



Mr. Ronald Lyn Smith

October 23, 1975 - March 12, 2024

Ronald Lyn Smith, affectionately known as Ron, passed away on March 12, 2024. He was born to Alicia Roberts (formerly Smith) and Anthony Smith on October 23, 1975 in Talladega, Alabama. In his early years, he and his siblings, Crystal Wright (formerly Smith) and Bradley Smith lived in Columbia, South Carolina. It was in Columbia, watching his father create art for local businesses, that Ron developed a love and passion for the craft that nearly drove his existence.

After the family moved to the metro Atlanta area, Ron still pursued art, working closely with his high school art teacher, Mr. Aiken, to not only excel beyond his peers but also to solidify his name and style amongst Atlanta art giants.

Atlanta not only birthed a new art style for Ron, it also birthed his family. It was in Atlanta that Ron met his high school sweetheart, Jennifer Misenheimer, who he later married and started a family. His wife and children, Linnea, Camron, Kira, and Ethan, supported Ron's dreams and desires to make Atlanta a home for the South's thriving art culture. In raising his children and pursuing his dream, Ron created a successful life for himself and immense hope for those who witnessed.

Driven to make Atlanta home to the nation's most influential creators, Ron

spent much of his time mentoring children, adolescents, and young adults. His sole desire was to make each student a better artist. He created a community founded on inclusion, diversity, respect, and passion. He gave artists an outlet and a space where they could grow, find themselves, and reach back to help another just beginning his or her journey. The culture Ron created promises to have a multigenerational impact.

Ron's love shone through his work and relationships. His ability to love so effortlessly and selflessly is a testament to his knowledge of and love for God. A passionate follower of Christ, Ron lived his life seeking Heaven's glory, determined to finish well.

Ron's physical presence will be profoundly missed, but his spirit and work will live through his children, Linnea Bahlinger, Camron Smith, Kira Smith, and Ethan Smith; his grandchildren: Kyair Ali Frazier and Garon Marquel Tyrek Frazier, Jr.; his former spouse and best friend: Jennifer Smith; his parents: Alicia H. Roberts (mother), Anthony L. Smith (father), Sheryl Smith (stepmother), and Diane Stephens (mother-in-love); his siblings: Crystal S. Wright (sister), Galen L. Wright (brother-in-law), Bradley C. Smith (brother), Victoria S. Young (sister), Dontaye Young (brother-in-law), and Jason Wuerdeman (brother-in-love); his nieces: Kennedy Wright, Kaylynn Smith, Lily Young, Gia Wright, Kristen Wright, Dallas Wright, Daylin Wuerdeman, and Makenzii Wuerdeman; nephews: Myron Wright, Christopher Wright, and Logan Young; host of aunts, uncles, cousins, friends, Gallery 992, and the Atlanta art community.

Cemetery Details

Green Meadow Memorial Gardens

699 American Legion Rd
Conyers, Ga 30012

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 22. 12:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Gregory B. Levett & Sons Funeral Homes & Crematory-Rockdale
1999 Hwy. 138 SE
Conyers, GA 30013

Family Hours

MAR 22. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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Conyers, GA 30013

Celebration of Life Service

MAR 23. 1:00 PM (ET)

Gregory B. Levett and Sons - Rockdale Chapel
1999 Hwy 138 SE
Conyers , GA 30013

Tribute Wall

LG

“ Love, Kimberly Arnold and Asia Gill planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mr. Ronald Lyn Smith.

Love, Kimberly Arnold and Asia Gill - March 22, 2024 at 05:19 PM



“ Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mr. Ronald Lyn Smith.



March 22, 2024 at 05:19 PM



“ Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Mr. Ronald Lyn Smith.



March 21, 2024 at 11:58 AM

KA

“ Kathy Arnold planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mr. Ronald Lyn Smith.

Kathy Arnold - March 21, 2024 at 12:13 AM

KA

“ Kathy Arnold purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of Mr. Ronald Lyn Smith.



Kathy Arnold - March 21, 2024 at 12:13 AM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Mr. Ronald Lyn Smith.



March 20, 2024 at 11:47 PM

VK

“ Virginia Kirby planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mr. Ronald Lyn Smith.

Virginia Kirby - March 20, 2024 at 07:25 PM



“ Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Mr. Ronald Lyn Smith.



March 20, 2024 at 07:25 PM

CW

“ Crystal W. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mr. Ronald Lyn Smith.

Crystal W. - March 20, 2024 at 05:27 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mr. Ronald Lyn Smith.



March 20, 2024 at 05:27 PM



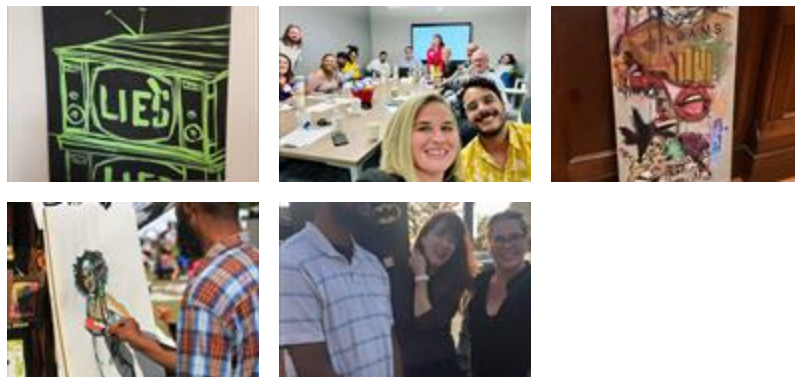
“ Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mr. Ronald Lyn Smith.



March 20, 2024 at 01:48 PM

Aura-
Leigh
Sanders

“ Ron was a one-of-a-kind soul, a powerful force in the art world and the world in general. He was one of the select few who were the beating heart of Dizzy Gypsy for so many years and the thriving creative community here in Lawrenceville and Gwinnett wouldn't be what it is today without his inspiration. I will miss his wit and calm, confident explanations of how he viewed life and all of us in it during those busy studio days that I was lucky enough to be present for when he was working and creating. He will always be missed and loved by many.



Aura-Leigh Sanders - March 19, 2024 at 08:52 PM

CW

“ Crystal Wright lit a candle in memory of Mr. Ronald Lyn Smith



Crystal Wright - March 17, 2024 at 05:02 PM

CW

I love you and I'm so glad you're getting to experience eternity with Jesus!

Crystal Wright - March 17, 2024 at 05:04 PM

JD

“ I can’t even begin to explain how lucky I feel that I got to know Ron and work with him, literally almost every day including holidays for a few years even- I’d seen him everywhere and at every hour for probably 20 years, pursuing his passion. I have never known another artist with this kind of Drive, he was rarely without a brush or pencil or clay tools in his hands. Working in the clay studio and doing raku with him was truly one of the highlights of my entire life, and I deeply appreciate his family for sharing him so generously with the world. Love to you all ❤️



Jodi Duke - March 17, 2024 at 07:46 AM

JS

“ Missing my ridiculously talented, funny, intelligent, art-obsessed friend today and forever. Love to Mom and Pops and the whole family. Thank you for giving the world our Ron, he was special and singular, and he will never, ever be forgotten.

Love you forever my brother. ❤️



Judi Schneider - March 15, 2024 at 11:41 AM