

The LORD is my *Shepherd*;
I shall not want.
He maketh me to
lie down in green pastures:
He leadeth me beside the still waters,
He restoreth my
soul:

He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness
for His name's sake. Yea though I walk through the
valley of the shadow of death.

I will fear no evil:
for Thou art with me;
Thy rod and Thy staff they comfort me.

Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies

Thou anointest my head with oil; My cup runneth over

Surely goodness & mercy shall follow me
all the days of my life;

And I will dwell in the house
of the LORD *forever.*
- Psalm 23

Arrangements by
Anderson Funeral Home and Crematory
Alexandria, Minnesota

I N L O V I N G
Memory

Ronald Duane Christensen

Age 82

October 28, 1939
Dawson, Minnesota

October 12, 2022
Alexandria, Minnesota

CELEBRATION OF LIFE

Monday, October 17, 2022 ~ 11:00 AM

New Life Christian Church
Alexandria, Minnesota

CELEBRANT - Steve Walswick

PIANIST - Connie Berghuis

SPECIAL MUSIC - Chordsman

CONGREGATIONAL HYMNS

“Amazing Grace”

“I Was There To Hear Your Boring Cry”

“Go Tell It On The Mountain”

HONORARY URN BEARERS

Amy Christensen Nicole Christensen Olivia Drake
Hannah Winterton Connor Christensen Wyatt Borden
Colten Borden Logan Borden

MILITARY HONORS

American Legion Post 87

Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 936

Marine Corps League Detachment 1409

Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 235

Minnesota National Honor Guard

INTERMENT

Grace Lutheran Church Cemetery - Dawson, Minnesota

Ronald Duane Christensen was born October 28th, 1939 to Russel and Marcella Christensen (Stempson) in Dawson, MN. Ron was a man of faith. He was baptized March 31st, 1940 and confirmed April 26th, 1953 at Trinity Lutheran Church in Dawson, MN. On his confirmation cake it was written: God bless your confirmation Ronnie. Best wishes for this happy day and for the future too. May heaven smile upon you and life be good to you.

Life was good to him. Ron joined the National Guard in high school and served our country for six years. Ron married his high school sweetheart Queen Doreen on November 12th, 1960. Ron was a hard working man. He built a career in the lumber business. He was manager and divisional manager for Great Plains Supply Company for several years. Ron also had his own business of RD & J Dairy delivering milk & dairy products. He retired as a Sentence to Service Crew Leader in Wilkin County, in Breckenridge, MN.

Ron and Doreen enjoyed their retirement in Mesa, AZ. For the first time in his life, Ron joined a softball league at age of 68. It's never too late. They enjoyed happy hours, pickleball, and he debuted in the theater as Zorro. His friends said it was the best \$2 they ever spent!

Ron was also a community leader. He served on many committees in the cities Madison, MN, Alexandria, MN, Brandon, SD. He held offices as church council president, president of Kiwanis, he was a member of: the American Legion, Lion's Club, Optimist Club, and Sertoma. Ron was proud to be a volunteer firefighter for 15 years in Madison, MN. Ron also was a church lector and usher throughout the various cities he lived in.

Ron treated his wife like royalty. He would always make sure she had a clean car with a full tank of gas, oil changed, her luggage was carried, the house was vacuumed and everyone's shoes were polished. Ron also made time for his children and grandchildren. He was there to be a supportive fan, provide a listening ear, help with any project and he also told you how it was good and bad.

Another great accomplishment in Ron's life was getting his pilot license and co-owning his Cessna N79284 airplane. Many family trips and adventures were made but make sure you were quiet when Dad landed.

Ron's hobbies were traveling, snowmobiling, camping, deer hunting, playing cards, reading a good western book, cold beer with peanuts and boating. But just hang on tight when he took you for a tube ride on Lake Carlos.

Ron had a long battle with Parkinson's and it wasn't easy on any of us but he was a fighter. He also kept the Knute Nelson staff on their toes by trying to escape but they lovingly brought him back.

Ron will be missed by many friends and family but we know he is at peace. We can only imagine the celebration in heaven.

Ron died on Wednesday, October 12, 2022, at Knute Nelson in Alexandria, MN at the age of 82 years old. He is survived by his loving wife Queen Doreen of 61 years; children Jim (Colleen) Christensen, Julie (Rob) Drake, Jon (Holly) Christensen, Jessie (Paul) Ortloff. Ron's brother Keith (Ardis) Christensen. Grandchildren Amy (Joel), Nicole (Angel), Hannah (Shelby), Connor (McKenzie), Wyatt, Olivia, Colten, Logan. Great grandchildren Drayke, Karson, Melia, Ezra. Several nieces, nephews, great nieces, great nephews and numerous family members. Ron was met in heaven by his parents Russel and Marcella Christensen, in-laws Leslie and Ida Vien, and grandson Darrin Christensen.

Celebrating THE *Life* OF



Ronald D. Christensen
1939 - 2022