



## Ronald Wathen

April 9, 1948 - May 4, 2024

Ronald "Ronnie" Wathen, 76, passed away Saturday May 4, 2024.

Ronnie was born on April 9, 1948 to the late Ollie and Dorothy Wathen of Louisville. He retired from the City of Shively as a Fire Chief and also served several terms as a council member. He also enjoyed working for Raymond Johns in his retirement. Ronnie served our country in the Army as a MP and was catholic by faith. He loved to travel, especially to Gatlinburg.

Preceded in death by his parents and sister Linda Burke Wathen.

Survived by his grade school sweetheart and wife of 55 years Joy Wathen, his son Brian Wathen (Christy) was his pride and joy; three grandchildren Cody (Erin), Kyle and Clayton (Shelby); eight great grandchildren Shane, Madison, Kayden, Sophia, Kamden, Xaylinn, Gracelyn and Layton; two brothers Jerry Wathen (Carol), Jay Wathen (Brenda); two sisters Joyce Ann Bryant (Tom) and Sherry Flood (Pete).

Funeral services will be Tuesday May 7, 2024 at 1:30pm Owen Funeral Home, 5317 Dixie Highway with burial to follow Calvary Cemetery. Visitation will be Tuesday from 10:00-1:30pm at the funeral home.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to St. Jude's Children's Foundation or Crusade for Children's Foundation.

# Cemetery Details

## Calvary Cemetery

1600 Newburg Road  
Louisville, KY 40204

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY 7. 10:00 AM - 1:30 PM (ET)

Owen Funeral Homes - Dixie Highway  
5317 Dixie Highway  
Louisville, KY 40216  
(502) 447-2600  
<https://owenfuneralhome.com>

## Service

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# Tribute Wall

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“ *My prayers and condolences to Joy and your entire family. I first met Ronnie when he was working for Raymond Johns Dist. An incredibly great man. He was a very good family man. I learned a lot from him. We had many good times making sales calls and playing golf. I will miss him and I am better off knowing him. Rest in peace Ronnie.*

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**Clark Combs** - May 07, 2024 at 10:35 PM

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“ *Joy, I am so sorry about the passing of Ronnie. My thoughts and prayers are with you.*  
*Kim Koestel*  
*“Tootie”*

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**Kim Koestel** - May 07, 2024 at 09:02 PM

JD

“ *Joy, Brian, I am so sorry. Thoughts and prayers to you both and all of the family. I love you both. Uncle Ronnie was certainly my favorite. All great memories and I know he is in a much better place.*  
*Jimmy*

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**Jim Denyes** - May 06, 2024 at 09:16 AM

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*To all the Wathen family, Very sorry to hear about the passing of Ronnie. Sadly I was unable to attend the service. Our prayers go out to all the family. Sincerely Tim and Becky Wathen*

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**Tim Wathen** - May 09, 2024 at 12:01 PM