



## Ron Knievel

October 11, 1970 - January 10, 2013

Ronald "Ron" Knievel, 42 of Ft. Collins, died January 10, 2013 at his home. A Memorial Mass will be celebrated at 9:30 am Saturday, January 19th at St. Joseph Catholic Church, with interment in Loveland Burial Park immediately afterwards.

Ronald Martin Knievel was born October 11, 1970 in Chicago, IL and was a graduate of Ft. Collins High School in 1989. After graduation, Ron worked at Copper Mountain and then tried furniture manufacturing and bicycle repair. He returned to the mountains and worked as a night cook in Steamboat Springs so he could snowboard all day. Soon, he realized a real job was needed, so he came down from the mountains and began working for Applied Films in Longmont; where he became a thin film technician, allowing (and requiring) him to travel extensively all over the world.

Ron loved skate boarding and snow boarding as well as long-distance bicycling. He also loved his German shepherd dogs.

Ron is survived by his mother, Janet Knievel of Ft. Collins; his grandmother, Alice Knievel; an uncle, Jerry Knievel; aunt, Joan (and TK) Jones; uncle, Mike (and Margaret) Knievel; Aunt Jackie Knievel; and cousins, Eric Jones, Kristin Jones, Tim Knievel and Brian Knievel.

Please go to [www.goesfuneralcare.com](http://www.goesfuneralcare.com) to see Ron's online obituary, share photos and tributes or send condolences.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Ron Knievel* ”

October 25, 2022 at 06:14 PM



“ *Jason Knievel lit a candle in memory of Ron Knievel* ”



**Jason Knievel** - August 11, 2022 at 01:10 PM



“ *I was just thinking of you! Miss my friend* ”



**Ingrid Copper** - June 16, 2021 at 03:28 AM



“ *Haiden Moody lit a candle in memory of Ron Knievel* ”



**Haiden Moody** - April 20, 2019 at 03:57 AM

MK

“ Margaret Knievel lit a candle in memory of Ron Knievel



Margaret Knievel - January 10, 2018 at 09:41 AM

MK

“ Margaret Knievel lit a candle in memory of Ron Knievel



Margaret Knievel - October 11, 2016 at 12:18 PM

MK

“ Margaret Knievel lit a candle in memory of Ron Knievel



Margaret Knievel - January 10, 2016 at 08:35 AM

MK

“ Margaret Knievel lit a candle in memory of Ron Knievel



Margaret Knievel - January 10, 2015 at 09:13 AM

MK

“ Margaret Knievel lit a candle in memory of Ron Knievel



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Margaret Knievel - January 10, 2015 at 05:57 AM

MK

“ Margaret Knievel lit a candle in memory of Ron Knievel



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Margaret Knievel - January 28, 2013 at 11:16 AM

AS

“ Angela Dawn Stillman lit a candle in memory of Ron Knievel



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angela dawn stillman - January 27, 2013 at 01:29 PM

NW

“ Janet & family  
I am sorry to hear about the loss of your son. I hope that all of your memories will bring you comfort. Sincerely, Nancy (Doremus) Weitzel

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Nancy J. Weitzel - January 27, 2013 at 12:06 PM

WE

“ *Jan - May you be comforted by your faith, family and friends. My heart goes out to you. Wanda*

**wanda ernst** - January 26, 2013 at 09:06 AM

CH

“ *Carol And Andy Hiller lit a candle in memory of Ron Knievel*



**Carol and Andy Hiller** - January 21, 2013 at 05:56 PM

BB

“ *Brett And Heather Birkhofer lit a candle in memory of Ron Knievel*



**Brett and Heather Birkhofer** - January 20, 2013 at 07:30 AM

PR

“ *Paul Richardson lit a candle in memory of Ron Knievel*



**Paul Richardson** - January 19, 2013 at 04:50 PM

RN

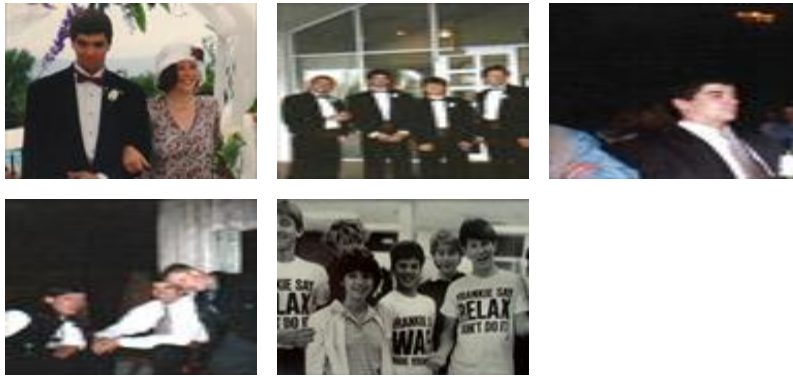
“ Rick Nichols lit a candle in memory of Ron Knievel



