



## Ronald Goldsmith

January 17, 1933 - April 2, 2025

Ron Goldsmith, 92, of Oskaloosa, passed away Wednesday, April 2, 2025, at the Mahaska Health Hospice Serenity House in Oskaloosa.

Ron Louis Goldsmith, son of Norman Frederick and Mabel Luella (Buckley) Goldsmith, was born January 17, 1933, in Clarence, Iowa. He grew up on the family's Cedar County farm, where he, his brother, and his sister learned to work and play hard. Ron was a 1950 Clarence High School graduate who excelled in the classroom and on the playing field. He had a beautiful voice from an early age; his talents allowed him to compete in music and sports at the state level. After high school, he enrolled in Pre-Veterinary Medicine at Iowa State University; besides his course load, Ron played the trombone in the ISU Marching Band. While in college, he married Dorothy Horn, and they lived in married student housing in Pammel Court. After receiving his Doctorate in Veterinary Medicine in 1956, Ron joined a practice in Dysart, Iowa; from there, he practiced in Clarence, and in 1960, he joined Darrell Cochrane and, later, Martin Roepke at Mahaska Vet. Clinic in Oskaloosa. Ron served the farms of the surrounding area for 40 years. He had a great work ethic; he led by example and was admired and respected by many. He was known for his dedication and compassion for the farmers and animals.

Ron and Dorothy raised their four sons in Oskaloosa and later divorced. On December 26, 1987, he married Mary Lill McGregor at the First Presbyterian

Church in Oskaloosa. He was an active member of his church, sharing his early love of singing in the choir with his church family and singing with his brother Gary. He was a member of the Iowa Trust and Savings Bank board of trustees and served as its president until the conclusion of his term. Ron also enjoyed golf and, on two occasions, scored a hole-in-one. He was a voracious reader and consumed volumes of the great works of renowned authors. Attending his grandchildren's activities was a delight for Ron. In his retirement, he and Mary enjoyed traveling and wintering at the Fountain of the Sun Development in Mesa, Arizona.

His family includes his wife, Mary of Oskaloosa; four sons: Terry Goldsmith of Portage, WI, Scott (Leann) Goldsmith of Grimes, IA, Douglas (Rich) Goldsmith of Palm Springs, CA, and Michael (Anne) Goldsmith of Castle Rock, CO; step-children: Jerry (Janice) Reese of Davenport, IA, Nancy Cummings of Oskaloosa, Michael (Anne) Reese of Wheaton, IL, and Janet Reese of Oskaloosa; with his extended blended family, he was blessed with 20 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

In addition to his parents, Ron was preceded in death by a sister, Joyce Yutesler, and a brother, Gary.

A Celebration of Ron's Life will be held on Saturday, April 26, 2025, at 10:30 a.m. at Langkamp Funeral Chapel. Burial will be in Forest Cemetery. Memorial contributions can be made to Mahaska Health Foundation for the Hospice Serenity House.

# Cemetery Details

## Forest Cemetery

934 North 9th ST  
Oskaloosa, IA 52577  
secretary@forestcemetery.com  
<http://www.forestcemetery.org/>

# Previous Events

## Service of Celebration and Remembrance

APR **26**. 10:30 AM (CT)

Langkamp Funeral Chapel & Crematory  
2116 N 3rd St  
Oskaloosa, IA 52577  
(641) 672-2181  
langkampfuneralchapel@gmail.com  
<https://www.langkampfuneralchapel.com>

# Tribute Wall



“ *Langkamp Funeral Chapel & Crematory created a Tribute Video in memory of Ronald Goldsmith*



Langkamp Funeral Chapel & Crematory - April 17, 2025 at 01:57 PM

TG

*A beautiful tribute to a great man and a life well lived and loved!*

Theresa Grahek - April 26, 2025 at 02:03 PM

JE

“ *Jill Ewing lit a candle in memory of Ronald Goldsmith*



Jill Ewing - April 24, 2025 at 03:22 PM

DR

“ *Doug and Rich planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ronald Goldsmith.*

Doug and Rich - April 24, 2025 at 03:12 PM

DR

“ Doug and Rich purchased the *Beautiful in Blue* for the family of Ronald Goldsmith.



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Doug and Rich - April 24, 2025 at 03:12 PM



“ *Serene Retreat* was purchased for the family of Ronald Goldsmith.



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April 22, 2025 at 09:19 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Ronald Goldsmith.



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April 21, 2025 at 02:32 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Ronald Goldsmith.

