



Ronald William Reiss

March 31, 1952 - January 3, 2025

Ronald “Ron” Reiss passed away after a brief illness on January 3, 2025, in Orange City, Florida.

He is survived by his wife of 48 years, Dorothy “Gail”, adult children Terrin Stolley (Tyson) and Carri Malatesta (Craig), grandson Peter (7) and sister Sharon McGaffigan (Matt). He is preceded in death by his parents, Donald F. and Margaret A. Reiss.

Ron was born on March 31, 1952, in Ravenna, Ohio and moved with his family to Florida when he was 7 years old. Ron and Gail met in the library of Edgewater High School and were proud to be high school sweethearts. He was a devoted father to Terrin and Carri and he rejoiced in being Grandpa to Peter who he called his “Little Buddy.” Ron was an Eagle Scout in his youth and was thrilled when Peter joined the Cub Scouts.

Professionally, he celebrated over 40 years in the automatic fire protection industry, was a

wealth of knowledge and was respected by friends, colleagues and industry professionals.

He was the man who always seemed to know how to do everything, loved his family, being out on his boat (almost catching fish) and had the best sense of humor—coining many “Reiss-isms” over the years. He will be greatly missed.

A celebration of life is scheduled for January 11, 2025, at 1pm at the Community Church in DeBary located at 41 W Highbanks Road, DeBary, FL. There will be a visitation also at the church for the hour preceding the service. A reception will follow in the fellowship hall.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the following charitable organizations in Ron’s memory:

- Community Church, DeBary, FL - <https://www.gocommunity.church/>
- Scouting America, Central Florida Council - <https://www.cflscouting.org/gifts/>

Previous Events

Public Visitation

JAN 11. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Community Church
41 W Highbanks Road
DeBary, FL

Celebration of Life

JAN 11. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Community Church
41 W Highbanks Road
DeBary, FL

Reception

JAN 11. 2:00 PM (ET)

Community Church
41 W Highbanks Road
DeBary, FL

Fellowship Hall

Tribute Wall



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Ronald William Reiss.

January 12, 2025 at 04:22 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Ronald William Reiss.



January 10, 2025 at 03:12 PM



“ The pastors, staff, and congregation members of Grace United Methodist Church of St. Augustine, FL wish to extend their sincere Christian sympathy to the family at this time of sorrow.

Grace United Methodist Church C/O Peggy - January 10, 2025 at 12:31 PM



“ The Apex Group purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Ronald William Reiss.



The Apex Group - January 10, 2025 at 11:59 AM

TG

“ The Apex Group planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ronald William Reiss.

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DC

“ We were blessed to be neighbors with the Reiss family when we lived in Valrico for several years. Ron was always kind and gentle and never hesitated to help whenever we needed it. One thing I remember was that he loved his smoker and insisted on smoking our Thanksgiving turkey for us one year! We thoroughly enjoyed it. 10 years ago, I made a trip back to Valrico and was lucky enough to have a quick visit with Ron and Gail.

Chris and I send our deepest condolences. May his memory be eternal.

Chris and Donna Costa



Donna Costa - January 08, 2025 at 10:38 PM

LF

“ Love your Kingswood Family purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Ronald William Reiss.



Love your Kingswood Family - January 08, 2025 at 06:19 PM

LF

“ Love your Kingswood Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ronald William Reiss.

Love your Kingswood Family - January 08, 2025 at 06:19 PM

JF

“ Jack & Sarah Warren and Family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Ronald William Reiss.



Jack & Sarah Warren and Family - January 08, 2025 at 05:52 PM

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