



# Ronald Edward Struffolino

August 27, 1938 - October 29, 2025

Ronald Edward Struffolino, 87 of Cary, NC passed from this world to his new life on October 29th, 2025.

Ron excelled at work and enjoyed participating in a variety of sports, especially golf during his later years. He worked & sacrificed his entire life to make sure his family had all they needed and could enjoy better circumstances than he experienced in his pre-adult years. Those efforts never stopped, even up to his final day, so he could provide for generations of his family - even though his goal had been completed many years prior. He will be deeply missed by his family and friends but was comforted in his final moments by the promise of a new life.

So we fix our eyes not on what is seen, but on what is unseen, since what is seen is temporary, and what is unseen is eternal. (2 Cor 4:17-18)

Ron was predeceased by father John, mother Lillian, and brother Richard. He is survived by wife Mary Kay Hartland Struffolino, son James Struffolino, daughter Debra Young, grandson Blake Young and wife Alli Young, great-grandchildren Maddie & Brooks Young, grandson Davis Young and wife Coty Young, and sister Patricia Robinson.

The family kindly requests no donations or flowers, or if you wish, a donation to a cause close to your heart is a nice tribute. Your love, kindness and fond memories are what we treasure most.

# Previous Events

## Memorial Mass

NOV **14**. 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM (ET)

St. Michael the Archangel Catholic Church

804 High House Rd.

Cary, NC 27513

<http://www.stmichaelcary.org/>

# Tribute Wall

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“ My mother, Virginia Struffolino, was Ronny’s aunt. I grew up hearing about “Ronny” often. My mom was very fond of him. I spent some time with him as an adult at our family reunion in Ohio over 30 years ago. From that point forward, my cousin was also my friend. Ron went out of his way to stay in touch with occasional calls and yearly Christmas cards. I loved talking with him and learned so much about the Struffolino family. Family was everything to him and was one of our central topics of conversation each time we spoke. I always hung up the phone feeling so uplifted and grateful to know him. I look forward to seeing him again in heaven.

Dianna Little - November 11, 2025 at 10:37 AM

MG

“ When I spent time with Ron camping, sharing meals with his extended family, or dancing at his grandson's wedding, he always made the time extra joyous. He filled the space with energy from his soul. His broad knowledge and willingness to jump in and help when needed will forever keep me trying to also live my life being a doer and sharing the gifts that I have to share. Thank you, Ron, for being a role model of how to bridge the generations and prove that you can still be full of life until the very end.

Mary Gunyuzlu - November 07, 2025 at 07:08 AM

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So beautifully said Mary. I'll forever treasure those camping memories especially. Our folks set a beautiful example of parent and grandparenthood. Dad loved you and Mark-your kindness, humor and so much fun to be around. Thanks for this post, and for your friendship always.

Debbie Young - November 08, 2025 at 09:04 PM

JH

“ I met Ron when we worked together at the Koppers Unit Structures Plant in Morrisville, NC. Ron was a "great guy" and a good friend who was a "Giver" and a "Pusher" in a good way.  
I have many fond memories of Ron, but one I want to share is as follows:  
When Ron was telling you something, either in person or on the phone, he always had this little laugh/chuckle at the end of what he was saying. In my last telephone conversation with him, 2 months ago, right before we hung up, I heard that little chuckle. What a great memory to end our earthly friendship with.  
Thanks for the good memories, Ron, and for being my friend and a "great guy".  
May God bless Kay, Jim, and Debbie in this time of sorrow.  
Joe Hash

Joe Hash - November 04, 2025 at 07:54 PM

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*Love this Joe, thank you for sharing this and for being such an awesome work buddy and friend to dad. We also ad such a good time years ago on our biking trip staying at the homestead you graciously hosted. Dad and his good-natured soul will be missed. Grateful for you and Carole.*

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**Debbie Young** - November 08, 2025 at 08:38 PM