



Ronald 'Ronnie' Neil Dobson Jr.

October 5, 1951 - July 18, 2017

Ronnie was an avid walker frequently seen walking around town with his latest artwork, stopping to talk and joke with whomever he came across. He loved bright colors frequently wearing bright bandanas in his pockets or around his neck. He had a caustic wit as well as being a practical joker. He once climbed on top of her grandmother's refrigerator sitting there on the top watching her as she moved around the kitchen waiting for her to look up. He was an exceptional artist who was a perfectionist, working many long hours on a project until he got what he wanted. His artistic hero was Norman Rockwell with whom he corresponded receiving five letters and then finally getting to meet him in 1975, the greatest thrill of his life (next to me of course) at the time. He also got to go up on the Empire State Building another thrill on the same trip.

Also, like many creative people he was also a musician playing bass, electric guitar, and piano. He no longer had a piano we were looking for keyboards but he loved his bass and electric guitar. Music was always on at our house, Ronnie listened to music while he worked, playing his own instruments between projects. His musical heroes were the Beatles, Paul McCartney in particular, Bob Dylan, Jimi Hendrix, and Don Henley. Another great joy of Ronnie's life was seeing Paul McCartney in concert at the BOK Center in 2007. He loved Sherlock Homes, old sci-fi, and horror movies. Many of these he portrayed in his paintings. He loved animation, King- Kong was a frequent subject. Halloween was his favorite holiday. Ronnie was a World War II

enthusiast with battleship as his specialty. He most especially like the German battleship "Bismarck" for its aesthetic design as well as the innovations to its armor and the power it represented. It always impressed him that as powerful as it was its job was not to fight but to cut off supply lines of their enemies and that after being vastly outnumbered and beaten to a pulp it did not sink until the crew scuttled the ship.

Ronnie loved literature especially Shakespeare and Mark Twain. He also always tried to improve himself to understand himself as well as others. He started reading Freud when he was 16 continuing his search for understanding throughout his life.

He was an amalgam, our eccentricities balanced each other, he was my sunshine and I will miss him every day of my life. Rily always and forever.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

JUL **26**. 2:00 PM (CT)

Cornerstone Funeral Home Chapel
1830 N. York St.
Muskogee, OK 74403

Tribute Wall



“ *Ronald 'Ronnie' Neil Dobson Jr.*

October 23, 2023 at 09:38 AM



“ *I first met Ron when I was an aspiring artist at the age of 15. I was stunned at his artistic abilities and his willingness to share his talents with me. We remained dear friends for the next 48 years until his recent passing. I will miss him for the rest of my life and will forever be grateful for all that he was and all that he taught me.*



mcclain moore - August 05, 2017 at 05:54 PM



“ *My life was forever changed because I was friends with Ronnie. I think back on the memories and smile through the tears. Rita, you were the best thing that ever happened to him. And he knew that! The Ronnie Dobson chapter in my book of life has closed but I will never forget the special person he was. My heartfelt sympathies to you.*

Pam Morton Green - July 27, 2017 at 07:48 AM



My name is Verna Dobson my dad was Lee Roy Dobson so thankful to find out about my dad's family I have some of his art and beautiful portrait he painted my dad praying for all of you God bless

Verna Dobson - January 01 at 02:50 PM



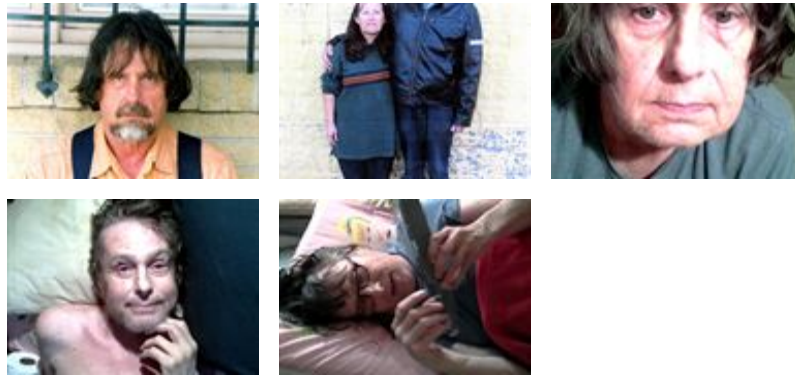
“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Ronald 'Ronnie' Neil Dobson Jr..*



July 25, 2017 at 04:27 PM



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Cornerstone Funeral Home and Crematory - July 25, 2017 at 12:46 PM



“ *Ronnie had the heart of a giant. Didn't want to share his dx and pain with others. Rita was always there for him. So blessed i was able to help in simple ways and have them both still as friends. Know he is painfree now. Love you.*



Dee Dunn - July 25, 2017 at 08:43 AM

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“ *Ronnie was a very special person, a unique and talented man, and a dear friend that will be missed. I can hear him now...telling one of his many jokes...laughing and hoping I got it. My condolences to the family. And my deepest sympathy to his wife Rita. I know she will be lost without Ronnie by her side and miss him more than anyone can ever imagine.*



Vicki Stites - July 24, 2017 at 08:53 PM

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“ *Prayers for the family. May God comfort you in this difficult time. Sending my love Lisa Reed*

Lisa Reed - July 24, 2017 at 07:46 PM