



## Ronald Arthur Wenzel

April 20, 1942 - May 13, 2026

Ronald Arthur Wenzel ("Ron") of Davidson, NC and formerly of Mooresville NC, passed away peacefully at home May 13, 2026, surrounded by his loving family.

He was born April 20, 1942, in Crawfordsville IN, to Arthur Edward and Laura Van Paris Wenzel. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his loving wife of 55 years, Barbara Swanson Wenzel and his sister Marilyn Hatch.

Ron was a graduate of Central High School in South Bend, Indiana, where he met his wife. He then graduated from Purdue University with distinction in Mechanical Engineering. He had a successful forty-year career in engineering and plant management. He loved his work so much that he continued to seek a plant manager position until his last days!

Ron was a longtime member of St. Mark's Lutheran Church in Mooresville, NC. He was a lifelong avid golfer with a scratch handicap. Some of his fondest childhood memories were fishing with his dad and cousins. He will forever be remembered for the funny jokes and stories he shared.

Above all else, Ron treasured his family and the many memories made together, especially trips to the beach. He will forever be remembered as a

loving husband, father, grandfather, great-grandfather, and friend.

He leaves a lasting legacy to be cherished by his survivors including his children, Ronald Arthur Wenzel Jr. (Betsy) of Cornelius NC, Robin Wenzel Blaney of Mooresville NC; grandchildren, Laura Wenzel, Jacob Wenzel (Megan), Evan Wenzel, Alice Wenzel, John Blaney, Erin Blaney, Rosa Somerville (Zach); great-grandchildren, Henry Wenzel, Savannah Somerville, Harper Somerville, and Samantha Somerville; sister Lorraine Andrysiak (Jim); physical therapist and dear friend Kelly Schrader; and a host of cousins, nieces and nephews.

Services include a graveside service at Glenwood Memorial Park (273 Glenwood Drive, Mooresville, NC) on Friday May 22, 2026, at 10:00 a.m. followed by a reception of family and friends at The Pines at Davidson (400 Avinger Lane, Davidson NC 28036) at 2:00 p.m. in The Davidson Room. Please join us as you are able.

The family would like to extend their sincere appreciation to all staff at the Pines at Davidson where he resided for 7½ years, and Hospice (Via Health Partners), for their compassionate and supportive care. Your kindness will never be forgotten.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations can be made to the Resident Support Fund at The Pines at Davidson (<https://tinyurl.com/The-Pines-at-Davidson>) or the Leukemia Research Foundation ([www.leukemiarf.org](http://www.leukemiarf.org)).

Cavin Cook Funeral Home and Crematory of Mooresville, NC, is serving the family. Condolences may be made to the family at [www.cavin-cook.com](http://www.cavin-cook.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Glenwood Memorial Park

273 Glenwood Drive  
Mooresville, NC 28115

# Previous Events

## Graveside Service

MAY **22**. 10:00 AM - 10:30 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

CL

“ Ron, Robin & families, I am so sorry for your loss. Uncle Ronnie and Aunt Barbara were always so kind and generous and will be greatly missed. It was always an absolute pleasure when they were able to visit us in Indiana. Jeff and I thought it was awesome he was still pursuing engineering/plant manager employment until the end.  
Chris (Andrysiak) Layman

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**Chris Layman** - May 25 at 05:13 PM

AR

“ Dear Robin and Family,  
My husband, Marty, and I were so sorry to learn about your dad, Ron.

*He was a lovely man - always ready with his friendly smile and funny story to share in our neighborhood. Ron was also a kind man, always sweet to my dogs as I saw Ron frequently on my walks in our community. He was especially thoughtful to my current dog who has an anxious temperament. Ron never laughed when he saw my little dog trembling and instead, was always soft spoken around him. My scaredy-cat little dog had nothing to fear from him.*

*Your father was a sweet human being with a penchant for story telling. But what I remember best about Ron was his much appreciated kindness to my fearful little old dog.*

*My husband and I are very sorry for your profound loss,*

*Sincerely,*

*Anu Roots*

*Neighbor and fan of both your parents at The Village on Park*

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**Anu Roots** - May 24 at 11:23 PM

LR

“ I have so many good memories of my uncle Ron and aunt Barbara, they were always so kind and loving when we visited them at their house on Lake Norman. Uncle Ronnie, as I called him, always had a good joke and a funny little through the nose laugh. My daughters thought his laugh was so funny. I have nothing but good memories of our times together, he always tried to show us a good time on the lake and was always very generous with us. I miss them both.

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**Laura Repczynski** - May 19 at 09:36 AM

PH

*I would agree with what Laura said. Ron always had a joke and Barbara would roll her eyes and shake her head.*

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**Paul hatch** - May 21 at 09:22 PM

AB

*I remember I was with the family in Palm Beach and we were all sitting having dinner and some how we were talking about books that we have read, and Fifty Shades of Gray came up and uncle Ron pipes up and said he had watched the movie and aunt Barbara looked at him and said “No you haven’t “ and he said “yes I did, it was on tv” it was so funny the look on their faces was priceless everyone couldn’t stop laughing! And then there are his silly jokes I think it would drive aunt Barbara crazy I can hear her say “Oh Ron stop it” So many memories I will cherish! I hope you rest easy uncle Ron! Sending love to all in heaven!*

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**Amy Burke** - May 21 at 09:48 PM