



Ronald Wayne Dooley

February 26, 2011

Ronald Wayne Dooley, 63, went to be with Christ on Saturday Feb. 26 at Maryview Hospital. He was born in Roanoke, Va. He moved to Portsmouth at the age of 12 and has resided there since. Ronnie was an avid sailor and gardener. He retired from the city of Portsmouth as the Telecom Director after 31 years of service. He was an active member of Park View Christian Church for many years and a Vietnam era veteran.

He was preceded in death by his parents Hettie and Dorsey Dooley. He is survived by his daughter, Lindsay Elizabeth Dooley; grandsons, Mark Thomas Williams and Noah Robert Mahoney; his brother, Ralph Gary Dooley and his nephew, Gary Dooley.

A funeral service will be held at 12:00 p.m. Friday in Park View Christian Church with Pastor Marty Phillips officiating. The burial will on Saturday at 2:00 p.m. in Sherwood Memorial Park, Salem, VA. The family will receive friends in Loving Funeral Home, Churchland Chapel Thursday from 6-8 p.m. and they suggest memorial contributions to the Living Endowment Fund of Park View Christian Church. 3201 Western Branch Blvd. Chesapeake, Va. 23321.

Tribute Wall



“ *"Ronnie Doo" was like a brother to me and became a part of our family. He had a way of ALWAYS making you feel good just being around him and his hugs and smile could and did, make everything better! We had so many great times together sailing on Sea Star, sipping Irish Coffees at HYC when it was cold and Dark & Stormy drinks when it was hot. We had crazy times at Solomon's and fun excursions on 'Vendange'. Our trip down the Colorado River will NEVER be forgotten remember the frogs... and the times he came with us to Cabo San Lucas Mexico are filled with treasured memories of great laughter and fun.*

Ronnie also worked for me at Heirloom Botanica for 2 years after he retired from the city and what a blast that was...I looked forward to that smile and laugh every day and how I miss it now... We will never forget you dear friend. You were one in a million.##imported-begin##Sherl & David Eberwine##imported-end##

March 09, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ *To the family of Ron Dooley,*

I am so very sorry for your loss, I had the opportunity to meet Ron several years ago, and I have to say, it was a great pleasure. Ron was a very kind, caring person, who had an infectious smile. I believe he touched all those that were fortunate enough to meet him. May you rest in peace, Ron.##imported-begin##Christine Moser##imported-end##

March 07, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ *The service was very nice and the church is exactly what I'd expect Ronnie's church to be like: comfortable and friendly.*

I met Ronnie 38 years ago when I worked in DP at the City. He told me about his sailboat racing hobby and I thought doing all that work to go 7 mph was just silly. Later he showed me the boat Mystere which piqued my interest. A few years later and ever since I have been a boater. Thank you my old friend for gently nudging me toward what is now my life-style.

*Dave Hamilton
Commodore, Hampton Yacht Club##imported-begin##David
Hamilton##imported-end##*

March 04, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ *Ron, you will be missed bud. It was a great pleasure knowing you. May you find peace with God.##imported-begin##James R.
Harris##imported-end##*

March 04, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ *Dear Dooley Family,
Ronnie was a very loyal friend during our high school years at Wilson. He was always a gentleman and always kind. I will forever be grateful for our friendship.
My thoughts and prayers are with each of you.*

*Sincerely,
Anna Richardson Shepard##imported-begin##Anna Richardson
Shepard##imported-end##*

March 04, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ *Death leaves a heartache no one can heal, love leaves a memory no one can steal.*

To live in hearts we leave behind is not to die.

While we are mourning the loss of our friend, others are rejoicing to meet him behind the veil.

Tears are God's gift to us. Our holy water. They heal us as they flow.

When someone you love becomes a memory, the memory becomes a treasure.

Ron will be missed.##imported-begin##Dawn Bechtel##imported-end##

March 03, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ *I am so sorry for your loss. I will keep you and "little man" in my thoughts and prayers as well as the rest of your family.##imported-begin##DonnaLynn Johnson##imported-end##*

March 03, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ *Ronnie has been the main man in our grandson's life. Mark Thomas was so blessed to have 9 years with him and he is hurting so deeply. On the way to plan the service Tuesday he said to me, "Bebe, I will help dig the hole." I pray for his comfort. Ronnie is happy with his Lord!!##imported-begin##Bonnie B. Dooley##imported-end##*

March 03, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ He was the big brother I never has, so special, so wonderful... We were the best gardening buddies...we had so much fun...no one had more fun creating a landscape for Heirloom and then celebrating with a beer or two...we loved what we did. Ronnie, I had the most wonderdul times with you and I loved you.
Love, Nancy###imported-begin##Nancy Marslender###imported-end##

March 02, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ We are saddened that we will not be able to offer our condolences in person to Ronnie's family and many friends. He was a nice person with a great big smile. Our hearts go out to those who were fortunate enough to know him well.###imported-begin##Brian and Tami McCauley###imported-end##

March 02, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ Lindsay, my thoughts and prayers are with you.###imported-begin##Sheri Jett###imported-end##

March 02, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ Ron was well loved by his family and many friends. His passing will leave a mark in all our hearts. He will be missed. My heart and sympathy goes out to his family.###imported-begin##B. J. Staneski###imported-end##

March 02, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ *There aren't enough words to describe Ron Dooley. He was one of those special people who was a privilege to know and I feel fortunate that I had the pleasure of knowing him. He was kind, thoughtful, considerate, and caring and will be sorely missed by all that knew him. Rest in Peace. My deepest sympathy to the Dooley family.##imported-begin##Lucille Hanks##imported-end##*

March 02, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ *Dear Lindsay, my thoughts and prayers are with you.##imported-begin##Violet Hankins##imported-end##*

March 01, 2011 at 12:00 AM