



Ronald Owen Winters

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Ronald Owen Winters of Annapolis, MD born on May 24, 1935 in Washington, D.C., died at home on January 23, 2012 after a lengthy and brave battle with cancer.

Ron is survived by his beloved wife, Rosemary Dickson Winters with whom he celebrated their 23rd anniversary on December 24, 2011.

Also surviving are his loving family-daughters Donna Thayer and Sharon Clymer, his son Dale Winters and wife Karen, his sister Carol Winters and brother Patrick Winters, three adored grandchildren, Jennifer Thayer, Nicole Clymer, Shelby Winters and precious great grand daughter Ashlynn Zimmerman. He also leaves his step children-Tamara Radcliffe and husband Mark, Gregory Dickson and wife Dominique and grand daughter, Inez Dickson, Lillian Milstead and Warren Webb, Jr..

Ron was preceded in death by his brother Donald who died in the Korean conflict, his cherished mother, Dorothy Winters Evans, his grandparents Bessie and Douglas Winters and step daughter Diane Dickson.

Ron graduated from Eastern High School in Washington, D.C. where he made a name for himself in sports playing basketball and football. He also played baseball for the American Legion post and participated in Boys Clubs and several sand-lot teams.

In 1956 Ron married Joanne Pyles (now Connolly). They raised their three fine children in the Edgewater area.

At an early age, Ron became interested in a form of law enforcement serving on the Safety Patrol. He was encouraged by an entire family of policemen and firemen. Kenny Winters, Jr. was an MPDC Lieutenant and his Uncle Kenny Winters Sr. was a Lieutenant with K-9. His Uncle John Winters was the Deputy Chief in MPDC Youth Division. Uncle Harry Winters was a Battalion Chief for the DC Fire Department and cousin Clyde Winters was a DC Policeman.



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Ron joined the MPPD on January 2, 1957. He rose through the ranks from Private to Captain a position he acquired in 1972. During his police career he received many commendations and letters of appreciation. He attended American University and in 1971 and 1972 attended Harvard University.

He started his career in old #2 Precinct. He made Sergeant December 20, 1964 and was transferred to the 3rd District. During this time period he was instrumental in supervising the officers in their daily functions. On January 11, 1970 he was promoted to Lieutenant and transferred to 4th District where he was put in charge of the Detective Section.

During his career he innovated many of the programs still in use at the ID and Records division. Ron served the MPDC for twenty years and was on duty when many historical and political events occurred in our nation's capital. Among these events were the 1968 riots and was with the 13th Precinct-3 D when Martin Luther King made his memorable "I have a Dream" speech. He was involved in the inaugural parade of Lyndon B. Johnson. Ron had a second career designing for Yorktown Kitchens. Ron was a member of the BPOE Annapolis Elks Lodge 622 and the Fleet Reserve Club of Annapolis where he co-chaired their golf program and various events. Ron also served as President of the Kiwanis Club of Mayo.

Ron had four hobbies-baseball, his Washington Redskins, golfing and foremost his love of boating which was one of his greatest passions. Boating on the Chesapeake Bay was his greatest idea of a day well spent.

Ron had a special way about him where people were drawn to him because of his humor and general nature. He was a big guy who created many friends as he went through life. He was a joy to be around whether on the golf course or on his boat.

On Saturday, January 28th family and friends may join together for a celebration of Life between 2-6 p.m. at the Annapolis Elks (#622) at 2517 Solomon's Island Road, Edgewater, MD 21037. Phone: 410-956-2020. Any memorial donations would be appreciated in Ron's memory to the Hospice of the Chesapeake 445 Defense Highway Annapolis. MD 21401


Arrangements provide by Lasting Tributes Cremation and Funeral Care, P.A. 814 Bestgate Road Annapolis, MD 21401.

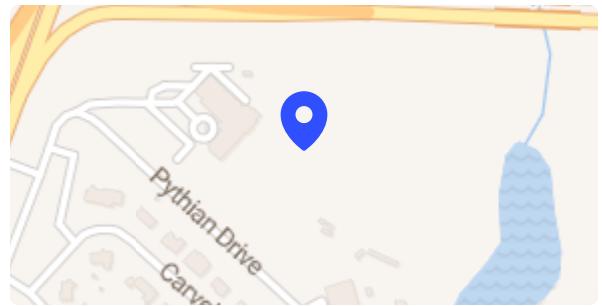


Service

 **Saturday**, January 28, 2012

 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM ET

 **Annapolis Elks (#662)**
2517 Solomons Island Road, Edgewater MD 21037





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Clyde Shippe lit a candle in honor of Ronald .

To The Winters Family,Ron and i had been friends since we were 14 years old. We played sports in high school and the American Legion. We then went onto the Metropolitan Police Department. He was a very fine man and will truly be missed.Clyde Shippe



January 29 at 2:14 PM

DM

Donna Diane Marshall posted:

Rosemary or Rosebud, (as Ron affectionally called you),You are an inspiration to all who know you-- your strength and love shines through your beautiful soul. Ron was very fortunate to have you as a soul mate, wife and friend. We send our love and prayers to you and your family at this sad time. Abiding Love. Donna and Forrest

January 25 at 5:24 AM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Ronald by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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