



## Ronald Gene Merritt Jr

April 6, 1975 - July 23, 2012

Ronald Gene "Ronnie" Merritt Jr., 37 of Fort Cobb, Oklahoma was called home by the Lord on Monday, July 23, 2012 at Alex, Oklahoma. He was born April 6, 1975 to Ronald Gene and Cindy (Perkins) Merritt Sr in Carnegie, Oklahoma. He attended school and graduated from Carnegie High School with the class of 1993. He went to the Naval Academy in Annapolis, Maryland for a semester then returned home to start his career in EMS and firefighting. He worked for the Anadarko fire department and the Lawton fire department for several years. He married Jennifer Granger in 1998 and to this union was born 3 sons. In 2009, Ronnie was united with his daughter, Ashlee Butler Merritt. Ronnie started working in the oilfield industry and had worked himself up to the Company Man for Continental Oil Company where he currently was working for. Ronnie was a very dependable, hard working, caring and compassionate man. He would do anything to help family, a friend or even a stranger in need. He was a wonderful son, brother, father and friend. He loved his children and spending as much time with them as he could. He would surprise them at times and take all of them on unexpected vacations that they all enjoyed. He coached his son's summer league baseball team (Anadarko PeeWee Purple) and chasing after the other 3 in their activities. His hobbies included snow skiing, pheasant and coon hunting, which he taught all his kids and they loved to do also and just spending time with family. He was a member of the NREMT and the Fly Inn Fire Department since 1992. Survivors include his children: Ronald Gene "Trey" Merritt III, Benjamin Lane Merritt and

Jacob Walden Merritt of Anadarko and Ashlee Butler Merritt of Carnegie; his parents, Ronald Gene & Cindy Merritt of Anadarko, the mother of his children, Jennifer Merritt of Anadarko; sister, Christie & husband, Matthew Massey of Bridge Creek; 3 aunts: Sandra Little of Weatherford, Debbie & husband, Johnny Matlock of Anadarko & Becky Perkins of Anadarko; 2 uncle's, Randy & wife, Debbie Perkins of Springfield, Missouri and Roger Karshnock & wife, Pam of Michigan. Niece, Harlie Glidewell; 3 nephews: Taln Glidewell, Dace Granger & C.J. Cook; grandparents: Bob & Donita Perkins of Anadarko; in-laws: Connie Mills, Ed & April Granger; 2 brothers-in-law, Zach Barger & Randall & wife, Mandy Granger; sister-in-law, Kelsey Granger, numerous cousins, other relatives and many many friends. Ronnie is preceded in death by his grandparents: Kenneth Merritt and Inez Karshnock and uncle, Kenny Merritt Funeral services will be at 10:00 A.M., Thursday, July 26, 2012 at the First Baptist Church, Fort Cobb, Oklahoma with Rev. Ray Weathers officiating. Burial will follow in the Oak Grove Cemetery, Fort Cobb under the direction of Smith Funeral Home, Anadarko, Oklahoma. On line condolences may be sent to the family at [smithfuneralservices.com](http://smithfuneralservices.com)

# Tribute Wall

SA

“ Where to start!!! Ronnie was a great person and I am forever blessed to have had him in my life... I can't imagine what you are going through but I hope that his many memories live on in his children as they do in his friends. Ronnie Sr... You rasied a wonderful man and I am so sorry for your loss... Words can't express how sad I am for you and the rest of the family!!! You are in my prayers always!!!

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**Sammi** - August 29, 2016 at 12:00 AM

GO

“ What a tragic loss. I am truly saddened by Ronnie's death. I am so very thankful that I was home a few weeks ago when he came by and I got to visit with him for a few minutes. His memory will always remain deep in my heart.

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**Genny Osborne** - August 29, 2016 at 12:00 AM

SP

“ We will miss him coming into our store telling us what projects he has going on. He always talked about what him and the kids were doing. He was very proud of his kids. We considered his friendship a honor. Prayers for all the family.

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**Steve, Debbie & Clint Peck** - August 29, 2016 at 12:00 AM

JG

“ We met Ronnie only a few months ago but every time we were around him he was always talking about how much he loved his kids and would share photos of them with us. Just wanted the kids to know that they were very loved by Ronnie. Ronnie you were a great guy and will be missed! Prayers and thoughts go out to the family.

