



Ronald Lee Epps

May 7, 2025

Ronald Lee Epps passed on Wednesday, May 7, 2025, in Lititz. Ron was born to Callie Epps Sharp and Edward Elias Epps in Bryn Mawr, PA. Ron lives on in the hearts of Patty (Patricia Suzanne Wohlsen Epps), his wife and Ned (Edward Elias Epps, III), his son.

Ron had Primary Progressive Aphasia and Frontotemporal Dementia, a disease that needs more attention and research.

Ron is survived by a brother, Eddie Epps, Jr., his wife, Ina Mae / Buffy and their three children Darren (Abby), Dana (Sam Marcy) and Jared (Melissa) Epps. Ron has two brothers-in-law, Robert Sharpe Wohlsen (Miriam) and Thomas Harry Wohlsen and a sister-in-law, Lynn Wohlsen Myers (W. Logan). Ron cherished his nephews, Marcus (Kim Bennett), Peter (Juno Turner), Andrew and Theodore Wohlsen and niece Carolyn Myers Staszak (Ryan). Great Nieces and Nephews brought Ron joy and he will always treasure the locals - Logan and Lillian Staszak. He loved his late sister-in-law, Rosemary Wohlsen.

Ron graduated from Harriton High School in Rosemont, PA, and West Chester University. Ron worked at Shenk Brothers before starting his thirty-nine-year career at Wohlsen Construction. He is most proud of the award-winning safety program that continues as a core value at Wohlsen today. Ron was the

Assistant Coach of Women's Tennis and Squash at Franklin & Marshall College. He later became the Head Coach of Women's Squash and then the Associate Coach of Men's and Women's Squash. Ron was a member of Lower Merion Baptist and Holy Trinity Lutheran Churches.

Ron will be remembered for his signature smile and hearty laugh that he contributed joyfully to his countless Lancaster and F&M community activities. He loved his Wohlsen and F&M colleagues and was devoted to and cheered for the Diplomat student-athletes for more than forty years.

Ron will be interred in the Holy Trinity Memorial Garden on Wednesday, May 21, 2025. The family will greet visitors in the Parish House 10 AM until the 11 AM Memorial Service at the Church, 31 South Duke Street, Lancaster, PA. In lieu of flowers, please donate to Holy Trinity Lutheran Church at the above address or Franklin & Marshall College, Box 3003, Lancaster, PA 17604.

We appreciate Ron's kind and compassionate care by many individuals and the team at Legend of Lititz.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 21. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church
31 S. Duke Street
Lancaster, PA 17602

Memorial Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *The Groffs Family Funeral and Cremation Services Inc. created a Tribute Video in memory of Ronald Lee Epps*



The Groffs Family Funeral and Cremation Services Inc - May 19, 2025 at 04:16 PM

EG

“ *Patty, I am extremely sorry for Ron's pass away. I worked very close with Ron at Wohlsen for about 25 years. Ron was a wonderful friend and wonderful member of the Wohlsen team. I am also so sorry I could not attend the May 21 Memorial Service because I had a flight early that morning. Now I am back to Lancaster. I wish you and your family members the best going forward.*

Ed Gordon

Ed Gordon - June 15, 2025 at 12:13 PM

MD

“ *Patty and Neddy so very sorry to hear of Ron's passing. Grateful to have known him. His positive personality and laugh could light up a room for sure! He was always there to help in any way he could which spoke volumes to his character. I'm sure he will be sorely missed by all whose lives he touched. Hold fast to those memories. Thoughts and prayers with both of you.*

Mark Daum

Mark Daum - May 22, 2025 at 11:31 AM

PW

“ Dear Patty and family, Ron was such a positive man and so loyal to all. I remember his devotion towards F&M. Not knowing he had been ill, may he now rest in peace and without pain. My prayers are with you. Peace, Paul

Paul Ware - May 21, 2025 at 12:24 PM

MG

“ Thank you for your countless hours of coaching and endless support Mr. Epps! Your wise counsel and laugh brightened many a day.

