



## Ronald G. Morgan

February 8, 1948 - March 17, 2022

Ronald G. Morgan, 74, of East Peoria, passed away on Thursday, March 17, 2022, at OSF Richard L. Owens Hospice Home in Peoria. He was born in Davenport, IA on February 8, 1948, to Forrest and Emily (Kuntz) Morgan. He married Emma Low Staples in Pekin on December 12, 1987; she survives. Also surviving is his son, Brian (Katie McGrath) Morgan of Washington; his stepson, Randall (Tina) Staples of Havelock, NC; his sister, Patti Morgan of Peoria; two brothers, Dennis Morgan of Hanna City and Gary Morgan of Peoria; and three grandchildren, Jesse, Vaughn, and Cherokee.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his brother, Larry Morgan; his sister, Sharon Stevens; and his grandchild, Jade.

Right out of high school, Ronald took a job at Caterpillar, but left to serve in the Marines during the Vietnam War. After serving, he went back to Caterpillar and retired in 2009 as an electrical engineer after 35 years. He then started working at Manufacturing Maintenance Solutions in Tremont, just retiring recently due to his health.

He and Emma hosted several foreign exchange students and recently traveled the world to visit them all. He was a very active, life-long member of Bay View Baptist Church in Washington.

Ronald was an amateur ham radio operator and was elected Chairman of the Peoria Chapter of ASM International. He received many awards, especially related to Morse code.

The family will receive friends from 4-6 pm on Monday, March 21, 2022, at

Gary Deiters Funeral Home & Cremation Services in East Peoria, with a funeral service at 11:00 am on Tuesday, March 22, 2022, at the funeral home. Pastor Keith Thibo will officiate. Burial will follow at Roberts Cemetery in Morton.

Memorials may be made to Bay View Baptist Church or Illinois Central Christian School. Online condolences may be left at [www.GaryDeitersFH.com](http://www.GaryDeitersFH.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Roberts Cemetery

300 W. Jefferson  
Morton, IL

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 21. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

Gary Deiters Funeral Home & Cremation Services Inc. - East Peoria  
444 E. Washington Street  
East Peoria, IL 61611

## Funeral Service

MAR 22. 11:00 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ Gary Deiters Funeral Home & Cremation Services created a Tribute Video in memory of Ronald G. Morgan



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**Gary Deiters Funeral Home & Cremation Services** - March 21, 2022 at 04:55 PM

TE

*I'm sorry to hear this news. Ron was a nice guy. I met him through Radio Shack.*

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**Tim Ellison** - August 20, 2022 at 10:41 AM

DL

*Ron was one of the nicest guys you'd ever want to know. I remember that he was always interested in technical issues and challenges. In the end, he fought the hard fight. Dennis Level, WHS Class of '66*

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**Dennis Level** - October 23, 2022 at 02:53 PM



“ *Ronald G. Morgan*

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October 08, 2023 at 04:50 PM

DP

“ I was very saddened to learn of Ron's passing. He and I were members of the Peoria-Area Amateur Radio Club. He held perhaps all the possible offices in the club at some time or another. He was a great leader and motivator. Although he changed his callsign later, it was amusing when he would sign off the air with , "KB9NW, the golden voice of amateur radio". 73 Ron.  
David Pearsall KA9YSE

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David Pearsall - March 23, 2022 at 01:16 PM

MO

“ We, the officers and membership of Marine Corps League Detachment 081, would like to express our sincere condolences on the passing of our brother in arms. Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this most difficult time. Semper Fidelis!!



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Marine Corps League Detachment 081-Chapl - March 21, 2022 at 08:34 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Ronald G. Morgan.

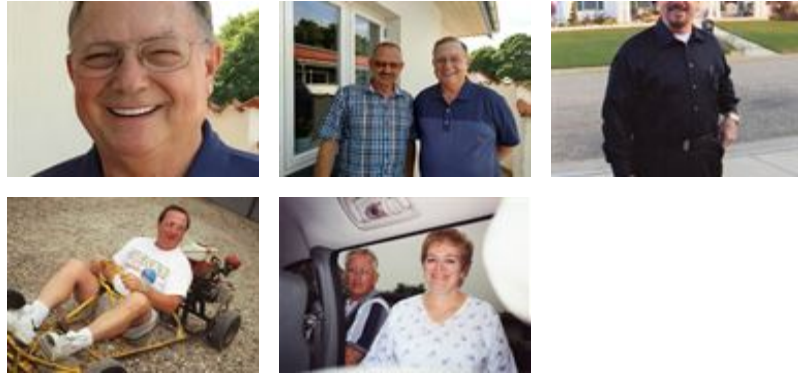


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March 21, 2022 at 02:16 PM



“ 17 files added to the album Life Tributes



**Gary Deiters Funeral Home & Cremation Services** - March 21, 2022 at 12:49 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ronald G. Morgan.*



