



Ronald Alfred Jokumsen

January 17, 1939 - April 15, 2025

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Ronald "Ron" A. Jokumsen, 86, passed away peacefully on April 15, 2025, surrounded by the love of his family. A devoted husband, father, grandfather, and great-grandfather, Ron leaves behind a legacy of hard work, resilience, and unwavering devotion to those he held dear.

Ron was born in Iowa City, Iowa, and spent his early years in Neola before settling in Omaha with his mother. Even as a young boy, he formed lasting connections—including with his beloved horse, Rusty, who met him at the fence each day after school.

A proud Marine, Ron began his military service in 1956, serving at Camp Pendleton and as an MP on Alcatraz. His time in the service shaped him in more ways than one, even teaching him how to swim albeit through unconventional means after being pushed off a cliff by a fellow serviceman. After four years of service, he returned to Omaha and first met Cathy, a neighbor he had admired from afar. Though life took them in different directions at first, fate brought them together again during the blizzard of 1975, and they married soon after, blending their families with love and laughter.

Ron had a long and successful career in sales, managing the Bike Rack and selling Saturns and Chevy vehicles. He took great pride in instilling a strong work ethic in his children, ensuring they learned the importance of responsibility from a young age. He taught practical lessons—strength, fortitude, and resilience—values that guided them throughout their lives.

Though he wasn't one for grand emotional gestures, those who knew him never doubted his love. He was protective, consistent, and always looking out for his family's best interests—even if it meant choosing safety over style when buying his daughter's first car. His humor remained intact even in recent years, offering playful side-eyes to nurses and convincing a therapist at Madonna Rehab to invest in a Subaru.

In his later years, Ron found joy in the simple things—time at the lake, boat rides, tinkering in the garage, and catching up on FOX News. Above all, he cherished his family and the moments they shared.

Ron is survived by his beloved wife of 50 years, Catherine (Hays) Jokumsen, and his children: Jack Jokumsen (Mobile, AL), Brenda Jokumsen-Hausmann (Papillion, NE), and Bryon (Stacie) Jokumsen (Omaha, NE). He was the proud grandfather of Tiffany Sacher (Eric Sandoval), Jacob, Ally, and Evan Hausmann, Austin and Alyssa Fleck, and Logan Jokumsen, and great-grandfather to Wrenley Sandoval.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Marge and Jack Leonard, and his daughter Rhonda Anderson and son-in-law, Randy Anderson.

Ron will be deeply missed but fondly remembered by all who had the privilege of knowing him. His strength, steadfastness, and quiet but undeniable devotion will live on in the hearts of those who loved him.

In Lieu of flowers, memorials are suggested to the American Cancer Society.

Previous Events

Visitation with family

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

Reichmuth Funeral Home - Omaha / Elkhorn
21901 W. Maple Rd.
P.O. Box 711
Elkhorn, NE 68022
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Funeral Service

APR 19. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Burial

APR 19. 11:30 AM (CT)

Prospect Hill Cemetery
21907 West Maple Road
Elkhorn, NE 68022

Tribute Wall

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“*Jokumsen family, sorry for your loss of Ron. A few memories of when he worked for my Dad at the Bike Rack stick in my mind. Often he would have a Snickers in his lunch box and sometimes he would share it with me. As an adult seeing the Snickers commercials with people not themselves until they ate their Snickers reminded me of Ron. He would tease my younger sister Patti saying he was going to put her in the trash can. One time he did put her in a bike box which she thought was fun until he taped it closed. She says maybe that is why she is claustrophobic now :) Ron and my Dad, Gene, had to put out a dumpster fire. They were resourceful. Even though working at the Bike Rack was a good job I think he enjoyed retirement the most. It has been several years since I saw him but he seemed really happy. Hold onto your memories, I am sure there are a lot of great ones!*
Leslie (Osborn) Swartzbaugh

Leslie Swartzbaugh - April 19, 2025 at 10:50 AM

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“*Kevin and Jenny King and family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ronald Alfred Jokumsen.*

Kevin and Jenny King and family - April 18, 2025 at 05:29 PM

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“*Kevin and Jenny King and family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Ronald Alfred Jokumsen.*



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“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Ronald Alfred Jokumsen.* ”



April 16, 2025 at 05:44 PM