



## Ronald David Sterling

April 6, 1936 - August 12, 2020

Predeceased by loving wife: Mary. Survived by his siblings: Ray Sterling, Marie Kisling, Lyn Widor; and Mary's 4 Children, 8 Grand Children and 6 Great Grand Children.

Ron grew up in Buck Run, Pennsylvania. After serving in the United States Army he planted his roots in Rochester, New York to start his lengthy career at Eastman Kodak. He transferred to Kodak Colorado in Windsor in 1975 and married the love of his life Mary.

Ron's love of the outdoors continued to grow in Colorado. He was recognized as an Advanced Master Gardener and shared his expertise with local gardeners. Educating many to the joys of growing their own food. Ron and Mary were also patrons and board members of the Windsor Community Players. Helping to foster appreciation of the arts and music within the community.

While Ron never had his own children, his step children became his own family. Ron's love of his grandchildren and great grandchildren is what has become his greatest legacy.

To honor Ron's life please consider a gift to your local food bank and remember to invest time with your family.



# Tribute Wall

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“ Ron was a kind gentle giant, with interesting conversations. He would stop by occasionally to visit with my husband Harvey, (who passed away two years ago). I was impressed when Ron told us he was a Master Gardener. His beautiful garden showed it. I have missed seeing Ron drive by in his pickup, take his trash can out to the street, retrieve his mail or working in his garden. His tasks were getting more difficult to do with his condition and walker, but he was a strong, independent man with a lot of determination even when life became difficult for him. Ron is missed, and also Mary who meant a lot to me. Both Ron & Mary were very good neighbors. My condolences to your family.

Sally Roth

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**Sally Roth** - August 17, 2020 at 07:57 PM

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*Thank you Sally for sharing such nice memories*

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**Kent Young** - August 19, 2020 at 08:45 PM

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“ He was my stepdad for 45 years...  
Taught me to hunt, garden, raise livestock, butcher, and sharpen knives just to mention a few.  
He was a loving, giving, patient, kind big hearted man... “The Big Guy” as he was affectionately called.  
A stepdad, grandfather, great grandfather, loving husband, father in law, brother, and uncle. He wore many hats during his life. Many of them the 10 gallon variety.  
He played the part of Santa many years, filling the eyes and hearts of grandchildren, great grandchildren, and children of friends, with joy and excitement! In full Santa garb, he would approach the front doors of these little ones, shaking “reindeer” bells, and giving a deep resounding ho, ho, ho!  
As a Colorado Master Gardener, he created wonderful vegetable and flower gardens. Even now, we enjoy the fruits of his labor, and love, to making the perfect Colorado growing soil.

*Ron will be greatly missed*

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**Kent Young** - August 16, 2020 at 08:33 PM

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“ Ron and Mary were our neighbors from 1983 until 1994 when we lived in the Roth Subdivision. Ron was a good man and a good neighbor. I have fond memories of him showing our children the chickens sharing the great produce from his impressive garden. Eric Pabo and Karla Fossoy

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**Eric Pabo** - August 16, 2020 at 05:45 PM

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*Thank you Eric for the kind words*

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**Kent Young** - August 19, 2020 at 08:44 PM

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*A hug from Ron was the kind that lifted your soul and you left just feeling so warm. I loved the gardens, jams and the home he and Mary made. Sweet generous people . Lovely Loving kind grandparents !*  
*Gwen*

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**Gwen Badgerow** - August 30, 2020 at 04:09 PM