



Ronald Terry McQueen

February 12, 1942 - February 17, 2011

Ronald T. McQueen, Sr., 69, of Charlotte, MI died unexpectedly at his home Thursday, February 17, 2011. Mr. McQueen was born February 12, 1942 in Lansing, MI the son of Arlo and Mildred (Battin) McQueen. Ron was the owner of McQueen Tire Center in Charlotte for over 30 years. He was a member of the Charlotte Eagles Aries, Eaton County Saladin Shriner's and the Charlotte Lodge 120 F.&.A.M. Ron had a great sense of humor and made friends easily. He was always lending a helping hand to those who needed it. Ron enjoyed drag racing and was often found at Martin Dragway lighting up his Top Fuel Dragster. He also loved cruising throughout Michigan in his 32 Plymouth street rod. He was proud of his family and grandchildren and will greatly be missed. He is survived by his son, Ronald McQueen, Jr. of Seattle, WA; daughter, DuRae McQueen of Lansing; daughter, Lori (Greg) Beck of Kalkaska; son, Aarron Jardot of Hastings; son, Tony (Chris) Dexter of Olivet; 6 grandchildren, Eric Shilling, Amanda Shilling, Tyler Dexter, Madison Dexter, Ezra Dexter and Angelina McQueen; Loving Companion of 23 years, Mary Lou Dexter and brother, Roger (Carol) McQueen. Funeral services will be 2:00 PM Monday, February 21, 2011 at Pray Funeral Home, Charlotte, MI with Reverend Charles Jenson officiating. Interment will be in Maple Hill Cemetery, Charlotte, MI. Visitation will be Sunday, February 20, 2011 from 2:00 – 4:00 and 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. at Pray Funeral Home. If desired memorial contributions may be made to Eaton Community Hospice.

Tribute Wall



“ Pray Funeral Home, Inc created a Tribute Video in memory of Ronald Terry McQueen



Pray Funeral Home, Inc. - February 17, 2011 at 12:00 AM

DF

“ My sincere condolences to the entire McQueen family. I knew Ron only through Dave Crane's annual Old Timer's Drag Racer Reunion, but he was always great to talk to. I would appreciate a family member contacting me at a time convenient, regarding a private matter. 616-956-3378 or at the e-mail address above.

Dan VanKoevering, President, Michigan Motorsports Hall of Fame - February 24, 2011 at 12:09 PM

DK

“ Mary, and family Sorry for your loss, Love and prayer to all

Don & Jean Klaiss - February 22, 2011 at 03:37 PM

GF

“ Thanks Ron for supporting my daughter after my passing and I'll see you when you get here!



Greg Wells through friends - February 21, 2011 at 08:11 PM

SM

“ Uncle Ron I will miss you sooo much. You were one of my last links to my dad and I really loved bringing you brownies and hanging out with you at your shop. Thank you for everything you did to try and get my truck back from my sisters. I will always love you for that â™¥ Thank you for being so good to my mom when no one else was... I have so much respect for you because of that. You knew the truth and you never treated us bad. I will miss you forever. I love you, Uncle Ron. : (:..... I miss you so much already (::.... ~Every hug I've got, Sarah Wells



Sarah Kate Wells & Mom - February 21, 2011 at 06:48 PM

KK

“ My dad, Arnie, drag raced with Ron over the years. When my siblings and I were kids, Ron would lay a gruff line on us once and a while, but he'd back it up with a delayed grin and smiling eyes just so we'd know we was teasing. I always liked Ron. Randall and Amanda found this photo of Ron with his dragster at a race track in Indy, and we'd just been reminiscing about it a few weeks ago. Godspeed Ron.

Karen Knack-Doyle - February 21, 2011 at 06:21 PM

SB

“ so very sorry to hear about ron my condolence to you mary and ron family

sandy bofysil berry - February 21, 2011 at 07:54 AM

GF

“ GOD SPEED RON, WE WILL MISS YOU

gary fedewa - February 20, 2011 at 03:44 PM

JB

“ Ron was such a good man to work with over the years. He was a real asset to the community and a great loss. Our condolences to the family. Jim and Sheila Burgie

Jim and Sheila Burgie - February 20, 2011 at 03:06 PM

DJ

“ My deepest condolences to the McQueen family....Ron I will miss you deeply. Thanks for being a true friend and a trusted guide with my racing endeavors....Our old friend Mike Husen passed just the day before you...I guess God need another Top Fuel team..... dave

Dave Jackson - February 19, 2011 at 01:00 PM

BM

“ Will miss our Sunday chats,love you Brenda

Brenda McQueen - February 19, 2011 at 12:08 PM

JV

“ Ron You were always so supportive of the community and whenever I called on you for the Shrine Circus ad's will miss you and all of your stories.

Jerry Vaughn - February 19, 2011 at 10:17 AM

D(

“ Omgosh Mary! What a shock! I'm so sorry! I just saw you guys at Meijers last week but didn't take the time to say "Hi". Wish I would have :(He was such a nice man! I hope you can lean on God for strength and comfort in this sad time. Please give my love to Tony & his family. Hugs. Diane Brayton Kimble

Diane Kimble (Brayton) - February 19, 2011 at 03:05 AM

OR

“ Mary, Tony, Chris and Family, We were so shocked and saddened to see this. Ron always treated us like we were his kids, he was always willing to help and always had a hug! Jenna growing up called him grandpa and he would hug her so tight. We hope that you all have great memories to remember him with. We sure do. Let us know if we can help in any way. Love, Orlan, JoAnn and kids

Orlan and JoAnn Reed - February 19, 2011 at 01:55 AM

MM

“ my sincerest condolences to the entire family. i can only draw on the greatest memories of what i consider a family icon.. we spent a good deal of time arguing over which was better drag racing or circle track.. those are some sweet memories. as you can imagine the gruff look on Ron's face explaining to me how circle track was akin to watching a toilet flush.. hahah like i said these are some very special memories in a very sad time. i will miss you my friend. I truly will miss you..... see you on the other side... Mike

michael mcqueen - February 18, 2011 at 10:33 PM

SM

“ You always told everyone that I had the meanest grandma in the world but you had the best Aunt Mabel.. well I had the best cousin in the world.. I was the boss and you were the brat unless u were saying it then I was the brat and you were the boss.. sure going to miss u cuz.. whos going to call me brat now.. Love you Ronnie

Sheryl McQueen - February 18, 2011 at 10:15 PM

SM

“ Mary, we are all very sad to hear of our family losing a very loved member. Ronnie will be missed, but forever in our hearts.. Our prayers are with you... Love Sheryl McQueen

Sheryl McQueen - February 18, 2011 at 10:11 PM

KM

“ You bounced me on your knee when I was little, you always gave a much needed hug whenever I saw you and then when I grew up you sold me tires. I will miss you so much and will always love you. Rest in peace my dear cousin.

Kathy McQueen - February 18, 2011 at 10:10 PM