March 20, 2022 at 10:11 PM



“ *Sorry to hear that Ron has left us, but glad to know where he's at. Ron was a hoot and enjoyed life. I imagine he is already enjoying his new life in Heaven. Will never forget him. Praying for the family. God Bless*

*Merle VanDyke*

**Merle VanDyke** - March 20, 2022 at 06:59 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Ronald G. Morgan.



March 20, 2022 at 04:02 PM



“ *Family Christensen Denmark purchased the Reflections of Glory Wreath* for the family of Ronald G. Morgan.



**Family Christensen Denmark** - March 20, 2022 at 03:26 PM



“ *Bert and Donna Collier purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet* for the family of Ronald G. Morgan.



**Bert and Donna Collier** - March 20, 2022 at 03:22 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket* was purchased for the family of Ronald G. Morgan.



March 20, 2022 at 02:48 PM

BM

“ Mine will not likely be a name you recognize but I knew Ronald well. My house was a block north of his so we walked to Von Stuben School together most days in the late 50s / early 60s. I moved away in 1961 but Ronald and I reconnected at Caterpillar years later. He was a good person and will surely be missed by all who knew him sorry for your loss.  
*Bob Moletti*

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**Bob Moletti** - March 20, 2022 at 02:19 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Ronald G. Morgan.



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March 20, 2022 at 01:32 PM

JG

“ John And Janie Garris lit a candle in memory of Ronald G. Morgan



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**John and Janie Garris** - March 20, 2022 at 12:31 PM

JG

“ Emma, sending prayers for strength and comfort.

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**John & Janie Garris** - March 20, 2022 at 12:30 PM

JR

“ Just learned Ron went to be with the Lord, our Condolences to Ron’s family from the Raileys in Arkansas. He was a good friend; I remember when we went on vacation together, what a trip that was. He loved Ham Radios and ice cream; I couldn't keep up with him. He was always ready to help if he could. He will be missed.

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**John Railey** - March 20, 2022 at 11:07 AM

DA

“ Ron is a great man. He never gives up on his family and we will never forget what he has done for us. We will miss you a lot and hope you feel less pain and have a better place up there to watch us with a big smile as always.

*Love from The Nederlands,*

*Khoa & Nhi*



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**Dang-Khoa** - March 20, 2022 at 10:34 AM

EM

*Thank you! He is walking in heaven now. He's sharing smiles and love with everyone. With Love  
Emma*

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**Emma Morgan** - May 06, 2022 at 06:47 PM

BL

“ *Very sorry for your loss. I met Ron while interning in 2004 while at Caterpillar and have stayed in touch over the years! A truly great guy with a heart of gold! I will miss his him and his stories. My condolences*

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**Bill Lair** - March 20, 2022 at 10:18 AM

JG

“ *73 my dear friend, I will never forget our great times together while serving on the Board or just simply rag chewing at Panerai or over the repeater*

*Prayers to the family*

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**John Gardner** - March 20, 2022 at 09:39 AM

DL

“ *Condolences to Ron's family from a fellow Woodruff Warrior. Ron was a friend to many in high school, and it's obvious that he was a friend to many in adulthood as well. I remember his positive and always friendly personality, and I enjoyed reading his posts about his travels, adventures and the friends he made throughout the world.*

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**Dennis Level** - March 20, 2022 at 01:54 AM

MB

“ *Ron has been a great friend since I first met him. I will always remember sitting in his shack and making DX contacts. Ron was also a great friend that would help out in any way he could. Until we meet again, Rest In Peace Ron.*

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**matthew behnke** - March 19, 2022 at 07:11 PM

BD

“ Emma,  
Bill and I were very sorry to read about Ron's passing. We didn't realize he'd been sick. Our deepest condolences go out to you and your family. Ron was always such a nice person. Haven't seen you both in years but certainly remember you and Ron being good neighbors when you lived across the street from us. Prayers!!

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**Bill and Jan Dietrich** - March 19, 2022 at 05:39 PM



“ I will always remember Ron as that goofy character that made everyone laugh. I know our folks really got a kick out of him and always were eagerly looking forward to his visits.

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**Christine Shirey** - March 19, 2022 at 05:33 PM

JM

“ Emma and Family,  
So very sorry to hear of Ron's passing!  
Jim & Priscilla Mangan

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**Jim & Priscilla Mangan** - March 19, 2022 at 04:17 PM