



## Ronald A. Runkle

October 28, 1955 - April 20, 2015

Ronald A. Runkle, 59, passed away on Monday, April 20, 2015.

Ron was born in Aurora, IL on October 28, 1955, the son of Shirley Brando and the late Ronald D. Runkle. He graduated from Round Lake High School and later earned his Master's and Law degrees at Southern Illinois University. Ron also spent four years proudly serving his country in the United States Army. When he returned to Lake County, Ron became very active in his community as a member of a variety of committees and boards, particularly in the Exchange Club and the Lions Club. He was also a beloved attorney through his law practice in Lake Villa and Grayslake for 22 years. He was an avid reader, history buff and Cubs and Packers fan. He will be remembered as an honorable, honest, hard- working man of great integrity.

He is survived by his wife Yaeko, daughter Nicole, mother Shirley Brando, brothers Steven, Thomas, and Joel, and by many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his infant daughter Laura, father Ronald D. Runkle, step-father Glenn Brando, and grandfather Elsworth Clark.

Memorial visitation will be from 10 – 11 a.m. on Saturday, April 25, 2015 at Ringa Funeral Home, 122 S. Milwaukee Ave (Rte 83) Lake Villa, IL 60046. A memorial service will begin at 11 a.m. Saturday at the funeral home. In lieu of flowers, please consider a contribution in Ron's memory to:

The Book Bridge  
450 Barron Blvd  
Grayslake, IL 60030

or

Oasis Grayslake Youth Center

151 Hawley St.  
Grayslake, IL 60030

# Previous Events

## Memorial Visitation

APR **25**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Ronald A. Runkle*

October 04, 2023 at 02:13 PM



“ *Ronald A. Runkle*

December 31, 2022 at 11:36 AM

“ Well, if ANYONE knew Ron, you would know there was not enough kind words to say about him. I have moved across country since I last saw Ron, so when I googled him to find his phone number, I find myself very tearful to find he has passed.

*I know his wife does not know us, but we truly felt he was a part of our family. My father Phil Turner was his client, and over the years, my siblings and mother and father received not only untold clarity on any subject we needed from an attorney, but we developed a friendship that went far beyond the office. My father has since passed, but he and our family want to extend our sympathies.*

*I just want to share a piece of a time or two. You see, my father was suffering with multiple sclerosis for almost 50 years. He could use one hand to eat, but other than that, he could do nothing. He and Ron developed what I can only say was an appreciation of each others qualities. My dad's strength of mind and his courage to continue to live for Christ stood out strongly. Ron accepted my fathers limitations as it touched him I believe to my father push on. It usually did affect most folks that way. But Ron went out of his way for the next 20 years, sharing his knowledge, preparing papers, all for a nominal fee. One morning on a Saturday, I called his office and left a message, fully expecting not to hear anything from him until Monday. He called me back within an hour, at 7 am!! He had a soft spot for my dad, and always took care of his needs pronto.*

*When I left Illinois back 4 years ago now, he told me to call whenever I need information on how to proceed with my fathers estate.*

*I just want your entire family to know, he is sorely missed.*

*Time to rest in God's care Ron, you have done well my good and faithful servant.*

*Your friends,*

*Tonya Pieri and family, surviving family of Phillip C. Turner*

JC

“ Ron lived his life in service to others and was one of the most honest, hardworking and ethical attorneys that I have had the pleasure working with. Ron was a personal friend of mine and I will miss our long conversations and working together to help Lake County families. He was so proud of his family and always spoke about his lovely daughter. My thoughts and prayers are with all of you during this difficult time. Please know that I am here if you need anything. It was my honor to call Ron my friend.  
Joel Crabtree, Hillcrest Nursing Center

Joel Crabtree - April 25, 2015 at 10:20 AM

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“ My sincere condolences to Yaeko, Nicole, Joel and mom Shirley in their loss of Ron. I miss his wit, humor, wisdom and most of all his friendship.

Pete Mule' - April 24, 2015 at 10:33 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Ronald A. Runkle.



April 24, 2015 at 06:06 PM



“ 51 files added to the album LifeTributes



Ringa Funeral Home and Cremation Service - April 24, 2015 at 03:40 PM

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“ Ron was bright, nice and true gentleman lawyer. He was my go to guy for many questions and he always took the time to help me out. He will be greatly missed not only by me but by the entire legal community. It was a joy and privilege to know him. Sally Lichter.

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**Sally Lichter** - April 23, 2015 at 12:35 PM

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“ The Board of Directors and members of the Lake County Bar Association and Foundation wish to express our sympathy in the loss of our long-term member and contributor Ron Runkle. We thank his family for sharing his talents with us.

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**Christopher Boadt** - April 22, 2015 at 08:38 PM

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I just heard about Ron yesterday from the Southern Illinois University update. My condolences to Yaeko and family! I knew Ron (and Yaeko) during my undergraduate studies at SIU. Ron became a part of my family's history, but that's a different story. I am glad to see all the good things mentioned about Ron and I don't think I can say it better than they. He was a good man and ethical. His role in the international parties, bowling, and karaoke combined with his lively outgoing nature, always made everybody's time together fun and memorable! I was in Japanese class with Ron and remember when he was trying to get Edwin Reischaur to come and speak on campus. I didn't know who he was at the time and Ron was not only surprised, but he made sure I would never forget! In bowling, he was known as "Little Typhoon" since he had a strong bowling arm. I believe he was the one who put the pie-pan filled with shaving cream in my face during the farewell party he and the Japanese students held for me!

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**Karl Reynolds** - October 03, 2015 at 09:45 PM