



## Ronald Lee Milledge

May 16, 1958 - April 2, 2026

Ronald Lee Milledge was born on May 16, 1958, in Waynoka, Oklahoma, to Clayton Lewis Milledge and Wilma Lorene (Quinn) Milledge. Ronald passed from this life on April 2, 2026 at his home in Pauls Valley, Oklahoma surrounded by his family.

He grew up in Waynoka and graduated from Waynoka High School in 1976. He went on to attend Northwestern Oklahoma State University, earning a bachelor's degree in Mechanical Drafting in 1981. Continuing his education, Ronald later completed a one-year certificate in Computer-Aided Drafting Technology from Three Rivers Community Technical College in 1995.

On March 7, 1981, Ronald married the love of his life, Viola Marie (Burnidge) Milledge, in Alva, Oklahoma. Their marriage was marked by devotion, partnership, and a shared commitment to family and faith.

Ronald lived a life of service, hard work, and dedication. He served in the Oklahoma Army National Guard from 1975 to 1987 as a Field Artilleryman. During those years, he also worked at the Farmer's Co-Op Gas Station in Alva, Oklahoma from 1976 to 1986. He later worked as a phone repairman for GTE in Shattuck, Oklahoma from 1986 to 1987.

In 1987, Ronald enlisted in the United States Navy, where he served honorably as a submariner and Electronic Technician until 1995. Following his military service, he pursued a long and successful career in drafting. He worked in Computer-Aided Drafting at Barrett Trailers in Purcell, Oklahoma from 1995 to 2015, and then served as Drafting Supervisor at Burford

Corporation in Maysville, Oklahoma from 2015 until 2026.

Ronald was a man of deep and abiding faith. He attended church throughout his life and served in many capacities, always placing God at the center of everything he did. He was also a proud member of the Garvin County Chorale Society, where he shared his love of music by participating in numerous productions and concerts.

Those who knew Ronald will remember him as a devoted Christian, a loving husband, a proud father and grandfather, and a steadfast patriot. He believed firmly that God came first, family second, and career third—and he lived that belief every day. He was a sensible and effective leader, a loyal friend, a jovial grandfather, and a skilled craftsman who took pride in his work. He will be deeply missed by all who knew and loved him.

Ronald is survived by his wife Viola Marie (Burnidge) Milledge of the home; Son, Joshua Milledge and wife Courtney of Clover, South Carolina; Daughter, Rebecca Underwood and husband Gary of Muskogee, Oklahoma; Brother, Larry Milledge and wife Gayla of Waynoka, Oklahoma; Grandchildren, Haley Milledge, Harper Underwood, Hadlee Underwood; and a host of other family and friends.

Ronald was preceded in death by his parents, Clayton and Wilma Milledge; Half-Brothers, Gale Percival, Lewis Milledge; and Stepbrother, Donald Cravens.

Memorial Services for Ronald will be on Friday, April 10, 2026 at 10:00 A.M. at Wooster Funeral Home Chapel in Pauls Valley, Oklahoma with Pastors Jeremy Clayton and Gary Underwood officiating. If you would like to send your condolences to the family, you may do so at [www.woosterfuneralhomes.com](http://www.woosterfuneralhomes.com)

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

APR **10**. 10:00 AM (CT)

Wooster Funeral Home and Cremation Services (Pauls Valley)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ *The members of the United States Submarine Veterans Oklahoma City have added Ron to our Eternal Patrol Webpage.*

<https://ussvi-okc.org/members-on-eternal-patrol>

*Todd Holmes  
USSVI-OKC Base Commander*

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**Todd Holmes** - May 22 at 01:35 PM

LL

“ *So sorry to hear the passing of Ronald. May God wrap this family in his loving arm. Comfort and support them in the time of lose and sorrow I pray. Amen*



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**Lisa Lopshire** - April 19 at 09:39 PM

MT

“ *So sorry I will not be able to attend the service today. You all will be in my prayers.  
Melody*

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**Melody Townsend** - April 10 at 09:48 AM

LI

“ *Mr Milledge always had a smile. So sorry for your loss. May God be with you through this time.*

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**Libby** - April 08 at 12:37 PM

JT

“ *Joyce Tate lit a candle in memory of Ronald Milledge*



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**Joyce Tate** - April 08 at 12:08 PM

RU

*Thank you so much for the beautiful flowers!*

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**Rebecca (Milledge) Underwood** - April 10 at 07:28 PM

DD

“ *Debra ( Furgason) Dodd lit a candle in memory of Ronald Milledge*



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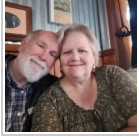
**Debra ( Furgason) Dodd** - April 07 at 08:01 PM

RU

*Thank you!*

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**Rebecca (Milledge) Underwood** - April 10 at 07:29 PM



“ *Darrell and I met Ron and Marie when we moved to Pauls Valley in 2014 and attended church at First Church of God. Over the years we developed a sweet friendship with them. We usually went out to lunch every Sunday after church. Those were some fun times. During our church's trunk of treat we were usually sitting next to Ron and Marie and he would give me a hard time about eating some of the candy and he was eating it to. Ron and Marie led our singing at church and sometimes Ron would do sign language to the song. It was beautiful. We got a chance to see Ron at church Sunday before he passed. I gave him a big hug, told him I was praying for him and I loved him. It was so hard to believe he was gone by Thursday. We will miss you brother and our time before church during our fellowship. Rest now for your work is done. Love you. Darrell and Kay*



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**Kay Keith** - April 07 at 05:02 PM

RU

*Thank you!*

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**Rebecca (Milledge) Underwood** - April 10 at 07:29 PM

LH

“ *Linda Hofen lit a candle in memory of Ronald Milledge*



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**Linda Hofen** - April 07 at 10:49 AM

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*Thank you!*

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**Rebecca (Milledge) Underwood** - April 10 at 07:29 PM

MW

“ *Marietta Washington lit a candle in memory of  
Ronald Milledge*



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**Marietta Washington** - April 06 at 07:48 PM

RU

*Thank you!*

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**Rebecca (Milledge) Underwood** - April 10 at 07:28 PM

JM

“My father and I both served in the 45th Infantry Division and both in the Field Artillery. He was a Section Chief on the self-propelled 8” howitzer platform when it was still in service (and commanded one of my future Battery Commanders), and I rose to serve as Platoon Sergeant on the 105mm and 155mm weapons systems. He went on to serve in the Naval “Silent Service” aboard the USS Hyman G Rickover—a fast attack submarine named after the Father of the Nuclear Submarine. It was the first of two boats with the namesake. One of my greatest memories was when my father would take me to the shipyard to see the massive vessels moored there. It would make my week when I was younger! As a kid who was obsessed with Naval battles and Tom Clancy novels, he knew this was one of the greatest gifts he could bestow. I was so proud to have a father serving in the same Branch and vessels about which I was constantly learning. I now transport horses all over the country and often drive past the same East Coast shipyards from across their adjacent bays and always remember my father and how he would share this unique experience with me.

He was a legend and still is to many people. I was fortunate to be raised with his example and emulate him in both the military and civilian occupations. He’s now serving a higher calling in heaven from which he better supports his family away from the pain that plagued him these past few months. I love you, Dad!

**BRAVO ZULU!**



Joshua Milledge - April 06 at 06:32 PM