

Ronald F. Yates

Ronald (Ronnie) Franklin Yates, Senior went to be with the lord on March 3, 2018. He was born on November 30, 1951 in Brady, Texas to Tommy Joe and Jane (Fowler) Yates. He lived in Cherokee for most of his youth until high school when he attended Texas Military Institute in San Antonio.

He attended The University of Texas at Austin where he met the love of his life, Glena Wood. While at UT he was a member of Delta Tau Delta Fraternity. He graduated with a Bachelor's Degree in Government in May 1973 and married Glena the next month on June 2 in Ardmore, Oklahoma in the middle of a tornado.

He attended Southern Methodist University Law School and graduated with his Doctorate of Juris Prudence in December 1975. He and Glena promptly relocated to Kingsland, Texas to start work with Kingsland Abstract & Title. He went on to own and operate Central Texas Land Titles, Inc. for the next 40+ years as well as practicing as a Board Certified Residential Real Estate Attorney with his firm Yates, Crow and Dudley. Ronnie served as President of the Texas Land Title Association in 1996-1997. His last big venture was Spicewood Vineyards and Ron Yates Wines where he was chief taste tester.

He was a loved grandson of Sammie Lee Fowler, W. Y. Fowler, Jr. and Lillian McCroury Yates. He is preceded in death by his parents and his baby sister Linda and baby brother.

He is survived by his devoted wife Glena Wood Yates, his son Ronald Franklin Yates Jr. and wife Jessica Jordan Yates, daughter Kara Yates Dudley and husband James H. Dudley, IV. Good Guy was dearly loved by his three granddaughters Tennyson Wren Yates, Louisa Yates Dudley, and Sammie Vivienne Yates. He will be fondly remembered by his sister-in-law Linda Tiller, nephews Jason Dixon and Brad Dixon and niece Amanda Dixon Laufer, cousin William Young Fowler, III, and numerous friends.

A private interment will occur Thursday, March 8. The family invites all those who wish to toast Ronnie in a celebration of life at Spicewood Vineyards (1419 Burnet Co Rd 409, Spicewood, 78669) on Thursday, March 8 at 5 p.m. In lieu of flowers the family asks that donations be made in Ronnie's name to Cherokee Children's Home at P.O. Box 295, Cherokee, TX 76832 or Spicewood Volunteer Fire Department – EMS at 9805 Hwy 71 E, P. O. Box 2 Spicewood, TX 78669-0002.