

RONALD "RONNIE" GORDON



Ronald "Ronnie" Gordon went home to be with Jesus Christ his Lord and Savior on Saturday, January 7, 2023. He was born on July 5, 1946 in Dinsmore, to Thurman Gordon and Gloria Hoewischer Mercer. He was raised by his mother and stepfather Jessie Mercer.

Ronnie attended Paxon High School and later received his GED. In his early 40's, Ronnie earned his EMT, paramedic and firefighter certifications, making him the oldest person at that time to attend the Jacksonville Fire Academy. He worked at Nassau County Fire/Rescue and Century Ambulance. Ronnie served as Fire Chief for the Callahan Volunteer Fire Department before taking the position with Nassau County Fire/Rescue. He retired as a paramedic at the age of 62 after having a stroke.

Ronnie was married to the love of his life, Lynn Lewis Gordon, and they just celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on November 3, 2022 by renewing their wedding vows, officiated by Ronnie's Uncle Willard, who officiated their wedding in 1972, at the church where their wedding was held, Live Oak Baptist in Callahan. He dearly loved his children and grandchildren and being called Papa. Though he hasn't been able to go for a few years, Ronnie loved to fish. He could sit there and catch nothing all day and would be just as happy as if he had caught a mess load of fish.

Ronnie was preceded in death by his father; mother; stepfather; sister Susan Mercer; son-in-law Waco Renshaw; grandparents Tracy and Edith Hoewischer, Artemus and Lillie Gordon and Homer and Nettie Mercer.

Ronnie is survived by his wife, Lynn Gordon; son Ronald (Pamela) Gordon, II; daughter Wendy Renshaw; grandchildren Zachary and Zoe Gordon; brother Shelton (Jeanette) Mercer; sisters Kathy Mercer Watts, Carolyn Mercer Townsend and Carol Gordon Cook; brother-in-law Wayne (Sharon) Lewis; sister-in-law Pam Johnson; and numerous nephews and nieces.

A memorial service for Ronnie will be held Saturday, January 21 at 1 p.m. at Live Oak Baptist Church with Pastor Sonny Foraker officiating.

Arrangements by Nassau Funeral Home, Callahan, 904-879-1770, www.nassaufh.com.