



## Ronald Cowan

October 19, 1956 - November 10, 2012

Ronald Lee Cowan, Jr. 56, of Myrtle Beach died Saturday, November 10, 2012 at Waccamaw Community Hospital.

Born in Bluefield, WV he was the son of the late Ronald and Joann Cowan. Mr. Cowan worked as a media specialist in the Horry County Schools. Mr. Cowan is preceded in death by his son, Bobby Cowan.

Surviving in addition to his mother of VA are his wife, Kathy Cowan; son, Jeremy Cowan of Myrtle Beach; grandson, Maddoxx Cowan of Myrtle Beach; and sisters, Cathy Conner of VA and Debbie Beggs of WV.

The family will receive friends Monday, November 12, 2012 from 6-8 PM at Goldfinch Funeral Home, Beach Chapel.

A funeral service will be held Tuesday, November 13, 2012 at 1:00 PM at Goldfinch Funeral Home, Beach Chapel. Burial will follow at Hillcrest Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the American Heart Association, 7272 Greenville Ave. Dallas, TX 75231.

Sign an online guestbook at [www.goldfinchfuneralhome.com](http://www.goldfinchfuneralhome.com).

Goldfinch Funeral Home, Beach Chapel is in charge of the arrangements.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV **12.** 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Celebration Center  
11528 Hwy 17 Bypass  
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## Service

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# Tribute Wall

WB

“ *Cathy I was very sadden to hear of your loss. Ron was a great man. Quite and soft spoke. unique in many way. To know him was to love him. As you know I worked with him at ACCC. I was his friend and he was mine. He will be missed very much. May God give you peace in your loss. Wanda Lou Brooks*

Wanda Lou Brooks - November 14, 2012 at 05:35 PM

JC

“ *Kathy,  
My sincere condolences to you and your family at this sad time.  
Jenna Gianato Calovini*

Jenna Gianato Calovini - November 14, 2012 at 04:16 PM

DR

“ *Kathy,  
I wanted to extend sincere sympathy from me  
and from the volunteers that help in your  
department as they have you in their thoughts  
and prayers, also.  
Deborah Rochelle*



Deborah Rochelle - November 14, 2012 at 03:33 PM

DB

“ *Kathy , Wanted you to know that you have my deepest sympathy.  
Ronnie was a great guy. David and I talked a little while ago about  
how hard that left handed curve ball was to hit. I'm so sorry. Tee*

David Allen Belcher - November 13, 2012 at 09:50 PM

SC

“ KATHY, My heart goes out to you and your family. I am sorry I was unable to attend the visitation and give you a hug personally. My thoughts and prayers are with you. Take care, Sally Cunningham-Kee

Sally Cunningham-Kee - November 13, 2012 at 06:06 PM

RP

“ Robert Lee Pauley lit a candle in memory of Ronald Cowan



Robert Lee Pauley - November 13, 2012 at 01:21 PM



“ Sacred Duty Spray was purchased for the family of Ronald Cowan.



November 13, 2012 at 09:53 AM

AM

“ I had the pleasure of working with Ron at CFHS. He was a great man and an awesome media specialist. I enjoyed getting to know him and our conversations. I often looked forward to the emails that he would send with pictures of his grandson. He was such the proud grandfather!

Allison (Wellman) McKee

Allison (Wellman) McKee - November 13, 2012 at 06:31 AM

AB

“ *Anthony Michael Blevins lit a candle in memory of Ronald Cowan*



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**Anthony Michael blevins** - November 13, 2012 at 12:20 AM

SB

“ *To the Cowan Family:*

*May the "peace of God that excels all thought", comfort and strengthen you during this difficult time in your lives. (Philippians 4:7)*

*My condolences,  
SJB.*

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**S.J. BROWN** - November 12, 2012 at 08:06 PM

DH

“ *The Cowan Family,*

*Our thoughts and prayers are with you.*

*Friend and TKE Brother,  
Dennis "Dink" Hardy and Family*

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**Dennis Hardy** - November 12, 2012 at 07:56 PM