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April 21, 2025 at 02:32 PM

MR

“ 1 file added to the album Ron Goldsmith



Michael Reese - April 17, 2025 at 08:41 PM

MG

“ 3 files added to the album Ron Goldsmith



Michael Goldsmith - April 17, 2025 at 10:24 AM

MG

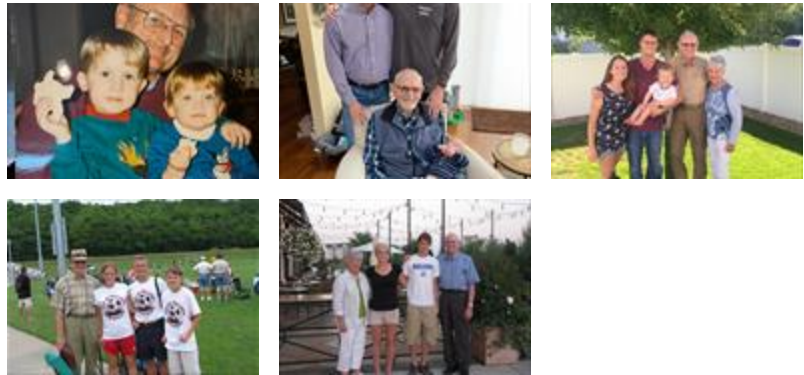
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Michael Goldsmith - April 15, 2025 at 06:18 PM

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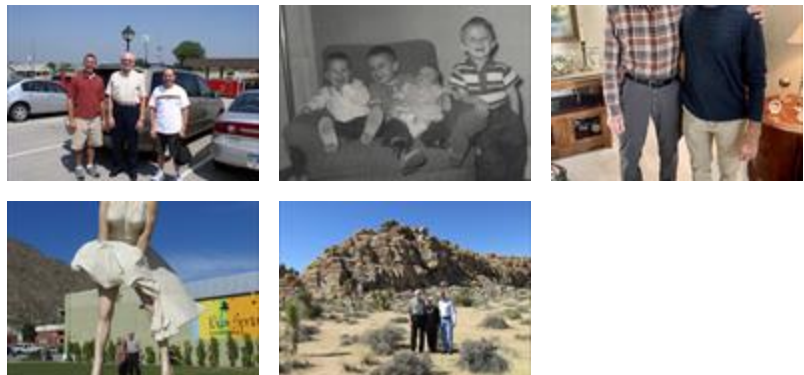
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Scott Goldsmith - April 15, 2025 at 07:39 AM

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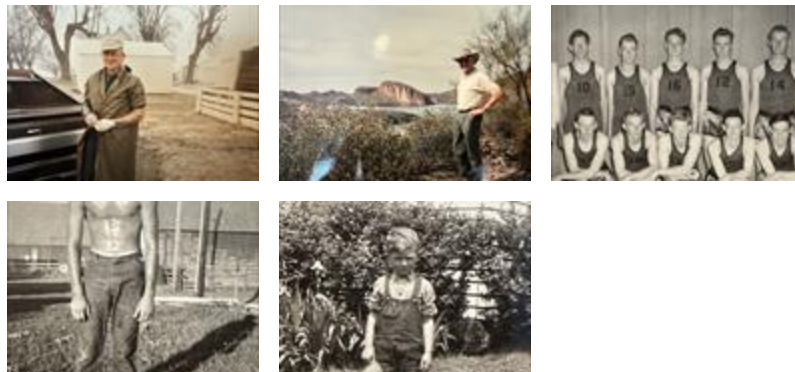
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Doug Goldsmith - April 13, 2025 at 09:08 AM

SG

“ 32 files added to the album Ron Goldsmith



Scott Goldsmith - April 12, 2025 at 06:40 PM

DR

“ Dena Roorda lit a candle in memory of Ronald Goldsmith



Dena Roorda - April 06, 2025 at 06:35 PM

RC

“ Rhonda Callison lit a candle in memory of Ronald Goldsmith



Rhonda Callison - April 04, 2025 at 08:04 AM

RC

*Sincere condolences to the entire Goldsmith family. Ron was such a kind man with a warm smile and huge heart. He lived a great life and surely leaves many wonderful memories for all family and friends. Prayers for peace at this difficult time.*

Rhonda Callison - April 04, 2025 at 08:11 AM

KS

“ My Deepest Sympathies to Mary and the entire blended family. I know how deeply Ron was loved by all. What first comes to my mind when I think of Ron is his smile. He was always quick with a hello and that big smile. He lived a wonderful life doing what he loved for so long . I know these past few years have been difficult ... just remember all those wonderful times together and that smile of his 💖

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**Kim Scieszinski** - April 03, 2025 at 05:37 PM

JW

“ My father, Dr. M. N. Nuckolls always spoke highly of Dr. Goldsmith.

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**Jill Van Weelden** - April 03, 2025 at 04:47 PM