



## Ronald Dean Allard

May 12, 1941 - September 30, 2023

Ron passed away peacefully on September 30, 2023. Born May 12th, 1941 in Omak, Ron grew up on the flat in Omak. He married the love of his life, Donna (Reed) June 13th, 1959. Ron pursued a career as an ironworker and worked on various famous structures such as the Kingdome, Boundary Dam, and Nordstrom's building in Southcenter Mall in Seattle.

In his early years, Ron was an active horseman training and riding. He participated in the Omak Stampede scramble and enjoyed roping and bulldogging. He gave his love of horses to his daughter, Laurie.

Ron also loved to turn his hobbies into businesses. The first was when he started collecting tropical fish and collected enough to open The Fish Store in Okanogan. He later got interested in beekeeping and turned it into a 50-year business. His greatest joys in life were mentoring young beekeepers, sharing honey sticks with the children at the farmers market in Okanogan and just talking about his honey to whoever would listen. He loves spending time with his grandchildren and great-grandchildren spoiling them by sneaking them honey sticks after their parents said no more.

Ron was a long-time member of the Mason's. He served as a Master of the Okanogan Lodge and belonged to the Omak and Methow lodges as well. He loved being involved in the bike giveaway for grade school children for reading

in Okanogan and Brewster lodges.

Ron was preceded in death by his parents Vincent Allred and Velma (Cox) Allard, and his son Ron (Smiley) Allard and is survived by his wife, Donna Allard, his daughter Laurie Anderson (Keith), his grandchildren Whitney Graham (Dalton), Kacy Harrison (Andrea) and Abby Waller (Kory) and four great-grandchildren Wyatt and Survilla Graham and Brynlee and Laynee Waller.

Ron's memorial service will be held on October 21st at 1:00 p.m. at the Okanogan Masonic Temple. The family requests that in lieu of flowers, donations be made to the charity of your choice in his name.

# Previous Events

## Service

OCT **21**. 1:00 PM (PT)

Okanogan Masonic Temple  
1820 2nd Ave N  
Okanogan, WA 98840

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# Tribute Wall

LS

“ My sister lives in Okanogan and I live in Kansas. Every year I come to visit her and we go to the Farmer’s Market. It has become a tradition for us. We always look for the “honey booth”, “honey couple”, “bee people”, “bee man”, and they are always so friendly and uplifting. Makes us feel good just to talk to them. Every year I’m always amazed at all the ways they display honey items. 🍯 I always buy different flavored honey sticks and a jar of honey for the year. A couple of times I was able to get Apricot honey. I didn’t know honey could taste so different but it was especially yummy. This year I came in September and they weren’t there. I was disappointed not to find them there. So sorry for your loss. He touched many lives. My thoughts and prayers with his family and many friends.

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**Linda Stewart** - October 11, 2023 at 09:08 AM

DB

“ Ron was the biggest tease I ever met and could keep a straight face the whole time he was pulling your leg!

When I (Deb) first met him, he told me all about his 300 pounds, lazy as the dickens, mean as all get out wife! Michael never denied what Ron was telling me, all the while standing in the middle of Walmart. At that moment, this diminutive, soft spoken, sweet lady came out of the aisle, walked calmly over to us and said "Don't believe a word of it" I was so dumbfounded at the opposite vision standing in front of me, my jaw hit the floor! That was the first of many times Ron got my goat!!

He was a great friend and an inspiration to those of us who are trying to live a full life in our golden years. He was always cooking up some sort of mischief that he and Michael could get up to, mainly, work to keep Michael active...Ron looking after his buddy, knowing that he was one of the few that could get my husband to move for his health!

Thank you, Ron, for your friendship. We already miss you horribly.

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**Debra Blayne** - October 10, 2023 at 01:39 PM

BH

“ Ron and Donna became Grandpa and Grandma Honey throughout the years of honey sticks, hugs, and mechanic work. Ron always had honey in his center console for "his girl", honey and candy deliveries during holidays, and many hugs to give. He touched our lives in the most beautiful way. We love and miss you Ron.

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**Bill, Rebecca, & Kallie Hallam** - October 10, 2023 at 01:38 PM

MM

My daughter and I affectionately reference to Ron as the 'Bee Man'. He was always quick to correct us to say he was the 'A Man'. We will surely miss his presence at the Farmers Market at the Legion Park. I always ended our visits reminding him to Beehave. I have a jar with his A & A label on it that I cherish. He is greatly missed.

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**Milinda Millard-Garcia** - April 08, 2025 at 11:15 AM