



Ronald Eugene Ashworth

August 10, 1949 - June 23, 2023

Ronald Eugene Ashworth 73, of Lerna, IL, and a winter resident of Bonita Springs died on Friday, June 23, 2023, at his residence in Bonita Springs after an extended illness. Ron was born on August 10, 1949, in Mattoon, IL a son of the late James E. and Helen (McConnell) Ashworth.

After earning his associate degree, Ron became a transportation specialist working for TMX Trucking, H&F Trucking, and Service Equipment Company and finishing his career with Rural King where he spent 20 years. In his spare time, he owned and operated the Ashworth Covered Wagon Western Store and the Lerna Restaurant in Lerna, IL. For over 30 years he spent his vacations working at Loretta Lynn's Ranch in Hurricane Mills, TN as a trail boss.

Ron was a veteran and served his country in the U.S. Army. He was a member of the Central Community United Christian Church, the Family Worship Center all in Mattoon, IL, and the Springs of Bonita Church in Bonita Springs, FL. He loved spending time with his family and friends, camping, trail riding, boating, and showing and racing horses.

He is survived by his beloved wife, Tamara K. Ashworth of Lerna, IL; one son, Travis Eugene Ashworth and his wife, Mandy of Mattoon, IL; one daughter, Staci Lynn Ashworth Gillis and special friend, Delaine of Lerna, IL; four

grandchildren, Hannah Wilson Ashworth, Dakota Ashworth, Dylan Gillis and his wife, Whitley, Devon Spence and special friend, Kendall; one great-granddaughter, Tenzley Gillis and his many cousins, aunts, uncles, nieces, and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents and one great-granddaughter, Timberlyn Gillis.

A service for Ron is being planned for Illinois and will be announced at a later date.

To sign his guest register or to leave online condolences please visit www.ShikanyFuneralHome.com.

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Tribute Wall



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“ *caleb lit a candle in memory of Ronald Ashworth* ”



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“ *Ronald Eugene Ashworth* ”

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“ *So sorry for your Loss, really glad I got to know him, great guy!!!
Good times with you guys I will never forget!!* ”

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“ Ron was such an amazing man. Regardless of where or when you saw Ron, he always had a huge smile. Loved getting to visit with Tammi and Ron at Loretta Lynn's. Love and sympathy to his family.
DiAnn Casteel

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