



## Ronald "Ron" Howerton

August 7, 1950 - February 2, 2019

Ronald "Ron" Howerton, 68, passed away Saturday, February 2, 2019 at Freeman Hospital in Joplin. Ron was born August 7, 1950 in Carthage to Francis "Dale" Howerton and Viola (Smart) Howerton. Ron was a lifetime resident of Carthage and retired from Schreiber Foods after 43 years of service. He was a member of the United States Army National Guard for eight years.

Ron was united in marriage to Jalene Mitchell on October 1, 1971 in Carthage; she preceded him in death in 2017.

Ron is survived by three daughters, Melissa Harris and husband Kevin of Carthage, Christina McDaniel of Mount Juliet, TN and Rhonda Wilhelm and husband John of Stockton, MO; four brothers, Roger Howerton, Mark Howerton and Freddie Howerton, all of Carthage, and Steve Howerton of St. Louis; two sisters, Connie McCoy of Carthage and Bonnie Garin of Virginia Beach, VA; seven grandchildren, Ashley, Carlee, Melynn, Cade, Katie, Jenna, and Gracee; four great grandchildren, Caselynn, Jaedyn, Cole and Caston, along with his two canine companions, Toby and Peanut.

Ron was preceded in death by his parents; one sister, Donna Lasiter; and one brother, Gary Howerton.

A memorial visitation will be held from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Thursday, February 7, 2019 at Ulmer Funeral Home.

Online condolences may be made at [www.ulmerfh.com](http://www.ulmerfh.com).

Arrangements are under the direction of Ulmer Funeral Home.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 7. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

DM

“ Ron was a good man and one of the best story-tellers I have ever known. He had a big, booming voice and an even bigger heart.

*I love you and I miss you, Pop. But I know we will see you again.*

*Love,*

*David*

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**David McDaniel** - February 07, 2019 at 01:05 PM

BG

“ I am so thankful to have been called your little sis. I think back of the times together, and they makes me smile.you were strong willed, just like you dad and you did it you way. I am forever grateful to have had the last days with you , they will be treasures of mine forever. You will be missed beyond words. But we know you are in a better place, your gone and you are with those that you missed. I love you very much. Torey,Baily and Byron sends there love. we will see each other again one day.Love you with all my 💕 Bonnie. PS I took alot of video so we can talk about it those when we meet again.



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**Bonnie Howerton Garin** - February 06, 2019 at 04:44 PM

MF

“ In thinking back on Uncle Ronnie's life this past weekend, knowing he was near the end, it struck me how he was always cheerful and happy. Every family gathering we had - the Christmases, the family reunions, Grandma's birthday get togethers - he was always there, and always with a smile and a light-hearted tease. He always wanted his hug, and I gladly gave him one. I will miss seeing his smile and hearing his familiar voice telling a new story. I will miss you, Uncle Ronnie.

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**Marcia K. Foster** - February 04, 2019 at 09:54 PM

JS

“ My thoughts and prayers go out to Howerton family today. I had the privilege to work with Ron at Schreiber Foods for many years. He was a hard worker and team player. He was always willing to help out others and done it with a smile on his face.  
We lost a great guy but heaven gained one.

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**John and Mary Jane Stevens** - February 04, 2019 at 05:17 PM

SL

“ He always had a story to tell and it cracked me up listening to him and Donna argue back and forth on the way it really was. He was a great man and will be truly missed. Prayers and love to all of you

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**Sherrie Lasiter** - February 04, 2019 at 04:48 PM

EM

My brother-in law, my friend, my brother. I will miss the great times we shared, you were always the first to offer your help. I know you are with Jalene now, where you belong. Ed

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**Ed Mitchell** - February 07, 2019 at 05:20 PM