



## Ronald "Ronny" Lynn Steptoe

July 11, 1944 - July 28, 2020

Ronald "Ronny" Lynn Steptoe, 76, of Lumberton was born July 11, 1944 in San Augustine, Texas. Our Heavenly Father saw fit to call him home on July 28, 2020 after a long, hard battle with kidney cancer and finally kidney failure. He was the only child born to Vandy Steptoe and Laverne Fox. As a child, he spent his early years running through the woods in San Augustine and completed his elementary school years there. As a teenager he moved to Beaumont and attended French High School until joining the United States Navy in August of 1961. For the next four years he traveled the world with our armed services until his Honorable discharge in July 1965. Ronny went to work for Gulf States Utilities in 1968 as a lineman's helper in the Beaumont Line Department. During his career Ronny was promoted within the Line Department and transferred to several different cities, where he made many lifelong friends. Ronny retired from Entergy as the Network Manager in Huntsville, Texas, and surrounding areas in 2008. After retirement he loved to get together every month or so with a handful of his special friends and discuss all the world's problems. He did not care what the topic was because he was going to take the other side anyway.

Ronald was preceded in death by his parents. He is survived by his wife of 42 years, Glenda Steptoe. Son - Robby Steptoe; Daughter – Christine Steptoe (Paul Fortner); Daughter Stacy Smith (Sammie); Daughter – Roary Steptoe; Granddaughter – Lindsey McCauley (Shelby); Grandson – Jerrod Gill (Allison); Granddaughter – Lauren Bridges; Grandson – Christopher Smith (Miranda); Granddaughter – Samantha Koch (Cody); Granddaughter – Amanda Bertling (Adam); Grandson – Luke Steptoe; Grandson – Jake Steptoe; Great Grandsons – Keyton & Kye McCauley; Jaren & Jenson Gill; Rush Womack & Cooper Koch; Great Granddaughters – Havanna & Haziley Smith & Kenslee Koch; Adopted granddaughters – Crysta Chandler, Nevaeh Albanese.

Poppa, as Ronny was known by his family and friends was loved by many. He was always the first one there whenever his family or one of his friends needed a helping hand. His young caretakers, Roary, Crysta and Nevaeh were dedicated to seeing to his comfort and his needs. They were a blessing to him as were all his grand and great grandchildren. Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, the family has decided to forgo a traditional funeral for a virtual timeline of his life through Claybar Funeral Home in Beaumont, Texas. Please enjoy

the memories of Ronald Lynn Steptoe and please remember him for the strong and courageous man he was!

# Comments

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“ A tribute video has been added.



**Claybar Funeral Homes** - July 30 at 11:57 AM

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“ I am so sad to hear this news. We loved Mr. Ronny! Prayers for you Mrs Glenda and Roary and all of the family during this difficult time.

**Courtney DuVall** - August 01 at 10:47 PM

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“ So sorry to read about Ronald passing. My thoughts and prayers go out to Glenda and the family during these dark days.  
I worked with Ronald at GSU for twenty-two years and it was a pleasure to see his handsome face in the yard at the Beaumont Service Center. Jean McClammy

**Jean McClammy** - July 31 at 10:40 AM

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“ I remember working for Ronny when he first became a Foreman at GSU. I am very thankful for what he taught me in our profession. Also for his help in making me a Foreman. He will be greatly miss.

Shelton Stevens

**Shelton Stevens** - July 30 at 04:50 PM

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“ 53 files added to the album LifeTributes



**Claybar Funeral Homes** - July 30 at 11:40 AM



“ A few of the James Bowie and FHS class mates remember Ronnie and thanks for the fine pictures. He was a quiet young man and very friendly. We did not know he lived in Lumberton.

**Jack Langston** - July 30 at 01:19 PM



“ So sorry for your loss. I remember Ronny from Bowie and FHS. He was such a nice guy. From the pictures, I would say he was a loving dad, granddad and great granddad. I know he will be missed by you all.

From an old classmate, Jerry Henderson

**Jerry Lou Henderson** - July 30 at 02:58 PM

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“ I first met Bear when I transferred to Beaumont he was an Assistant Line Supervisor then. We made a safety meeting in Ok. City once and he bought a \$10.00 cigar that he smoked on for several days. He was also a charter member of our "Team Building" group where we would meet and solve the worlds problems. He is a good man. - RL

**RL Grubbs** - July 30 at 08:54 AM

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“ Ronny had such a huge kind caring heart that made you feel Like you'd known him your whole life. His smile was contagious. He was always there to lend a helping hand or to just listen. I am grateful to have had the chance to know and love him. All my love to the Steptoe family,  
Jennifer Blakely

**Jennifer Blakely** - July 30 at 07:21 AM