



Roland "Ron" Mueller

February 16, 1936 - August 15, 2023

Funeral services for Roland (Ron) Albert Otto Mueller 87, will be 10:00AM, Saturday August 19th at Zion Lutheran Church, Lahoma, Oklahoma. Pastor Randy Foote will be officiating. Graveside burial will follow at Zion Lutheran Cemetery. Visitation with the family will be held on Friday August 18th from 5:00PM – 7:00PM at Anderson Burriss Funeral Home.

Ron was born February 16, 1936 (21 minutes after his twin brother Don), in Buenos Aires, Argentina to Rev. Ernst and Lydia (Heller) Mueller. Ernst was serving as a Lutheran Missionary at the time. The family returned to the United States when he was 4. They lived in Minnesota and Kansas before moving to Lahoma, Oklahoma in 1953. Ron graduated from Lahoma High School in 1954 and attended Oklahoma A&M (Oklahoma State University). He married Verna June Buller on July 21, 1957. They made their home in Enid, and later in Meno and Goltry.

Ron held many different sales jobs over the course of his career, but his passions were church, refereeing basketball, and umpiring softball. He began refereeing and umpiring around 1965 and was always recruiting others to join the referee and umpire family.

He held many honors with the Oklahoma Amateur Softball Association (ASA). Ron was the Oklahoma-State Umpire in Chief for slow pitch softball for around

20 years. He was inducted into the ASA Hall of Fame as an umpire in 1986. In 1990 Ron became a member of the ASA National Indicator Fraternity. In 1999 he was given the ASA Gold Medal Award. His greatest recognition came in 2011 when he was awarded the ASA Lifetime Achievement Award.

Ron is survived by his wife Verna of the home, son Mike and wife Robin, daughter Janet and husband David Jones, son Mark, all of Enid. 12 grandkids, 18 great grandkids, and his 2 brothers; Don and his wife Lanelle, and Raymond and his wife Sharon. Ron was preceded in death by his parents and brother Armand and Armand's wife Dorris.

Cemetery Details

Zion Lutheran Cemetery

Lahoma, OK

Previous Events

Visitation with Family & Friends

AUG 18. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Anderson Burriss Funeral Home & Crematory
3002 N Van Buren
Enid, OK 73703
(580) 233-2700
ab@andersonburriss.com
<https://www.andersonburriss.com/>

Funeral Service

AUG 19. 10:00 AM (CT)

Zion Lutheran Church
518 Oklahoma St
Lahoma, OK 73754
(580) 796-2243

Tribute Wall

KC

“ *Mueller Family - My late husband, Marjoe Grim & I first met Ron when he was a salesman for hardware suppliers. He would stop at the Fairview Lumber Co. & Coast to Coast in Fairview at least once a week to chat, tell his tall tales &/or tell all the newest jokes he had heard that week. He was a 'hoot' to visit with & always brightened any day. I'm sure he & Marjoe are sitting around in heaven trying to out-joke each other!!!! R.I.P. Ron - you were the Best!!!!*

Kathy Grim Cunningham - August 19, 2023 at 10:24 AM

PF

“ *Ron always had a smile on his face, and a laugh just waiting to come out. And when Ron laughed it wasn't a small snicker, his whole body and being laughed and reached out and took you along with him to Happyville! I never met anyone who had anything but nice words to say about Ron (which is amazing for someone who spent so many years as a sports official!) Many times Ron called me out (always wrongly!!) with the most serious demeanor that told you there was no appeal from his decision. Then after the inning was over he would catch me (and no matter how mad I was) he would have me laughing in about 10 seconds!) His dedication to and love for the game of softball was legendary, and all his accolades and awards exemplified that. He will be missed by all who knew him. Rest well Ron!*

P.J. Fuksa - August 18, 2023 at 04:29 PM

PL

“ *Patty L. planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Roland "Ron" Mueller.*

Patty L. - August 18, 2023 at 03:55 PM

PL

“ *Mueller Family~
Monty and I are so sorry to hear the passing of Ron. There will probably never be a day that doesn't go by that we won't think of him going forward. Those good ole' guys are just hard to come by. All our love~*

Patty Lorenz - August 18, 2023 at 03:51 PM

SW

“ *I am so sorry to hear of Ron's passing. Dennis, Kyle, and I all looked up to Ron and enjoyed listening to his experiences. Dennis would call him to get his opinion on many softball issues and just thoroughly enjoyed visiting with him. Kyle was honored to receive the first Ron Mueller Umpire award. Now heaven has 2 of the best umpires calling their softball games.
Sincerely,
Shella Wanzer*

Shella Wanzer - August 18, 2023 at 09:17 AM

MM

Shella, thank you so much for sharing. Mike Mueller

Mike Mueller - August 18, 2023 at 01:20 PM

MT

“ *Mike & Kathleen Thomas planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Roland "Ron" Mueller.*

Mike & Kathleen Thomas - August 18, 2023 at 12:29 AM

MT

“ Mike & Kathleen Thomas purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of Roland "Ron" Mueller.



Mike & Kathleen Thomas - August 18, 2023 at 12:29 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Roland "Ron" Mueller.

August 18, 2023 at 12:18 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Roland "Ron" Mueller.



August 18, 2023 at 12:18 AM

GS

“ Verna, Don, Raymond and the Mueller family, our deepest sympathy.
Betty's daughter saw the obit on the internet and forwarded it to me.
In case you did not know, we lost Betty last November - I sure do miss her.
God bless each of you.
Jeri and Laddie Swan
Defiance, MO

Geraldine Swan - August 17, 2023 at 07:22 PM

MM

Thank you Geraldine.

Mike Mueller - August 18, 2023 at 01:22 PM

GS

*Mike -your Dad always brought Aunt Lydia to Illinois for funerals or any other special occasion. He always made us all laugh - what a great cousin. He will be missed.
Jeri*

Geraldine Swan - August 18, 2023 at 06:33 PM

SH

“ *Just hearing his name, always brought a smile to my face. He loved life and his family.*

sandra R hall - August 17, 2023 at 05:56 PM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Roland "Ron" Mueller.*

August 17, 2023 at 02:17 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Roland "Ron" Mueller.*



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