



Ronald Lee Whitesell

May 23, 1942 - September 30, 2021

Ronald Lee Whitesell, 79, of Huntington, died Thursday, September 30, 2021, peacefully at home surrounded by family.

Ronald was born May 23, 1942 to Albert and Olive Weinley Whitesell in Huntington. He was employed for 32 years as a Test Design Engineer at MagneTek where he met his future wife. He was married November 29, 1964 to Dianna L. Johnson Whitesell in Huntington, Indiana.

He graduated from Huntington High School in 1960 where he played Varsity Football. He was a member of St. Peter's First Community Church where he spent many Thursday evening Story Hours with the young kids of the church. A 10 Year member of the Girl Scouts of America he loved assisting his wife on Girl Scout Trips and Functions. There was nothing more important to Ron than his family and making little kids smile.

He enjoyed reading J.K. Rowling, David Eddings, and Robert Jordan book series. He had a passion for designing contraptions and building parthenons, castles, and the perfect retirement home for his love, camping but not fishing and spending time with his grandkids. And remember - when you go to the store for milk you always get "free" cookies.

He is survived by his wife; his 2 daughters, Sondra (Gary) Fowler and Dawn

(Steve) Williams; Sisters Karen Whitesell Conwell and Marsha (Robert) Bowers; and 3 Grandchildren, Grace Fowler, Nick (Fiance` Morgan Kappel) Williams and Garrett Fowler; and Tuffy Puppy. He was preceded in death by his parents and brother, Gary Whitesell.

Visitation will be from 3:00 pm - 7:00 pm Sunday, October 10, 2021 at Bailey-Love Mortuary, 35 West Park Drive, Huntington, IN. Funeral services will be held at 11:00 am Monday, October 11, 2021 at St. Peter's First Community Church with Pastor Adam Jones and Pastor Richard Strick officiating. There will be one hour of visitation prior to the service. Burial will be in St. Peter's First Cemetery in Huntington.

Memorials may be made to St. Peter's First Community Church in care of Bailey-Love Mortuary 35 West Park Drive, Huntington, In. 46750.

Please sign the online guest book at www.baileylove.com.

Bailey-Love Mortuary is honored to serve the family of Ronald Lee Whitesell.

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **10.** 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Adkins Bailey-Love Mortuary
35 West Park Drive
Huntington, IN 46750
(260) 356-1710
wecare@baileylove.com
<https://www.baileylove.com>

Service

OCT **11.** 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Peter's First Community Church
206 Etna Ave.
Huntington, IN

Tribute Wall



“ *Bailey-Love Mortuary has created this video tribute in memory of Ronald.* ”



Adkins Bailey-Love Mortuary - October 03, 2021 at 05:33 PM



“ *I'm so sorry for your loss of your brother, Ron, My prayers and thoughts are with you, praying God will comfort you during this difficult time, Love you Karen, Gerry* ”

Gerry Claghorn - October 11, 2021 at 09:28 AM



“ *We were very sorry to hear of Ron's passing. Praying for all the family during this difficult time. May God continue to comfort you Love, Al and Kammie* ”



Al and Kammie Thorn - October 09, 2021 at 03:54 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Ronald Lee Whitesell.* ”



October 07, 2021 at 12:12 PM

JB

“ *Very sorry to hear about the passing of Ron. I was fortunate to have worked for Ron during my early years at Triad - Utrad / MagneTek. I still look back at those years as the best. I learned so much from Ron and never got more enjoyment from any other job. He was that kind of guy.*

Thoughts and prayers to Diana and the family.

Jeff Barts

Jeff Barts - October 04, 2021 at 10:06 AM

JA

“ *May the warm memories of the past comfort and sustain his family.*

J B Allen

J B Allen - October 03, 2021 at 01:23 PM

DC

“ *Dixie C. purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Ronald Lee Whitesell.*



Dixie C. - October 02, 2021 at 02:16 PM

CW

“ *Cheryl Warner lit a candle in memory of Ronald Lee Whitesell*



Cheryl Warner - October 02, 2021 at 04:48 AM



“ *Summer's Light Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ronald Lee Whitesell.*



October 02, 2021 at 12:41 AM



“ *My Uncle Ron was probably one of the most creative people I ever met as a kid. He always was building things that made other things easier. I wasn't smart enough to know what an engineer really did but something tells me that he probably was WAY more intelligent than anyone I have ever met in my life. He had a way to just create and problem solve that was amazing! I am beyond honored to have been asked to be a pallbearer. I wish I could be there to celebrate an amazing husband, father and uncle. He will be missed greatly but cherished forever. Phil and the AZ Lemar's*

philip lemar - October 01, 2021 at 11:34 PM



“ *To Ron's family and friends our thoughts and prayers are with you
Terry and Sue*



Terry E Scher - October 01, 2021 at 10:12 PM