



Ronnie P. Miller

December 29, 1956 - March 1, 2025

Ronnie Paul Miller, 68, of Kankakee, passed away Saturday, March 1, 2025, at Ascension Saint Mary's Hospital in Kankakee.

He was born December 29, 1956, in Kankakee, the son of Melvin and Delores (Regnier) Miller. He married Kimberly Morrissette on November 5, 2001, in Lakeland, Florida.

Ronnie was a successful businessman who turned his passion for hydraulic repair into a thriving business. What began as a small operation in his parents' garage evolved into a successful hydraulic repair shop known for its exceptional service and earning a great reputation throughout the Kankakee area.

Beyond his professional achievements, Ronnie was a passionate boater and water skier, making the most of every moment on the water. He could often be found waterskiing and ripping across the wake in his boat, even as the weather turned brisk in November. His antics on the water were legendary, especially when his hilarious stubborn personality debated the local boat police on where the wake zone started. The boat police could always rely on him to challenge their authority with a wink and a grin, turning simple boating regulations into a hilarious game of cat and mouse.

Ronnie cherished his time spent at his vacation home in Florida, where he skied with professional athletes in pursuit of perfecting his skills in the sport he loved. His adventurous spirit extended beyond the water; he and his wife enjoyed traveling the country in their RV, creating countless memories along the way.

He is survived by his loving wife, Kimberly Miller of Kankakee; two daughters and sons-in-law; Annie and Jesse Esquivel of Houston, TX & Katie and Gregory Davis of Houston, TX; two step-sons, Christopher Cluver of Kankakee and Nicholas Cluver of Kankakee; brother and sister-in-law, Devan and Darlene Miller of Fort Worth, TX; and sister, Trina Carraher of Kankakee. He is preceded in death by his parents.

Visitation will be held Thursday, March 6, 2025, from 4 p.m. until 8 p.m. at Jensen Funeral Home in Kankakee. A second visitation will be held Friday, March 7, 2025, at 10 a.m. until the funeral service at 11 a.m. at St. Paul Lutheran Church, Kankakee. Pastor Karl Koeppen will officiate. Burial will immediately follow at Kankakee Memorial Gardens.

Memorials may be made to St. Paul Lutheran Church in Kankakee.

Cemetery Details

Kankakee Memorial Gardens

15 S 3000 E Road
Kankakee, IL 60901

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 6. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Jensen Funeral Home
3639 EAST State Route 17
Kankakee, IL 60901
jensenfuneralhomes@yahoo.com

Visitation

MAR 7. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Paul Lutheran Church
Kankakee, IL 60901

Funeral Service

MAR 7. 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Paul Lutheran Church
Kankakee, IL 60901

Tribute Wall

DP

“ *Kim,
Sending peace, prayers and blessings to you
and your family. Hold tight onto the good
memories you shared together.*
Donna & Jerry Pombert



Donna Pombert - March 06, 2025 at 03:43 PM

RL

“ *loved the cucumbers he would drop off you have my deepest
sympathies*

Roger L Lattz - March 06, 2025 at 09:09 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for
the family of Ronnie P. Miller.*



March 05, 2025 at 10:55 AM

MH

“ Dear Kim,

I'm deeply sorry to hear about Ronnie's passing. He was truly a go-getter, full of life, and always so much fun to be around. I will forever cherish the memories we made, from our times together in Bradley and Gilman, Illinois, to the wonderful moments at your vacation home in Florida. It's hard to believe that my last visit there was almost eleven years ago next week—such special memories. Please know that you are in my thoughts during this incredibly difficult time. May you find strength and peace in the days ahead.

*With heartfelt sympathy,
Mark Hourihan*

Mark Hourihan - March 04, 2025 at 05:07 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ronnie P. Miller.*



March 04, 2025 at 02:55 PM

DD

“ *Kim, you have our deepest sympathy.
Don Decker and David Decker*

Don Decker - March 04, 2025 at 02:30 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Ronnie P. Miller.



March 04, 2025 at 01:09 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Ronnie P. Miller.

March 04, 2025 at 01:09 PM



“ Lily and Rose Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Ronnie P. Miller.



March 03, 2025 at 04:29 PM



“ Kim, We are so very sorry for your loss .Ronnie was a Great friend and a Great guy! WE enjoyed him as a Boat club member and a River Rat . He will be sadly missed
Mike & Lisa Norman
Somerset Kentucky

Michael Norman - March 03, 2025 at 03:41 PM

BM

“ *Britt and Maggie purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Ronnie P. Miller.*



Britt and Maggie - March 03, 2025 at 01:37 PM

SC

“ *Steve & Alice Coffman purchased the Basket Full of Wishes for the family of Ronnie P. Miller.*



Steve & Alice Coffman - March 03, 2025 at 12:02 PM

SC

“ *Steve & Alice Coffman planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ronnie P. Miller.*

Steve & Alice Coffman - March 03, 2025 at 12:02 PM

CR

“ *Connie Rasmussen lit a candle in memory of Ronnie P. Miller*



Connie Rasmussen - March 03, 2025 at 11:37 AM

JM

“ *Jeremy&Jenny McLaughlin purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Ronnie P. Miller.*



Jeremy&Jenny McLaughlin - March 03, 2025 at 10:17 AM