Rick Nichols - January 19, 2013 at 11:44 AM

TT

“ 5 files added to the album Forever in our Hearts



Tracy Thompson - January 19, 2013 at 09:26 AM

EJ

“ Erica Johnson lit a candle in memory of Ron Knievel



Erica Johnson - January 19, 2013 at 12:59 AM

DF

“ *Dana Foster lit a candle in memory of Ron Knievel*



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**Dana Foster** - January 18, 2013 at 10:21 PM

TA

“ *Tanya An lit a candle in memory of Ron Knievel*



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**Tanya An** - January 18, 2013 at 08:18 PM

GA

“ *Greg Angus lit a candle in memory of Ron Knievel*



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**greg angus** - January 18, 2013 at 08:06 PM

SR

“ *Janet, So sorry to hear of your loss. Our prayers are with you.*

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**Susan Rowland** - January 18, 2013 at 03:57 PM

SR

“ Susan Rowland lit a candle in memory of Ron Knievel



Susan Rowland - January 18, 2013 at 03:55 PM

CC

“ Christa Clarkin lit a candle in memory of Ron Knievel



Christa Clarkin - January 18, 2013 at 02:10 PM

CC

Ron- you will be missed! i remember having classes with you in school and how entertaining class was. May you rest in peace. My thoughts and prayers are with your family. - Class of 89, FCHS

Christa Clarkin - January 18, 2013 at 02:16 PM



“ My condolences to Ron's mother who he loved so much and all his family and friends. I will carry Ron's memory with me always. We started as co-workers at Applied Films and became friends. My thoughts return to his smile, making work fun, margaritas at The Rio, ski trips, camping, many games of shuffle board at Gerry D's, long talks, and lots of laughter, to name a few. I'm so happy to have known and loved you. God Bless you Ron. -Kathleen Nicholl Haley

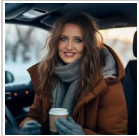
Kathleen Haley - January 18, 2013 at 11:56 AM

JL

“ Jennifer Lemos lit a candle in memory of Ron Knievel



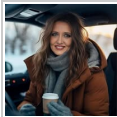
Jennifer Lemos - January 18, 2013 at 09:53 AM



“ Brandi Williams Cmt lit a candle in memory of Ron Knievel



Brandi Williams Cmt - January 18, 2013 at 09:36 AM



*Ron, you will always be missed, We had so much fun in so many classes and always made us laugh or made some off the wall comment that had us all in stitches. I always had a nick name for you "Ron Evil Knievel" because you were always doing crazy things with us. I am so glad that you now are an angel that is now looking down on all of us. Know that you are and will be in my heart forever.*

*Brandi Williams, Class of 1989 Fort Collins High School*

Brandi Williams Cmt - January 18, 2013 at 09:42 AM

BN

“ Bonnie Nations lit a candle in memory of Ron Knievel



Bonnie Nations - January 18, 2013 at 09:24 AM

TM

“ *His heart was as big as the mountains he loved.*

*Fiercely loyal, impishly playful and more generous than anyone I've met. Raise your hand if you had an argument with him about who was paying the tab and then a longer debate about the insanely high tip he insisted on leaving.*

*Have a Rio margarita in his honor. I know I will.*

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**Tony Muscott** - January 18, 2013 at 09:03 AM



“ *Jan & Family...Please know that you are in our thoughts and prayers during this difficult time!! May God bring you the peace you need!*



*Paul, Kaye, Tess, Ty, Shanna, Paul & Olivia Guerrero*

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**Tess Guerrero** - January 18, 2013 at 08:43 AM

CS

“ *Carie Conway Sibbald lit a candle in memory of Ron Knievel*



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**Carie Conway Sibbald** - January 17, 2013 at 09:57 PM

HS

“ Heidi Swinney lit a candle in memory of Ron Knievel



Heidi Swinney - January 17, 2013 at 06:30 PM

HS

*Rest peacefully Ron...you were cared about by so many more than you know.*

Heidi Swinney - January 17, 2013 at 06:32 PM

KK

“ Ron was a good friend of my son, Derek Knuffke. After I joined FB he posted on my page. From that time on we wrote messages to each other and he always was a huge help to me when I was down. I prayed nightly for him to be rid of his pain and I guess the prayers were answered in a sad and mysterious way. I will miss him deeply.  
Kathy Knuffke

