



## Ronald A. Broering

July 8, 1943 - January 2, 2024

Ronald A. Broering, a beloved husband, father, grandfather, and respected member of the Fife Lake community, passed away on January 2, 2024, at the age of 80, after a courageous battle with pancreatic cancer. Ron peacefully transitioned into eternal rest surrounded by his adoring family, in the heart of his cherished home - a place he affectionately deemed "the best spot on earth". Born on July 8, 1943, in Cincinnati, OH, to proud parents Paul H. and Dolores Broering, Ron grew up alongside his brothers Paul R. and Jerry Broering. He graduated from Saint Joe Prep in Bardstown, KY, and later earned a degree in pharmacy from the University of Cincinnati.

On April 20, 1968, Ron married the love of his life, Noreen. Their union was blessed with four daughters: Jennifer (David) Ludwig of Granger, IN; Lisa (Kevin) Fitzpatrick of East Grand Rapids, MI; Cindy (Chris) Shepherd of Granger, IN; and Ashley (Daven) Brodess of East Grand Rapids, MI. Later in life, Ron's focus shifted to the profound joy of grandparenthood. Morgan, Erin, Ryan, and Reagan Ludwig; Kearan, Nora, and Keva Fitzpatrick; Skylar, Kylie, Kendall, and Danika Shepherd; and Laurea and Landrean Brodess became the center of his world.

Ron was not only a devoted husband, father, and grandfather but also a cherished friend to many. He was a man of steadfast character and lived his life according to the values of body, mind, soul, God, family, and country. His life was marked by profound generosity and an unwavering commitment to those he held dear.

For over two decades, Ron served as a respected pharmacist at Meister Drug in Bremen, IN. His tenure was marked not only by professional excellence but also by a profound commitment to the well-being of the local community. Beyond the pharmacy counter, Ron cultivated the land, embodying the spirit of a dedicated farmer and leaving an indelible mark on the rural community he called home.

In 1996, Ron returned to his childhood haven, Fife Lake, where he had spent countless summers since boyhood. It was here that he found true contentment, joyfully immersing himself in the beauty of nature and selflessly serving his community. Whether constructing rock walls on his hillside, tending to flowerbeds, or lending a helping hand to neighbors, Ron's impact was far-reaching and enduring.

As we bid a fond farewell to Ron, we celebrate a life well-lived and a legacy of love that will endure in the hearts of those fortunate enough to have known him. A Mass of Christian Burial in memory of Ron will take place at noon on Saturday, January 6, 2024, with visitation an hour before at St. Aloysius Catholic Church, 403 Merritt St, Fife Lake, MI.

In lieu of flowers, the family kindly requests memorial contributions in Ron's honor be made to the Fife Lake Public Library Expansion Fund. Checks can be made out to the Friends of the Fife Lake Library, PO Box 254, Fife Lake, MI 49633, or online at <https://gofund.me/e93f2dce>, ensuring that Ron's legacy of community enrichment continues to thrive.

The family has entrusted the arrangements to Kalkaska Funeral Home and Cremation Services, where they will ensure that Ron's memory is honored with the respect and care he deserves.

# Cemetery Details

## St. Aloysius Catholic Cemetery

403 Merritt St.  
Fife Lake, MI 49633

# Previous Events

## Final Visitation

JAN 6. 11:00 AM (ET)

St Aloysius Catholic Church  
403 Merritt St  
Fife Lake, MI 49633  
(231) 258-2752

## Mass of Christian Burial

JAN 6. 12:00 PM (ET)

St. Aloysius Catholic Church  
Fife Lake, MI

# Tribute Wall

KS

“ I am blessed to have been a small part of Ron’s journey. He inspired me so much in our first meeting. My deepest condolences to Noreen and family. -Karen Steinhebel, RN

Karen Steinhebel - January 10, 2024 at 06:44 PM

JL

“ We’ve had more eagle sightings this week in Fife than any other we can remember. Thanks for the memories. Thanks for the love. Thanks for the wind beneath our wings. We love you  
❤️ the Ludwigs

Jen Ludwig - January 07, 2024 at 11:44 AM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Ronald A. Broering.



January 05, 2024 at 12:22 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Ronald A. Broering.



January 05, 2024 at 10:01 AM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Ronald A. Broering.*



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January 05, 2024 at 08:20 AM



“ *Noreen and family - we are so sorry for your loss of a great spouse, father, grandfather. Ron was a super person who always wrote the annual Christmas letter which we anticipated with joy to hear of recent expeditions and new additions to the Broering family! Please know that we will keep all of you in our prayers and hope that you will always remember the times you had with your loved one!! - Lance and Carol Beehler from South Carolina*



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**Carol and Lance Beehler** - January 04, 2024 at 03:43 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Ronald A. Broering.*



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January 04, 2024 at 03:36 PM



“ *Basket Full of Wishes was purchased for the family of Ronald A. Broering.*



January 04, 2024 at 09:20 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Ronald A. Broering.*



January 03, 2024 at 07:52 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ronald A. Broering.*



January 03, 2024 at 06:53 PM



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



January 03, 2024 at 06:37 PM

LM

“ Ron was a caring friend of our village and its residents. Personally, he gave us some sound suggestions on remodeling our village house and property. Ron will forever have an impact on our village!



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**Lisa Magee** - January 03, 2024 at 05:47 PM

DN

“ Deborah Newell lit a candle in memory of Ronald Broering



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**Deborah Newell** - January 03, 2024 at 04:08 PM

DL

“ How to share memories of sixty years of friendship? Ron and Dan studying? At UC. Our summer trips to the river. Friendly fights over scrabble. Trips to visit us in Ky when the kids put on plays. Trips to Indiana and Fife Lake. Admiring Ron’s landscaping. Enjoying Ron’s stories about hauling water from the car wash. Ron and Mary Lou’s heated discussions. Spending time together in sunny Florida in our golden years.

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**Dan and Mary Lou** - January 03, 2024 at 03:53 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Ronald A. Broering.



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January 03, 2024 at 03:10 PM



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



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January 03, 2024 at 03:05 PM



“ *Pink Tribute Spray* was purchased for the family of *Ronald A. Broering*.



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January 03, 2024 at 02:16 PM