



Ronny Wayne Drain

September 16, 1947 - June 18, 2025

Ronny Wayne Drain, age 77, of Ozark, Arkansas, passed away peacefully on Wednesday, June 18, 2025, with both daughters at his side. He was born September 16, 1947 in Russells Point, Ohio. Ronny was of the Baptist Faith and a member of Calvary Baptist Church in Ozark. He was a Master Mason and a member of the Masonic Lodge.

Ronny lived a life marked by deep dedication to both his family and his country. He proudly served in the United States Navy, Marine Corps (Vietnam veteran), and Air Force, devoting a combined 26 years to military service, having received numerous military honors throughout his career. As an Explosive Ordnance disposal (EOD) Munitions Expert, he bravely operated in multiple combat zones where his courage and expertise saved countless lives. His commitment and sacrifice reflect a profound sense of patriotism and honor. Upon retirement from military service, he continued his passion in munitions disposal as a civilian contractor, to include work with active-duty units during the Iraq War.

Beyond his military career, Ronny was a man of deep passions. He enjoyed riding motorcycles, collecting firearms, and exploring antique shops. But above all, he treasured the time spent with his children and grandchildren. Whether sharing stories, teaching them something new, or simply enjoying their company, those moments were the ones he held closest to his heart. He

will be remembered for being loud, a little rough around the edges, and never one to sugarcoat the truth – but those who knew him best, loved him all the more for it.

Ronny was preceded in death by his parents, Paul Drain and Mary (Saxon) Drain, and his brother, JD Drain.

He is survived by his two daughters, Rhonda Loggains and husband Travis of Akins, Oklahoma and Teresa Plummer and husband Tim of Greenbrier, Arkansas; five grandchildren, Kelli Loggains, Tanner Loggains, Kailyn Crow, Tyler Mefford and wife Mei, Taylor Wyatt and husband Brock; and four great grandchildren, Tristan, Olive, Paul, and Rayland.

Visitation will be 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM, Thursday, June 26, 2025 at Shaffer Funeral Home, 2315 West Commercial Street in Ozark.

Funeral service will be 11:00 AM, Friday, June 27, 2025 at Shaffer Funeral Home Chapel in Ozark, with Brother Matt Bagby officiating. The service will be followed by burial at 1:00 PM at the National Cemetery, 522 South 6th Street in Fort Smith, Arkansas.

Serving as pallbearers will be the Military Honor Guard. Serving as honorary pallbearers will be Jim Cox, Mike Ivy, Elvis Ball, Jim Parker, and “Da Boys”.

To leave an online memorial visit www.shafferfuneralhomeweb.com

Cemetery Details

Fort Smith National Cemetery

522 Garland Street
Fort Smith, AR 72901

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 26. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Shaffer Funeral Home
2315 West Commercial Street
PO Box 680
Ozark, AR 72949
(479) 667-4147
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Funeral Service

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following funeral service, Mr. Drain will have a burial at the Fort Smith National Cemetery at 1:00 P.M.

Burial

JUN 27. 1:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ 1 file added to the album Slideshow



Byron Lasater V - June 26, 2025 at 12:49 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Ronny Wayne Drain.

June 25, 2025 at 05:41 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Ronny Wayne Drain.



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“ Sweet Liberty was purchased for the family of Ronny Wayne Drain.



June 25, 2025 at 12:07 PM

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“ Ron or as most of us called him "RED" was as crazy as "well the rest of us". He loved life, family, God and Country. He was a great friend to me and Jimmy and we had lots of great times. I always looked to see if his truck was home each time I passed the house. When Jimmy passed away Ron showed up at my job and we cried together. I always knew that if I needed anything he was just a phone call away. We could go out to eat and I knew that everyone in the place was going to get scrutinized by me or him one. Usually both. I will sure miss him and just knowing that he will never be home again makes me so sad. I love you Ron Drain RIP.
Nancy Campbell

Nancy Campbell - June 24, 2025 at 04:49 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Ronny Wayne Drain.



June 23, 2025 at 09:59 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Ronny Wayne Drain.

June 23, 2025 at 07:54 PM



“ *Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ronny Wayne Drain.* ”



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“ *KC purchased the Blue Caribbean Bouquet for the family of Ronny Wayne Drain.* ”



KC - June 22, 2025 at 01:04 PM



“ *I will miss. Have you as a friend, and chatting with you on Facebook. The rest in peace, my friend.* ”

John A Hartman - June 22, 2025 at 02:32 AM



“ *Truly A giant in our EOD community! We all have “Ron Drain” stories that will make you laugh and some that could make you cry. He was one of a kind!* ”

Roy McClain - June 20, 2025 at 10:15 PM



“ *Served with Ron as EOD Instructors at Indian Head Md. if you knew him, you could not forget him. Rest in Peace.* ”

Jerry Roh - June 20, 2025 at 08:59 PM

SP

“ *Ronnie was a really good guy and family friend. He had some of the coolest stories I ever heard. He will be greatly missed by all.*

Shawn Parker - June 20, 2025 at 08:20 PM

DP

“ *Rest in Peace, Ron. Condolences to the family, my prayers are with you.*

Doug Pesce - June 20, 2025 at 08:13 PM

LM

“ *When I was at my lowest, I looked up during my husband's funeral (Jimmy Garrett) and there was Ron... Jimmy loved you so much and you were always so kind and sweet to me. This world will miss a man like you, hope you and Jimmy are having some good conversations.*

Donna Garrett Madden

LaDonna "Donna" Madden - June 20, 2025 at 07:28 PM