle** - March 15 at 01:22 PM

MW

“ Mike Chaney/Diane Wood purchased the Blue Caribbean Bouquet for the family of Ronald Merle Hansen.



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**Mike Chaney/Diane Wood** - March 14 at 12:21 AM

YF

“ your sister, 2 nieces and our families purchased the Lily and Rose Tribute Spray for the family of Ronald Merle Hansen.



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**your sister, 2 nieces and our families** - March 13 at 06:28 PM