



Ronald R. Cropek

November 4, 1938 - August 11, 2017

Ronald Russell Cropek November 4, 1938 to August 11, 2017 Ronald R Cropek, of Broken Arrow, OK, went home to be with his Jesus while peacefully in his home on the afternoon of August 11, 2017. Ron was also reunited with his beloved wife, Roberta M “Bobbi” (Welton) Cropek. Born in Westfield, NY, Ron was the oldest of 9 children born to the late Stephan Frank Cropek and Alberta Marie (Raynor) Stillman. Ron attended St. Mary’s Catholic School through the 8th grade and went on to graduate from Conneaut High School in 1956. He immediately enlisted in the US Marine Corps where he proudly served until honorably discharged at the rank of Staff Sgt. In 1972, Ron and Bobbi decided to venture west to Tulsa, OK where they started their new life. Ron worked for many years at Southwest Irrigation where he started as a supervisor, installing irrigation and drainage systems then moving to contractor sales and design, finally “retiring” in 2003. He then started his own business manufacturing downspout adapters and curb adapters which were sold across Oklahoma to various distributors until he finally sold his business in order to care for his Bobbi. Ron was a registered Boy Scout Leader for 47 years, helping to train hundreds of men and women as adult leaders and 1000’s of boys. He was involved in everything from Cub Scouts, PowWows, Boy Scouts, Pine Tree, Order of the Arrow, University of Scouting and Wood badge. He also held leadership positions at the District and Council levels. He received several prestigious awards including District Award of Merit, the Silver Beaver and the Bernard T Emery Award among many others. Ron was very involved in his home parish of St Anne Catholic Church in Broken Arrow. He was a member of the Knights of Columbus and would volunteer anywhere he was needed. He was a lector of the readings during Mass, he was an usher, but his calling was working with the Ministry of Compassion where he would stock and sort items and help distribute food to families in need. Always giving the kids a little treat on the side. He was preceded in death by his first born son, Ronnie Carl Cropek, brothers Steve Cropek and Richard Cropek, step-father Buddy Stillman, and brother-in-law, Adrian John Harvey. Surviving Ron is his sister Evelyn “Lynn” (Bob) Couch, sisters-in-law Joyce Cropek and Beverly Harvey, brother Albert “Bud” (Brenda) Cropek, half-brothers Robert Stillman , Randy Stillman, Danny (Jill) Stillman. Daughter Yvette Cropek (Johnny) Pinson, son Shannon Scot Cropek, grandson Beckman (Ashleigh) DeLarzelere and granddaughter

Kendra (Derick) Fields, and a precious great granddaughter Annika Marie DeLarzelere. Ron also has many nieces, nephews and cousins whom he kept in touch with over the years and will miss him greatly. Rosary will be held at St Anne Catholic Church at 301 South 9th Street, Broken Arrow, OK, Friday August 18th at 6:30 pm and a Catholic Funeral Mass at 10:00am Saturday also at St Anne Catholic Church followed by Graveside Military Honors at Floral Haven Cemetery. At Ron's request, Memorial Donations may be made in his name to: Boy Scouts of America Indian Nations Council 4295 South Garnett Road Tulsa, Oklahoma 74146 or Catholic Charities of Tulsa 2450 North Harvard Avenue Tulsa, OK 74115

Comments



“ Don't you give Mom a hard time because she turned 80 today! The weather here has been really rainy and I haven't come by because of that (and because its just to hard) I will be bringing by moms yellow roses by this weekend and I got something else for your grave. I thought of you when I bought it but I know Mom will like it to. I miss you both so much, and I wish there was a way you could let me know that you are OK with whats going on. I'm just trying to make sure that things are done the way you wanted then like we discussed. Check out the new legal name !

Yvette Crokek Pinson - February 28, 2018 at 05:43 PM



“ Another bad day, I can't seem to get motivated. I woke up this afternoon to "someone" yelling VETTE !!! Johnny said it wasn't him but no one else calls me Vette but you. Were you just yelling to get me out of bed? I still wish you would talk to me. I am sure the people that read this think I'm nuts...

Yvette Pinson - August 30, 2017 at 08:30 PM



“ You have at rest with Mom a week today. Seems like an eternity. Why do people stop posting on these things after the funeral is over? I don't understand why who won't talk to me . We talked about everything before and need you advice more now than ever but you won't answer me !Don't be mad at me. I am Doing the only think I know to to do! Sorry

Vette - August 26, 2017 at 09:20 PM



“ Tonight was your Rosary, it was very nice. Surprised at some of the people that came that we haven't seen in over 40 years, made me think of some great memories. I still need you to tell me what to do. Everything is such a mess. I wish I could have gone with you because I miss you and Mom so much but its not my time yet. Johnny and I have a life to start, I just hope it is nearly as good as yours and Moms. I wasn't ready for you to go yet and you said you weren't ready but ultimately its up to God. Maybe he didn't want you to deal with the drama here anymore. Guess I'll talk to you again tomorrow. I don't know why I come in here and post messages to you, I did the same thing to mom. I can't say it makes me feel better but maybe you can read it when you have time.

Yvette Pinson - August 18, 2017 at 09:10 PM



“ Great picture!

John Wylie - August 18, 2017 at 09:22 AM



“ Lit a candle in memory of Ronald R. Cropek

John Wylie - August 18, 2017 at 09:21 AM



“ The first time I met Ron Cropek, in 1967, I thought wow, what a big dude he was! Little did I know at the time, that big dude was to become my uncle. I realized over the years Ron had a heart every bit as big as the man himself. He was truly a "gentle giant". I'm so grateful to have know such a wonderful person and will forever think about him and how he would handle life's challenges. The family has lost a patriarch figure, he will be missed dearly. Ron, from one who understands what it means to serve, thank you for your service to our great country, thank you for letting us be a part of your life Semper Fi brother..GodspeedRJH

Randy Harvey - August 16, 2017 at 08:18 PM



“ Dad, I don't know what to do with my time now. I have picked up the phone to call you 100 times. My heart aches from missing you and our talks but then I'm so happy that you are with all of the family that you have missed. Thank you for allowing me to hold your hand and be at your side when you met your Jesus and reunited with Mom. I can't even imagine the JOY you are feeling now. I love and miss you so much. No one will ever understand the closeness that we share, then and always!

Yvette Cropek Pinson - August 15, 2017 at 01:18 PM



“ Semper Fi Ron!! Thanks for your service to our Country. We appreciate your dedicated service.. A great friend at St Anne's Catholic Church Broken Arrow, OK. You will really be missed during evening Mass Services. RIP Marine. Bob Gordon

Bob Gordon - August 15, 2017 at 10:05 AM



“ Ron was a great man and a true friend. He touched my life with his faith and his love. I will miss him greatly. Dcn. Steve

Steve Creed - August 15, 2017 at 09:42 AM



“ Ron was one of the best neighbor we ever lived by. He watch our place when we were gone as we did the same for him. He will be missed. Our thoughts and prayers are with his family. Billie and Jesse Isbell

Billie Isbell - August 14, 2017 at 11:05 PM



“ I will always be proud to be a cousin To Ron, he was my hero. God Bless

Jennifer June - August 14, 2017 at 06:39 PM