



Ronald "Skip" Krause

March 17, 1953 - October 24, 2018

Ronald "Skip" Krause was born March 17, 1953 in Pensacola, FL to Ronald and Grace Swanson (Anderson). After his father's death two weeks later, Grace and Skip moved to Lake Bronson, MN to live with aunt and uncle Marian and Howard Blehm. They started over in Grand Forks, ND in 1955 when Grace married Dell Krause who adopted and raised Skip as his own.

Skip attended UND in Grand Forks where he majored in social work and was a member of the TKE fraternity. He spent his summers working at YMCA camps, including Triangle Y Camp in Garrison, ND where he met his sweetheart Ann Warner. They were married by the pond at camp in 1978.

They spent their early years at Camp Crockett (now Jackson) in Rye, CO and Triangle Y in Garrison, ND where Skip was camp director. They owned the Stone Inn Supper Club in Garrison, and eventually settled down in Minot, ND to raise their daughter Allison.

Skip went back to school and became an addiction counselor, first with St. Joseph's Hospital, and finally as Department Manager of the Chemical Dependency Unit at Trinity Health.

Skip, Ann, and Allison spent their summers boating on Lake Sakakawea. After Skip's retirement in 2006, Skip and Ann began spending their winters in Sarasota, FL which grew into a permanent home.

Skip was an unassuming, generous, and caring person who showed his affection through his love of cooking. He was happiest soaking up the sun or curling up with his dog. He became "Papa" in 2015 and found ultimate joy in his grandkids, Jack and Robin.

On October 24, 2018, Skip passed away of complications from his long battle with heart disease. He was preceded in death by his parents, Ronald Swanson, Grace Krause, and Wendell Krause and uncle Howard Blehm. He is survived by his wife Ann Krause, daughter Allison Barrett (Michael), grandchildren Jack and Robin, brother Rod Krause (Judy), aunt Marian Blehm, and other beloved family.

A memorial will be held on Monday at 4 PM, at Siesta Beach in Sarasota, FL, with one to follow at Lake Sakakawea next summer.

Memorial donations are preferred for Triangle Y Camp, Minot, ND; YMCA Camp Jackson, Pueblo, CO; Southeastern Guide Dogs, Palmetto, FL; or the donor's choice.

Arrangements are under the direction of Gendron Funeral & Cremation Services located at 135 N. Lime Ave., Sarasota, FL 34237. 941-365-1767 www.gendronfuneralhome.com

Tribute Wall



“ *Ronald "Skip" Krause*

October 09, 2023 at 02:01 AM



“ *Ronald "Skip" Krause*

January 28, 2023 at 12:09 PM



“ *What an unforgettable guy. He was so well-liked by the Triangle Y Camp staff, and I joined the crowd! Even though I was only around him for one summer and for a bit when he went back to school for addiction studies at MSU, he's the kind of guy that one doesn't forget. Simple yet could be so profound. Always kind and appreciative. Cherish the piece of him that will always be with you. God be with you.*

Melanie (Eslinger) Moore - October 30, 2018 at 01:28 PM



“ *Holding your family close during this sad time. Skip was a great guy! I will always remember him as a "lake guy" and a good cook :) Treasure your memories.....always in in your heart! ❤️🙏 Tammy Elgie*

Tammy Elgie - October 30, 2018 at 11:17 AM

DZ

“ Ann,

I was very saddened to hear of Skip's passing. My mom talked about how great he was and that both of you were very nice people. May he rest in peace and Ann, take care of yourself and you are in my prayers.

*David Zimmerman
Devils Lake, ND*

David Zimmerman - October 29, 2018 at 03:26 PM

MS

“ *So sorry to hear about Skip's passing. We grew up together at Augustana Lutheran church. Always sat together after Sunday school.*

mark syrstad - October 29, 2018 at 12:00 PM

FT

“ *Very sorry to hear about Skip! He was a good friend. My prayers are with all of you. I'll say a prayer for his wife Anne and family. Frank Tupa.*

Frank Tupa - October 28, 2018 at 10:36 AM

FB

“ *Ann and family, You all are in my thoughts and prayers in Skip's death. May he have eternal peace and joy with our loving God. He loved his work with kids and families and his legacy of love lives on in all of you. We were great friends in high school and college.*Fr. Tim Bushy



Fr. Tim Bushy - October 27, 2018 at 11:34 AM

KT

Ann, we are truly sorry to hear about Skip's death. Along with you, we always looked forward to seeing him. He was such a generous and kind person with a fun sense of humor. Take care and God bless. Kim Thompson and John MacMartin

Kim Thompson - October 29, 2018 at 11:26 PM

MJ

*Ann and family, our deepest sympathy in your loss.
Karen and Mert Johnsrud*

Merton Johnsrud - October 30, 2018 at 07:57 PM

GH

Dear Ann And Allison and family. we had the sons of norway here at my place to sing last night and their president mentioned Skip had died. I never had the privledge of meeting him but am so sorry to hear of his passing. Know it is hard on all of you and want to let you know I care so much. Am glad you are in my life. God Bless. Grace Hendrickson

grace Hendrickson - December 12, 2018 at 07:00 AM