DB

“ Dear Kathy, Dad and I were totally stunned when we found out about Ronnie. We are so sorry for your loss. I will never forget what an athlete he was and that he was one of the really good guys. If I can ever do anything to help you, please feel free to get in touch.  
David and Bennie Belcher

David Allen Belcher - November 12, 2012 at 07:43 PM

VM

“ Joann, Kathy and Jeremy,Debbie, Kathy...So sorry to hear about Ronald Lee... Philip and I would have liked to be there to lend our support but know that we are praying for you all. May God give you peace....Love Philip and Vicki Mason

Vicki L. Mason. - November 12, 2012 at 07:16 PM

LC

“ Joann & Family,  
Tommy and I were very saddened to hear of Ronald Lee's passing. You are all in our thoughts and prayers.  
Jean & Tommy

L. Jean Cowan - November 12, 2012 at 05:00 PM

JW

“ Joann & family,  
Jack & I are very sorry for your loss, our thoughts & prayers are with you.



Jack & Martha Willis - November 12, 2012 at 01:32 PM

CB

“ *Dear Kathy,*

*We are so sorry for your loss. You are in our prayers at this somber time. Please know we are here for you and your family.*

*Chris and Joy Brann*

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**Chris Brann** - November 12, 2012 at 12:58 PM

DS

“ *Dear Cowan Family,*

*I was saddened to learn of Ron's passing. I knew Ron from our Little League days and as students at Elkhorn Jr High. I enjoyed several years playing softball with Ron in Bluefield.*

*My prayers go out to Ron's family and his many friends.*

*Duane Snow*

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**Duane Snow** - November 12, 2012 at 11:33 AM

LB

*Dear Kathy,*

*I am so sorry and sad to hear about Ron's passing. David enjoyed playing Baseball with Ron in their younger days. I always enjoyed coming to your house and hearing his laugh. Our prayers are with you.*

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**Lynette Ann Blevins** - November 12, 2012 at 04:17 PM

PS

“ Dear Kathy

*I am so sorry to hear of your loss. I never met your husband but after reading the many tributes he sounds like a very special man; he must have been very special for you to have given him your heart.*

*Please let me know if I can do anything for you or help in any way. I'm your friend and I want to help; please know that I'm keeping you close in my heart and prayers.*

*Peggy Singer*

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**Peggy Singer** - November 12, 2012 at 10:53 AM

TZ

“ Dear Cowan Family,

*My deepest sympathy for your loss. I was shocked and saddened to hear of Ron's passing. I was media specialist at Socastee High School for 26 years and so had the good fortune to know Ron for many, many years. My son Michael Sigmon and Bobby were classmates and good friends. I was also lucky enough to know Jeremy during his time at SHS. In recent years, I have visited with Ron in my capacity as a rep for Gumdrop Books. Whenever my husband, Pete and I had an appointment with Ron, we new we would get to see the newest pictures of his grandson. He was such a proud and loving grandpa.*

*I consider myself so blessed to have known Ron over the years. I will always remember his kindness, generosity and sense of humor.*  
*Teresa (Fellner) Zuraw*

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**Teresa Smith Zuraw** - November 12, 2012 at 09:42 AM

HP

“ Kathy, my heart is breaking for your entire family. Ron was a beautiful person, all the way to his soul. Sending you love and wishing you peace. David and Haven Mathein

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**Haven L Presley** - November 12, 2012 at 09:26 AM

SF

“ Kathy,  
We, your co-workers from Brunswick Novant Community Hospital Critical Care and Telemetry departments ,extend our deepest sympathy for your loss. We want you to know you and your family are in our prayers and thoughts. We are and will always be here for you with anything you may need. Please do not hesitate to let us know. You are a member of our family and we take care of family. Our love to you and may God's beautiful Angels wrap their wings around you and hold you close and give you peace.  
Sarah Farmer and the Staff of Critical care and Telemetry.