Margo Green - May 20, 2025 at 12:28 PM

EA

“ Edward A. planted a grove of 5 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ronald Lee Epps.

Edward A. - May 19, 2025 at 04:27 PM



“ 76 files added to the album Life Tributes



The Groffs Family Funeral and Cremation Services Inc - May 19, 2025 at 04:14 PM

SV

“ Dear Patty,
Thinking of you and sending a big hug and heartfelt condolences at this difficult time.
Stefanie Valar and Ed Hauck

Stefanie Valar - May 18, 2025 at 04:00 PM



“ 0 file added to the tribute wall

The Groffs Family Funeral and Cremation Services Inc - May 16, 2025 at 04:54 PM

GT

“ Ginger Tylus & Kelsey Tylus Testa planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ronald Lee Epps.

Ginger Tylus & Kelsey Tylus Testa - May 16, 2025 at 10:49 AM

GT

“ Ginger Tylus & Kelsey Tylus Testa purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Ronald Lee Epps.



Ginger Tylus & Kelsey Tylus Testa - May 16, 2025 at 10:49 AM

DB

“ Ron an I started the ABC Apprenticeship Program together and then worked at Wohlsen together all the years he was employed there. I will remember him as always good for a laugh! He will be missed by all. Rest in peace my friend.

Dave & Cindy Brooks - May 14, 2025 at 07:34 PM

KB

“ I was blessed to have worked with Ron at Wohlsen for many years. He was a kind, friendly, and fun man who generously gave of his time, knowledge, and self whenever asked. Ron was a treasure. An absolute treasure. Rest in peace in the arms of the Lord, Ron. Peace be with you, Patty.

Karen Becker - May 14, 2025 at 06:28 AM

MB

“ Ron was are neighbor for 36 years!
What a friendly person, couldn't get one better than him!
That smile was contagious.
Love and Sympathy to Patty and family.
They leave a whole in our Hearts 🙏❤️

Mary Ann Blough - May 13, 2025 at 04:08 PM

DA

“ I will never ever forget Ron's laughter. That used to brightened up my stressful days at work. I used to play ping pong with him and he always beat me and laughed about it!!!! 😊 Also he used to like when I did my dancing clases in activities and played the song Purple Rain. He was a sweet man Happy man.
Love you Ron. (Dalilah)

Dalilah - May 11, 2025 at 07:33 PM

GA

“ Spent many happy times with Ron and all the LCHS parents who worked on the carnival. He was always so joyful and we remember him fondly. May he rest in peace. Prayers for his family's consolation.

ginny ansbach - May 11, 2025 at 08:33 AM

ER

“ Ron- such a kind and winning personality. His memory is a blessing.

edward ripple - May 10, 2025 at 03:10 PM

DM

“ Ron was a wonderful person and I feel blessed to have known him (& Patty) as my coach(es) at F&M. I remember him always with a smile on his face and his great sense of humor. Ron & Patty were my very favorite people at college. My deepest condolences to all of his family.

Love, Dodie

Dodie Morris - May 10, 2025 at 12:51 PM

AL

I am so sorry for your loss Patty. I did not know Ron, but I remember you talking about him. Please know I am praying for you and your family

Love,
Ann Lebedeff

Ann Lebedeff - May 12, 2025 at 01:21 PM

MM

Dear Patty,
Shannon called to let me know about Ron's passing. I am so sorry Patty. It is not an easy time, Ron was such a nice man. He was always so pleasant when we would visit F&M. You are in my prayers. Fondly,
Gail Martin, Shannon's mom.

Mrs. Gail A Martin - May 12, 2025 at 03:21 PM

AM

I was sad to read of Ron's passing in the paper this morning. It was always a joy to chat with Ron while covering sporting events at F&M. I am so sorry for your loss Patty.

Amy Myers

Amy Myers - May 14, 2025 at 09:19 AM

PI

*Spent the last few days remembering great times. LCC summer swim team. Lititz Rec winter swimming. many smiles with Sheaffer family.
Thank you*

Paul Sheaffer, II - May 17, 2025 at 09:20 AM