



Ron Bales

September 4, 1957 - July 21, 2022

Ronald “Ron” Bales of Ironton, MO entered into rest on Thursday, July 21, 2022, at the age of 64 years, 10 months, and 17 days. He was born September 4, 1957, in Ironton, MO to the late William “Bill” Benny and Margie Alean (Thurman) Bales.

Ron is survived by his three daughters, Crystal Swaringam and husband Tim of Ironton, MO, Kayla Boyd and husband Ryan of Farmington, MO, and Courtney Thomlinson formerly of Ironton, MO; five grandchildren, Chandler Swaringam, Trevor Swaringam, Dayton Boyd, Kinsley Thomlinson, and Addilynn Bloom; his ex-wife and mother to Crystal and Kayla, Vickie Kennedy, and many more loving family members and friends.

He is preceded in rest by his parents, three brothers, Billy Bales, Robert Lee “Bobby” Bales, and Donald Ray “Donny” Bales; and the mother of Courtney, Karen Thomlinson.

After high school, Ron went to technical school in Sikeston, MO, earning several certificates and certifications in auto mechanics and auto repair. With his training he was able to provide and care for his family and follow one of his passions.

Along with having a passion for auto mechanics and fixing up vehicles, he also loved his Harley Davidson motorcycles, his classic rock, and his family. Ron was a member of the Grace Christian Fellowship church in Arcadia, MO, and the Arcadia Valley Eagles Lodge.

Ron was Ron, he could be harsh, stern, and opinionated, or loving, caring,

and soft-spoken. He would show he cared about you in different ways, but his heart was always full of love for those he cared about. He will be missed by all who knew him, and his memory will be cherished by all who loved him.

A Visitation will be held for friends and family on Tuesday, July 26, 2022, beginning at 4:00 pm and lasting until 7:00 pm from the Cole Family Chapel.

A Celebration of Life will be held Tuesday, July 26, 2022, beginning at 7:00 pm from the Cole Family Chapel.

A private family interment will be held at a later date in the Arcadia Valley Memorial Park in Ironton, MO.

In lieu of flowers, friends may make a memorial contribution to St. Jude's Cancer Research.

Online condolences may be made at www.colefamilyfuneralhomes.com.

Cemetery Details

Arcadia Valley Memorial Park

Russellville Road
Ironton, MO 63650

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 26. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Cole Family Funeral Home
210 E Reynolds St
Ironton, MO 63650
(573) 546-0742

Celebration of Life

JUL 26. 7:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Ron Bales*

August 31, 2022 at 12:46 PM



“ *Sherry Bennett lit a candle in memory of Ron Bales*



Sherry Bennett - July 31, 2022 at 10:15 PM



“ *Kayla, I love you so much ♥ -Aubrie*



Aubrie - July 26, 2022 at 07:10 PM



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Cole Family Funeral Home - July 25, 2022 at 05:03 PM



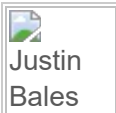
“ As your Cousin we had many memories when we were younger together. My Father, Dallas Thurman, brother to Ron's Mother, Margie, grew apart when my father took a job in STL. Visited on special occasions. Ron was able to use the Social Media these last few years and were able to communicate. Sorry to hear of his passing. Condolences go out to his Family. He loved his daughters & grandchildren. May he R.I.P. God Bless. Your Cousin Vickie Thurman

Vickie Thurman - July 24, 2022 at 08:25 PM

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“ We are so sorry for your loss ❤️. I would like you all to know that last summer (2021) we were visiting Ron sharing memories and talking about God. He informed us that he talked to God often. So I asked him if he died that very day was he sure he would make it to Heaven? His reply was " he hoped so" . So I asked him if he would like to be sure and pray? Without hesitation he said yes. So we prayed with him and he asked the Lord to come into his heart and forgive him of all his sins. He cried and so did we. We had church for a little while right there in his living room. He raised his hands and praised God for quite a while, we did too. Him and Robert (Rabbit) have been friends since they both were very young. This was good for both of them 💜. He asked God to watch over his daughters, and there family's. He also asked him to do the same for his x-wife Vicky and for God to give her strength because she was all the girls were going to have after he died. He talked well about her. When he was talking about old times and how she is a good mom. This was right after Karen had died. He asked God to please let Crystal and Kayla to look out for Courtney because she wasn't going to have either parents. So I know he was sincere and meant every word he prayed. I hope this gives you all some peace ❤️. Once again we're sorry for your loss.

Rhonda and Robert (Rabbit) Holbert - July 23, 2022 at 01:31 AM



Justin
Bales

Wow! Thank you so much for sharing this!

Justin Bales - July 28, 2022 at 04:35 PM