

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



CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF

# Ronald A. Cline

JANUARY 23, 1943 – OCTOBER 5, 2022

Services At:

Assumption Catholic Church - Morris, Minnesota  
Saturday - October 15, 2022 - 10:30 a.m.

Officiating Clergy:

Father Todd Schneider

Pianist:

Linda Hodgson

Soloist:

Ken Hodgson

Readers:

Cheryl Shekleton, Tim Shekleton, Luke Blatti

Eulogy:

Kirby Cline

Gift Bearers:

*Ron's Granddaughters*

Hannah Cline, Jasmine Cline

Honorary Urnbearers:

*Ron's Grandsons*

Tyler Cline, Ashton Cline, Thomas Cline

Austin Blatti, Luke Blatti, Josh Mejia

Interment:

Calvary Cemetery

Morris, Minnesota

**R**onald Ashley Cline – dedicated husband, companion, dad, and Grumps – passed away peacefully at the hospital in Fargo, ND on October 5, 2022 at age 79.

Ron was born to Raymond and Josephine Cline in Cherokee, IA on January 23, 1943, and moved to Alberta at the age of two; he was one of seven children. He attended Alberta High School and was the starting quarterback, then enlisted in the Navy where he was stationed at Treasure Island, San Francisco. Upon his return to Minnesota, Ron met Mary Benson roller skating, and they married February 8, 1964. Together, they called Morris home and raised their five spirited children -- Troy, Rhonda, Chad, Kirby and Craig.

Ron was a visionary and artisan. He had the unique gift of seeing the potential in a person, a home built in 1912, an empty garden plot, or a broken oak dresser left on the curb. With his skilled hands and a Johnny Cash tune in the background, he could transform a space, grow food to feed the family, and refinish to perfection antique furniture. In the wee hours of the morning, you might even find him consorting with friends around the kitchen table playing his steel guitar, singing, and making memories. "Loose lips, sink ships!"

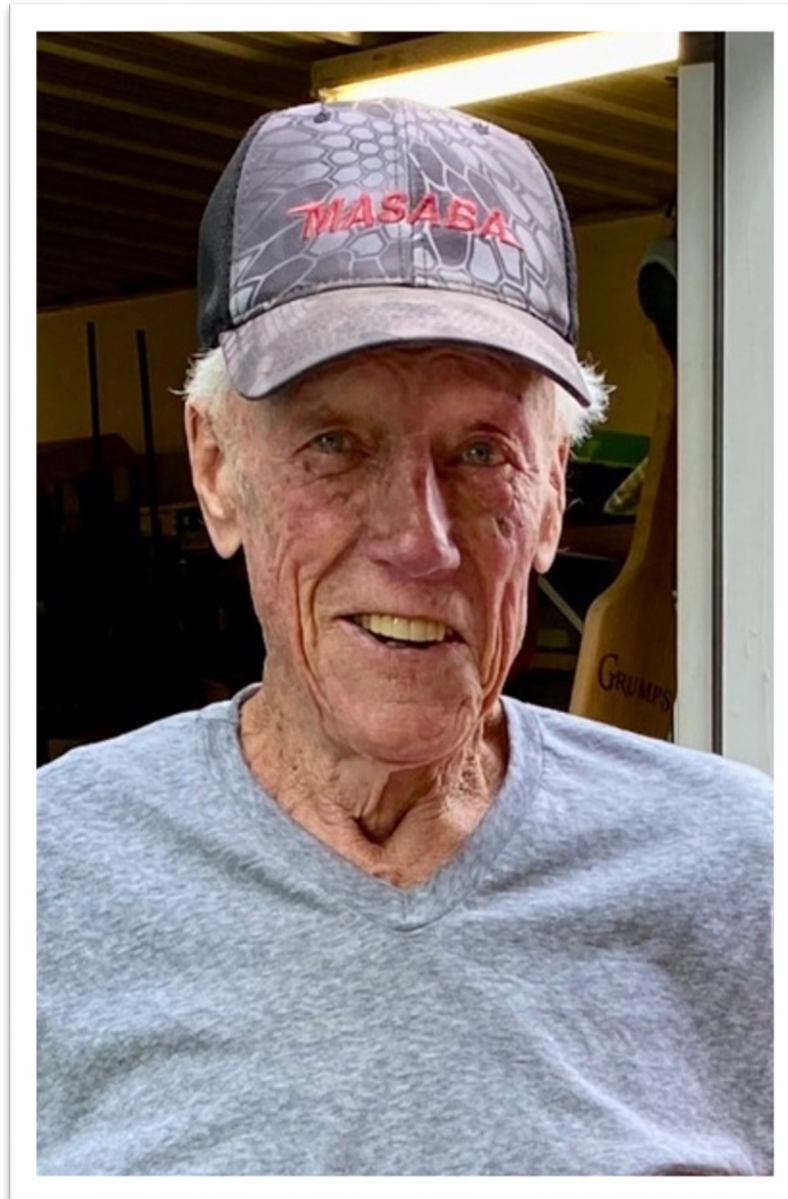
Ron spent 30 years of his career as the Head Painter at the University of Minnesota, Morris where he worked with a great crew and retired in 2003. He continued painting for several years until he was fully immersed into his antiques, garden, and family activities. In 2007, after the passing of Mary, Ron was blessed with the companionship and love of Lea Anderson as they traveled and truly celebrated life together.

Through the years, he enjoyed spending time with his friends and sons hunting, fishing, watching the Vikings, and playing cards. "Grumps" had a special place for his grandchildren and great-grandchildren, and the family gathering Memorial weekend each year. Truth be told, after three days, he was happy to see the backs of everyone's head as the cars headed down the driveway!

Ron's legacy will be his humble and kind presence, generous heart, love of family and friends, Irish wit, and classic one-liners. "We'll catch you at the river you ol' blister!" In the meantime, "Keep your chin to the wind and your eyes on your fries!" SKOL!

Ron is preceded in death by his parents, Josephine and Raymond Cline; his wife, Mary Cline; and sisters: Patricia Kisgen and Pamela Kussatz. He is survived by his fiancé, Lea Anderson of Morris; children: Troy (Marti Sue) Cline of Piperton, TN, Rhonda Blatti (Lee Schultz) of Alexandria, MN, Chad Cline of Morris, Kirby Cline of Aurora, CO, and Craig (Kari) Cline of Fargo, ND; eight grandchildren: Hannah Cline, Austin (Ashly) Blatti, Luke Blatti (Claire Zurn), Thomas Cline, Tyler Cline (Mariah Hilleren), Ashton (Kylie) Cline, Josh Mejia, and Jasmine Cline; three great-grandchildren: Beckam and Madden Cline, Adalynn Kelly; sisters: Geraldine (David) Hennen, Kathleen(Steven) Staples; brothers: Gerald (Audrey) Cline, Timothy Cline, brothers-in-law: Marvin Kisgen, Gordon Scribner, and Ronald Kussatz; and many beloved nieces and nephews.

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