Kathy Knuffke - January 17, 2013 at 03:56 PM

KK

“ Kathy Knuffke lit a candle in memory of Ron Knievel



Kathy Knuffke - January 17, 2013 at 11:15 AM

KK

*What blessing Ron was, always made me feel better, even when he was feeling bad. I will miss his FB messages. Ron was so kind. kathy k*

kathy Knuffke - January 18, 2013 at 10:38 PM

AS

“ Ashley Sewald lit a candle in memory of Ron Knievel



Ashley Sewald - January 17, 2013 at 10:44 AM

SD

“ Stefanie DeBey lit a candle in memory of Ron Knievel



Stefanie DeBey - January 17, 2013 at 08:58 AM

JH

“ Joni Hall lit a candle in memory of Ron Knievel



Joni Hall - January 17, 2013 at 07:31 AM

JM

“ Jennifer Miskol lit a candle in memory of Ron Knievel



Jennifer Miskol - January 17, 2013 at 07:27 AM

NS

“ *Nicci Snyder lit a candle in memory of Ron Knievel*



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**Nicci Snyder** - January 17, 2013 at 07:04 AM

NS

*The world will never be the same. Those who got to know you, knew it was a privilege and an honor. Even those who really didn't know you, were privileged to be anywhere near you. Go with the angels...until we meet again.*

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**Nicci Snyder** - January 19, 2013 at 01:30 PM

TR

“ *Todd K. Reed lit a candle in memory of Ron Knievel*



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**Todd K. Reed** - January 17, 2013 at 06:58 AM

BR

“ *Bob Rozelle lit a candle in memory of Ron Knievel*



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**Bob Rozelle** - January 17, 2013 at 06:20 AM

MO

“ 1 file added to the album *New Album Name*



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**Marie March Ostermiller** - January 17, 2013 at 12:19 AM

MO

“ *Marie March Ostermiller lit a candle in memory of Ron Knievel*



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**Marie March Ostermiller** - January 17, 2013 at 12:13 AM

MO

*Thank you Ron for being YOU! You will always have a special place in all our hearts.*

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**Marie March Ostermiller** - January 17, 2013 at 12:15 AM

JJ

“ One of my most precious memories is the weekend Ron came down to Lafayette to be a part of my birthday weekend. He shows up out of the blue in a department store and decides he is taking Destiny and I shopping for my birthday. He picked the mall. He reminded me that he had not stepped foot in a mall in well over a decade so this was a big deal. We stopped and got ice cream from Dairy Queen and he told us about his moms favorite ice cream as he ate it. He wanted to take me shopping for anything I wanted. Well, my idea of a gift and his was way different. I wanted to make a teddy bear at Build a bear factory so I made him suffer through the entire process... At the end I asked him to put the heart in the bear before they stitched it up and he wouldn't because he was a guy and that just wasn't cool. Not cool at all according to him.... We also shopped for other items that night. We found some awesome Avalanche shirts and he purchased a watch that meant a lot to him. It was tied to a special story he shared with Mike. It was a great night. My daughter Destiny and I had so much fun with him.

The next day at my birthday lunch he slipped me a little pouch. Inside this pouch was a wood-carved heart... He said there was my heart he didn't give me..... I have held it often these last two days.

Ron always had a way with making us laugh and allowed us to be as weird and strange as we wanted. One of those friends you truly can allow yourself to be real with. I will never forget him always being there for me. Always remember the thumb wars that came with every visit. I never won because his hands were twice the size of mine.

I love ya man,

Jeanna



Jeanna Johnson - January 17, 2013 at 12:04 AM

JJ

“ 1 file added to the album Friends



Jeanna Johnson - January 16, 2013 at 11:36 PM

JJ

“ Jeanna Johnson lit a candle in memory of Ron Knievel



Jeanna Johnson - January 16, 2013 at 11:24 PM

MW

“ Ron was a good person I remember just sitting with him when we moved to the new buildinf. He will be missed very much but will always be in our hearts.



michele watkins - January 16, 2013 at 11:16 PM

SW

“ Sherri Werner lit a candle in memory of Ron Knievel



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sherri werner - January 16, 2013 at 10:59 PM

SW

“ I have soo many memories of Ron I don't know where to begin... This one is from a few years ago. I took my dog Mercury to the veterinarian. Mercury was a beautiful, extremely timid, weimareiner. She was selective in who she trusted. I ended up having to leave her at the vet. The doc called a couple hours later telling me Mercury was so nervous she got loose and ran away through an open door, they couldn't find her. I was frantic. We (the vet and I) were searching for her for hours. I didn't know what to do. Ron worked near the vet's office so I sent him a message asking him to keep an eye out for her when he left at the end of the day. He called me back 10 minutes later saying he had Mercury. After he got my message Ron immediately left work and found her. He said he knew she would be scared and somehow just knew where she would be. Ron was such a thoughtful, caring, unselfish person, putting others ahead of himself. He didn't even think twice about going and finding my dog. That was the type of person he was. If he knew you were going through a hard time or just needed to talk, he was there for you. No questions asked. He's as true of a friend as you can get. I am honored to have been able to call him my friend. I will miss him beyond words.

- Sherri Werner

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sherri werner - January 16, 2013 at 09:38 PM

AD

“ *Aimee Reager Dannels lit a candle in memory of Ron Knievel*



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**Aimee Reager Dannels** - January 16, 2013 at 05:26 PM