



## Mr. Ronald "Ronnie" J. Cunningham

November 1, 1943 - December 1, 2017

Ronald "Ronnie" James Cunningham, a long time resident of Willow Springs, passed away Friday evening, December 1, 2017 while at his home surrounded by his loving wife and family after a long and courageous battle with cancer. Born to Lucille M. (Barlow) Cunningham on November 1, 1943 in Quincy, IL; he was 74 years old.

As a child, he and his family moved to Willow Springs where he attended Noblett School. After completion of the 10th grade, Ronnie went to work. He was employed by Garretts, Kilpatricks, G&W Market, and lastly Sequel as a parts sorter for approximately 15 years before retiring in 2001. On December 15, 1964, he was married to Ina May Elliott here in Willow Springs. To this union three children were born. Ronnie had many enjoyments in life such as fishing and working on the house. However, he especially loved to watch old Westerns on T.V. and was a huge fan of "Walker, Texas Ranger," which he'd watch over and over again. Ronnie will surely be missed by his family, friends, and all who knew him.

Ronnie is preceded in death by his daughter, Karen Sue Cunningham; his mother, Lucille Barlow; his grandmother, Ethel Barlow, as well as two brothers, aunts and uncles.

He is survived by his wife Ina May and their children: Ronnie Cunningham, Jr.

and his wife, Heather and Jeff Cunningham and his wife, Jessica. He is further survived by his grandchildren: Alexis Gibson, Ashley Hall, Zachary Cunningham, Allissah Cunningham, Kaidyn Cunningham, and Janessa and Jayden Cunningham all of Willow Springs. Further surviving are three great-grandchildren; his sister, Linda Wilson of St. Peters, MO; his brother, David Wayne Hocking and his wife, Patty of Willow Springs; and several nieces, nephews, and cousins.

A graveside service for Ronnie will be held at 11:00 am, Wednesday, December 6, 2017 at the Inman Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Willow Funeral Home to help defray funeral costs. Arrangements are under the direction of Willow Funeral Home. On-line condolences may be left at [www.willowspringsfuneralhome.com](http://www.willowspringsfuneralhome.com)

# Previous Events

## Graveside Funeral Service

DEC 6. 11:00 AM (CT)

Inman Cemetery

Highway 181

Douglas County, MO

# Tribute Wall

JW

“ Jean And James Worley lit a candle in memory of Mr. Ronald "Ronnie" J. Cunningham



Jean and James worley - December 15, 2017 at 03:30 PM

TN

“ Tom Nelson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Ronald "Ronnie" J. Cunningham



Tom Nelson - December 09, 2017 at 08:39 AM

TB

“ Toni Boyle lit a candle in memory of Mr. Ronald "Ronnie" J. Cunningham



Toni Boyle - December 04, 2017 at 03:47 PM

MM

“ Mary Sue Meal lit a candle in memory of Mr. Ronald "Ronnie" J. Cunningham



Mary Sue Meal - December 04, 2017 at 08:30 AM

MM

“ *May an family, so sorry for you loss, Ronnie was a great guy, remember when we moved here, believe he was working at the grocery store, an that is where we met him, an then we met May, and the your family. everyone knew Ronnie, he was always friendly an a joker. Ronnie will be greatly missed by everyone. Mary Sue Meal*

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**Mary Sue Meal** - December 04, 2017 at 08:26 AM



“ *Plants-A-Plenty was purchased for the family of Mr. Ronald "Ronnie" J. Cunningham.*



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December 03, 2017 at 01:01 PM

EM

“ *Etta Faye Mueller lit a candle in memory of Mr. Ronald "Ronnie" J. Cunningham*



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**Etta Faye Mueller** - December 03, 2017 at 09:27 AM

EM

*Prayers to the family for their loss of a good man.*

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**Etta Faye Mueller** - December 03, 2017 at 09:28 AM

BH

“ I will miss you always Ron. You were a good cousin. Say hi to all our loved ones. Save me a seat on that train. Love you Ron you were a real warrior and taught us how to hang in there. Betty Jean

betty jean stanger heming - December 02, 2017 at 10:37 PM

RW

“ Ronnie was a great friend and an amazing co-worker. I will never forget all the fun we had working together at Sequel and will miss him very much.



Rhonda Wake - December 02, 2017 at 10:30 PM

AH

“ You were the best grandpa a kid could ask for! Our fishing trips to Montauk was the greatest time in the world to me. I love and miss you everyday that passes

Ashley Hall - December 02, 2017 at 09:54 PM

MK

“ A wonderful neighbor and friend. Will be very missed by us. Matt and Kathleen

Matt and Kathleen - December 02, 2017 at 09:02 PM

LC

“ Ronnie was the greatest neighbor we could have ever had. I always knew he was just a phone call away. He will be greatly missed. Prayers for the family.

Lou Ann Collins - December 02, 2017 at 08:38 PM

BH

“ *Ronnie took me under his wings at the Garretts store in Willow Springs MO I will miss him*

**bill hall** - December 02, 2017 at 05:41 PM

 Lucy Wake

“ *Lucy Wake lit a candle in memory of Mr. Ronald "Ronnie" J. Cunningham*



**Lucy Wake** - December 02, 2017 at 05:40 PM

 Lucy Wake

*Rest in Peace Ronnie, you were one of a kind, and will be missed.*

**Lucy Wake** - December 02, 2017 at 05:41 PM

JH

“ *J.Paul Hicks lit a candle in memory of Mr. Ronald "Ronnie" J. Cunningham*



**J.Paul Hicks** - December 02, 2017 at 04:56 PM

JH

*I pray that the Lord will comfort you and the family in this time of need. Ronnie was a great person and it is a fact that he will be sorely missed by everyone.*

**J.Paul Hicks** - December 02, 2017 at 05:02 PM

BG

*its hard to put in words what i want to share. Ronnie would give you the shirt off his back. when you made friends with him, you had a friend for ever. Go Rest High on that Mountain.*

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**Brenda Green** - December 02, 2017 at 06:06 PM

DD

*Ronnie was a dandy! While working at the P.D., Ronnie always kept a lookout on "his end of town" for me and let me know who, what, when and where. He always said he could take care of the problem with his "45". Ronnie, rest in peace my friend.*

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**Dan Dunn** - December 02, 2017 at 07:59 PM

TP

*I'm so sorry to hear this. My heartfelt condolences to his friends and family.*

*I remember Ronnie carrying my grandmother's groceries out at Kilpatricks nearly 50 years ago. That was, at least, the very early 1970's, if not back into the late 1960's. I later worked with him in the 1990's at SRC/Sequel Corp. in the old Rawlings building on South Harris Street where McDonald's and Snappy Mart now stand.*

*Ronnie never lost his friendly demeanor through the years. It was always the same friendly greeting that each of you remember so well.*

*It saddens me to realize that when we see someone it may be for the last time.*

*Rest in peace, Friend.*

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**Tom Pringle** - December 13, 2017 at 12:02 AM