



## Ronald Donze

September 12, 1947 - April 28, 2024

Donze, Ronald of St. Louis, Missouri, was born September 12, 1947 in St. Louis, Missouri to Emanuel and Genevieve (nee Grieshaber) Donze and entered into rest Sunday, April 28, 2024 in St. Louis, Missouri at the age of 76 years.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Emanuel and Genevieve (nee Grieshaber) Donze; sister-in-law, Bobbi Donze.

He is survived by his loving wife, Betty (nee Grass) Donze; children, Stephen (Rebecca) Donze, Susan (Eric Primm) Donze, Jeremy (Trina) Schweigert; grandchildren, Luke, Will, Oliver, Taylor, Dennis, and Ashley; siblings, James (Cathy) Donze, Thomas (Brenda) Donze, Edward (the late Bobbi) Donze, and Dennis (Denise) Donze; along with numerous other extended family and friends.

Ron was a devoted husband of Betty for 48 years who left an indelible mark on those around him. He was a proud graduate of Valley High School, class of 1965, and pursued higher education at SEMO, earning his Bachelor's degree in 1969. His professional journey spanned over five decades in the truck sales industry, notably at Truck Centers, Inc from 1990 to 2022. Ron also served his country with honor in the Army Reserves for seven years. A devout member of Queen of All Saints Catholic Church and the Knights of Columbus, he found solace in faith and camaraderie. Beyond his professional endeavors, Ron cherished time spent farming and restoring tractors. He found immense joy in the simple pleasures of life, especially while sharing moments on the farm with his beloved grandchildren. He was a pillar of tradition, participating fervently in the New Year's Eve tradition of La Guinée in Ste. Genevieve, Missouri, further exemplifying his deep-rooted connection to his community. He will be dearly missed and fondly remembered by all who knew and loved him.

Memorial donations can be made in Ronald's honor to St. Vincent de Paul (<https://form-renderer-app.donorperfect.io/give/society-of-st-vincent-de-paul--archdiocesan-council-of-st.-louis/generic-online-donation>), or the St. Louis Children's Hospital (<https://support.stlouisch>

[ildrens.org/site/Donation2?df\\_id=2386&2386.donation=form1&mfc\\_pref=T](https://ildrens.org/site/Donation2?df_id=2386&2386.donation=form1&mfc_pref=T)).

Memorial Visitation will be held on Friday, May 10, 2024 from 4:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. at Chapel Hill Mortuary, 10301 Big Bend Rd., Kirkwood, Missouri 63122. A Funeral Mass will be held on Saturday, May 11, 2024 at 10 a.m. at Queen of All Saints Catholic Church, 6603 Christopher Dr., St. Louis, Missouri, 63129.

Family and friends can review and share stories, photos and condolences online at [www.stlfuneral.com](http://www.stlfuneral.com) and follow details of this event and others in the community at [www.facebook.com/stlchapelhill](https://www.facebook.com/stlchapelhill).

# Previous Events

## Memorial Visitation

MAY 10. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Chapel Hill Mortuary - Kirkwood  
10301 Big Bend Road  
Kirkwood, MO 63122  
(314) 965-8228  
info@stfuneral.com  
<https://www.stfuneral.com>

## Funeral Mass

MAY 11. 10:00 AM (CT)

Queen of All Saints Catholic Church  
6603 Christopher Drive  
Oakville, MO 63129

# Tribute Wall

PM

“ Ron was a great source for me as a Truck Equipment upfitter and made my Job easier, and was always willing to help me!

*Paul Muehling Knapheide Truck Equipment*

Paul Muehling - May 10, 2024 at 12:41 PM



“ Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of Ronald Donze.



May 09, 2024 at 06:07 PM

CI

“ Chevron Commercial Inc purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Ronald Donze.



Chevron Commercial Inc - May 09, 2024 at 03:13 PM

CI

“ Chevron Commercial Inc planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ronald Donze.

Chevron Commercial Inc - May 09, 2024 at 03:13 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Ronald Donze.



May 08, 2024 at 09:44 PM

SR

“ Swinger Sanitation - Earl & Esther Rutz planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ronald Donze.

Swinger Sanitation - Earl & Esther Rutz - May 08, 2024 at 09:44 PM

HJ

“ Haniya , Mel, Lauren and Judi. purchased the Dreams From the Heart Bouquet for the family of Ronald Donze.



Haniya , Mel, Lauren and Judi. - May 08, 2024 at 05:47 PM

HJ

“ Haniya , Mel, Lauren and Judi. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ronald Donze.

Haniya , Mel, Lauren and Judi. - May 08, 2024 at 05:47 PM

WF

“ With Love, Your Long Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Ronald Donze.



With Love, Your Long Family - May 07, 2024 at 01:38 PM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Ronald Donze.



May 06, 2024 at 04:10 PM

JD

“ Justin and Jessica Donze planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ronald Donze.

Justin and Jessica Donze - May 06, 2024 at 04:10 PM

CI

“ We appreciated working with Ron over the years and were so sorry to hear of his passing. He and his family are in our prayers. -Coe Equipment, Inc.

Coe Equipment, Inc. - May 02, 2024 at 04:23 PM

AM

“ Armor Equipment, Arnold MO purchased the Simply Elegant S pathiphyllum for the family of Ronald Donze.



Armor Equipment, Arnold MO - May 02, 2024 at 11:15 AM

FT

“ Family Tang purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Ronald Donze.



Family Tang - April 30, 2024 at 10:02 PM

FT

“ Family Tang planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ronald Donze.

Family Tang - April 30, 2024 at 10:02 PM

KW

“ So Sorry to have heard this today. Ron “Dozer” was always a kind hearted man with a great voice that would cause one to stop and listen. I was blessed to work with Ron for five years at TCI and later from a corporate position. He was truly A Class Act ❤️😭

Kelly Watson - April 30, 2024 at 10:00 PM



“ Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ronald Donze.



April 30, 2024 at 11:56 AM



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



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April 30, 2024 at 11:35 AM



“ *The Knapheide Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ronald Donze.*

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**The Knapheide Family** - April 30, 2024 at 11:35 AM