

Mr. Ronald C. "Ron" Denison

August 23, 1952 - September 2, 2016

Mr. Ronald C. "Ron" Denison, age 64, passed away unexpectedly in the comfort of his home on Friday, September 2, 2016.

Born in Greenfield, Massachusetts on August 23, 1952, Ronald was the son of Russell C. and Theresa (Boyer) Denison.

As a young man, Ron worked hard learning the family trade and aspired to the position of Store Manager at the family-owned Denison Lumber Company of Colrain, MA.

His thirst for knowledge led him to Utica College of Syracuse University where he earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in 1978. And it was there that he met Eileen Darby. The couple married in 1975 and to that relationship came the blessing of two children.

As a father, Ron taught his children to be respectful, uphold family values and traditions, complete any endeavors that they begin, and never lose faith in their capabilities. Some of Ron's most cherished memories were of the times spent camping, hiking, and canoeing with his family in the Adirondacks.

Ron's sense of social responsibility led him to perform his life's work as a social worker for the Oneida County Department of Social Services where he worked for 25 years as an advocate of children, retiring as a caseworker supervisor in 2013.

Ron continued his life's journey where he shared a longtime companionship with Gaelynn "Sundee" Fanelli. In recent years, the two would become engaged. Ron treasured their common interests and many trips shared

including the Renaissance Fair and traveling to visit family.

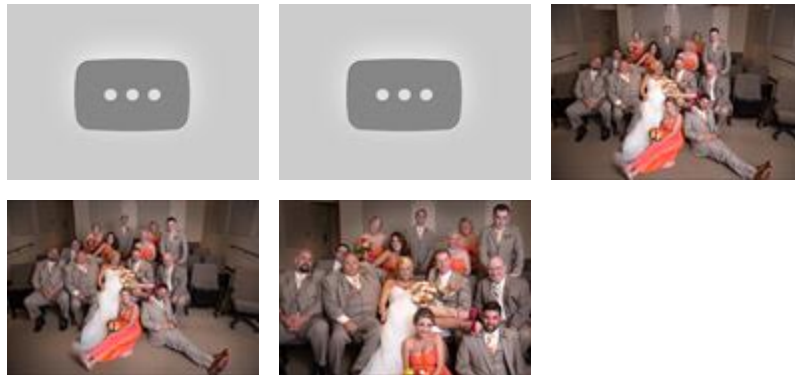
Ron is survived by Sundee; his parents, Russell and Theresa; his son, C. Andrew Denison and his wife Nicole Davis; his daughter, Kathleen V. "Katie" Denison and fiancé Lindsey Anderson; his sister, Marsha Drost; and his brother, Russell "Rusty" Denison. He was predeceased by his grandparents, Robert and Lyndal (Cranson) Denison.

The family will honor and commemorate Ron's life at a private time. In support of his lifework, memorial contributions in Ron's honor may be made to the Thea Bowman House at 731 Lafayette Street, Utica, NY 13502 or online at www.theabowmanhouse.org/. He will be laid to rest with his family.

Tribute Wall

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“ 43 files added to the album *Favorite Denison Family Memories*



Nikki Davis-Denison - October 24, 2016 at 01:05 PM

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I am blessed to have shared twenty years of memories with you and grateful for the two short years to call you my Father-in-Law. You will be in our hearts forever. - "Little Foot"

Nikki Davis-Denison - October 24, 2016 at 02:15 PM

EG

“ *I just learned of Ron's passing, and I am so, so sorry. Ron was my supervisor back when I worked at CPS. He was a kind and fun person to work with, and he was always very good to me in some of the most stressful times. I always appreciated his quirky sense of humor and I felt lucky to work with someone who had such a big heart. I offer my prayers and condolences. May he rest in peace. - Elizabeth Giles*

Elizabeth Giles - September 27, 2016 at 09:22 AM

GD

“ I worked with Ron many years at Oneida County Child Welfare. He was an advocate for the children he encountered. I am so sorry to learn of his passing. My prayers to all of his family. May Ron rest in peace.
Gracelyn DiNitto



Gracelyn DiNitto - September 09, 2016 at 10:06 AM

TJ

“ I am sorry to hear of Ron's passing. He was a lovely man. We always had some good laughs at the county. Please except my condolences.

Teresa Joseph - September 08, 2016 at 12:07 PM

SO

I worked with Ron at the county for years. I am very sorry to hear of his passing. I loved Ron 's sense of humor and always enjoyed hearing his views on anything! Again, so sorry that you have lost this wonderful man. Steve Orton

Stephen Orton - September 08, 2016 at 02:24 PM

GL

Sundee we are so sorry to hear about ron May he RIP love Gail & Donny

gail lewis - September 10, 2016 at 12:44 AM