



Ronnie Merritt

January 1, 1946 - October 26, 2025

Ronnie L. Merritt, 79, of Kankakee, passed away on Sunday, October 26, 2025, at Riverside Medical Center in Kankakee.

Ronnie was born on January 01, 1946, the son of Jack Lee and Nellie Monnett (Redman) Merritt. Ronnie worked for UTLX for many years as a paint blaster. Ronnie enjoyed working at the local Kankakee food pantry, fishing, playing slots, and bingo. He was also a veteran of the United States Army.

Ronnie is survived by his son, Michael Merritt; his sister, Carol Legesse; brother, Donald Merrit; 1 grand dog, Camo.

He is preceded in death by his parents.

Cremation rites have been accorded.

Burial will take place at Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery at a later date.

Cemetery Details

Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery

20953 west Hoff Rd
Elwood, IL 60421

Tribute Wall

MM

“ *Michael Merritt lit a candle in memory of Ronnie Merritt*



Michael merritt - January 01 at 08:29 PM

MM

“ *Well dad today was your birthday. You were right you didn't get to celebrate this one on earth. It was hard not calling you to wish you a happy birthday today. Wish ya were here. Save me some fish up there. Love ya and miss ya.*

Michael merritt - January 01 at 08:28 PM

BB

“ *Bobbie Barnett lit a candle in memory of Ronnie Merritt*



bobbie Barnett - December 18, 2025 at 11:56 AM

PS

“ *Ron I'm so glad I got to work with you at Marshall's. You were a hard worker. You could out work all these young people. I will miss our chats in the morning waiting to go into work. Rest in Peace my friend.* 🙏

Paula Sims - December 15, 2025 at 02:13 PM

LM

“ Ronnie was one of my favorite customers at the bank. He always was the kindest nicest man and would give the shirt off his back. Rest in peace, Ronnie. I will miss your stories and your kind nature.

Lisa Meehan - December 06, 2025 at 10:34 AM

CL

“ Ronnie, oh how I miss our chats, we were always very close and I want you to know ,I wish things had turned out better for you. I Miss You & I Love you till we meet again My Dear Brother....R.I.P. LOVE U💕

Carolyn LaGesse - November 29, 2025 at 08:48 PM

MM

“ Miss those days dad. Us fishing in the middle of the lake. The peace and quiet. Who knew those days weren't gonna last forever. You better save me a fish up there in heaven....love ya dad.

Michael merritt - November 25, 2025 at 11:43 AM

SR

Good bye my friend until we meet again you are a good friend

Silvester Riojas - November 26, 2025 at 09:15 AM