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**Jenna Greer** - August 29, 2016 at 12:00 AM

LP

“ We are so very very sorry for your loss. Our prayers will be for you and your family. We are very sorry we will not be able to attend the services. Dad was very heartbroken when I told him. He told me to tell everyone he loved them and was so so sorry. Love you guys

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**Linda & James Heims & Wiley Perkins** - August 29, 2016 at 12:00 AM

JE

“ To Cindy and Ronnie Sr,

*If you get this. please email me at [iwantedaperfectending@gmail.com](mailto:iwantedaperfectending@gmail.com). Thank you.*

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**Jessica** - August 29, 2016 at 12:00 AM

TM

“ Still trying to wrap my head around the fact that your are really gone! We lost a great man, the greatest actually! Just proof that god only takes the best! you will always be in my heart- RIP best friend :) i love you and miss you! My love and prayers to his family- especially his four wonderful kids!!! may god give you all the strength and comfort you need!

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**Tiffany McDonald** - August 29, 2016 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ So sorry for,your,loss ronnie was,a good,friend always made me laugh even though he hated my flaming dr peppers lol he will be greatly missed xoxo

Julie Butler - August 29, 2016 at 12:00 AM

JU

“ So sorry for your loss Ronnie was a good man and a good friend He will m be missed by many

Julie - August 29, 2016 at 12:00 AM

JT

“ Sending a lot of prayers your way. Let us know if you guys need anything at all.

Jeff, gina & kaylee taylor - August 29, 2016 at 12:00 AM

JG

“ Ronnie was a friend and wonderful person that I am proud to have called him my friend.

Jimmy Goforth - August 29, 2016 at 12:00 AM

VW

“ My thoughts and prayers go out to all of Ronnies family, friends and his buddies.

Vicki Fanning Webb - August 29, 2016 at 12:00 AM

AF

“ My thoughts and prayers for Ronnie's family .....to his parents,our children are supposed to live long past us and the pain you are going through compares to nothing. I hope his memories sustain you and help you to heal. To his children, I know that he loved you very much and I hope you never forget that. I pray that the people around you keep his memory alive for all of you. I know that he would never want you to forget him and he watching over you always. To Ronnie ,it is with a very heavy heart that I say goodbye to you. You were at times expirating but you gave me more happiness than I could have ever imagined. I will never forget your blue eyes and your smile or that awful nickname you used to call me . I am so glad to have had you in my life. I hope you are flying high above the clouds and are at peace.

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**An Old Friend** - August 29, 2016 at 12:00 AM

DZ

“ My thoughts and prayers are with you all.

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**Dana Zachary** - August 29, 2016 at 12:00 AM

JG

“ May the Lord hold you close at this time and future days. Ronnie was one of the first people I met when I moved to this community. He will be dearly missed by many. MY prayers to you his parents and to all of his children.

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**Janey Gibson** - August 29, 2016 at 12:00 AM

NT

“ Love and lots of prayers go out to you and your family at this tragic time. If we can help in any just let us know.

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**Nancy&Keith Trogdon&family** - August 29, 2016 at 12:00 AM

RD

“ Just saw post on FB about his passing. Our hearts are so sad. Please know we loved him and we love you. We have wonderful memories.

Royce and Rita Dunham - August 29, 2016 at 12:00 AM

VA

“ Im really sad to hear he has to leave the earth this soon. I heard a lot about him from my good friend, Jessica and how he had made Jessica's life all brighter and they sounded like really sweet couple. Im also sending my thoughts and prayers goes to everyone around him and who had met him in his lifetime. Wish i would have meet him but will someday in heaven.

Valerie - August 29, 2016 at 12:00 AM

TH

“ I am so very sorry for your loss. May the Lord provide you the Peace and Comfort you need in your time of Grief. My Condolences.

teresa holder - August 29, 2016 at 12:00 AM

MV

“ I am so sorry for your loss. I loved little Ronnie so much. He just had a way of warming your heart. That smile was amazing. Your family is in my prayers always.

Misti Kee Voss - August 29, 2016 at 12:00 AM

JE

“ I am saddened at Ronnie's death. He was absolutely amazing and sweet. Fell in love with him was the best thing. He was handsome, devoted, kind, hard working, loving, absolutely amazing in every way. He has expressed to me that he loves children very much. My prayers goes to his beautiful children and his family. He will be always in my heart and I will miss him everyday.

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**Jessica** - August 29, 2016 at 12:00 AM

LH

“ Cindy,we are so sorry for the loss of your son. Our thoughts and prayers are with you. May Gods strength be with you and your family.

*All our love Larry and Darlene*

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**Larry & Darlene Holmes** - August 29, 2016 at 12:00 AM

AO

“ Cindy and Ronnie you are in our prayers, I'm so sorry for your loss.

*Dan and Ann Broken Arrow, Oklahoma*

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**Ann Oswald** - August 29, 2016 at 12:00 AM