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**Sarah Farmer** - November 12, 2012 at 09:24 AM

DT

“ Kathy, I read of Ron's passing in BDT today. So sorry to hear. You and I worked at BRMC many years ago. Lots of hard work on PEDS and we made lots of good friends. We shared lots of stories of Ola and stories of our own families. You are in my thoughts and prayers. So sorry for your loss. I would love to see you again. Drema Larry Tolley.

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**Drema Larry Tolley** - November 12, 2012 at 09:12 AM

SP

“ Dear Kathy, just a note to let you know that you are in our prayers. We were very sorry to hear of Ronald's death. Jerome and I want you to know that we send our heartfelt sympathy to you and your family. Class of 1974 Northfork High School, Jerome and Sharon (Hairston) Powell, Princeton, WV.

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**Sharon Hairston Powell** - November 12, 2012 at 09:05 AM

SM

“ Kathy,  
We are so sorry to hear this news. Havent seen you or Ronald in years, but your are in our prayers and hearts during this time. God bless you at this difficult time. Charles and Sharon (Treolo) Miller.

Sharon Miller - November 12, 2012 at 08:47 AM

BL

“ Dear Cowan Family,  
Ron was such a kind and patient person. While working at Carolina Forest Elementary, I had many questions about our school TV distribution system. Ron was always there to help and guide me along. I feel very fortunate having known Ron.

Brenda Little - November 12, 2012 at 08:16 AM

BL

“ Brenda Little lit a candle in memory of Ronald Cowan



Brenda Little - November 12, 2012 at 07:51 AM

BG

“ Ron.....Your memory will never fade. Dave Gaither

B. David Gaither - November 12, 2012 at 07:25 AM



Ron will never be gone, he will always be alive in the friends he made so easily .He and I shared many good times together golfing, laughing ,and just being buddies at Whispering Pines Golf Course. Mrs Cowan and family God Bless. David Head

David Head - November 12, 2012 at 07:48 AM

KH

“ I had the honor of working with Ron at Carolina Forest HS and ATA. He was a great man with a big heart. He was taken from us too soon. My condolences to his family.

Katherine Hein - November 12, 2012 at 07:16 AM



“ To know Ron was to love him! I was his library assistant. We have been working together for four months; but it feels like we have known and worked together for fourteen years. He was my my supervisor, my comrade, my team mate, my confidant, MY FRIEND!!! He welcomed me to the Academy of Technology and Academics with open arms and a warm heart. Mr. Cowan and I always looked out for each other!!! I am going to miss him dearly....It's going to be hard to fly with one wing...RIP...Gone but never forgotten!! To Mrs. Cowan and family my thoughts and prayers are with you.May God comfort US during this difficult time.



Carissa Campbell - November 11, 2012 at 09:00 PM

SB

“ Our lives were truly made better by having known and worked with Ron. I remember that he was always patient and quick to help every time I had question about TekNet when we first got it. My heartfelt sympathy ....from a fellow West Virginia native.

Sabra Bell - November 11, 2012 at 07:56 PM

AP

“ Ron and I worked together at NMBHS and then again later, during the inaugural year of CFHS. He was always so helpful to me and my students. I'm sorry to hear of his passing and will keep the family in my thoughts and prayers. Angela Peery

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**Angela Peery** - November 11, 2012 at 07:24 PM

NH

“ Ron was a mentor to me during my first years of teaching at NMBHS and then again as a media specialist for Horry County Schools. My love and prayers go out to his family and to the ATA family.

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**Noreen Hershelman** - November 11, 2012 at 05:59 PM

BH

“ I taught English dual enrollment classes at ATA for about 4 years. Ron was always so kind and helpful to me. He got my passwords for me, ran interference with technology, allowed us to use the computer lab in the library, and so much more. He was a really nice guy, and the students absolutely adored him. I am very saddened by the news of his passing. I know his ATA family will miss him very much! He is leaving a void that will be difficult to fill.

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**Becky Hubbard** - November 11, 2012 at 05:14 PM

BS

“ Ron was a gentle giant of a man. Soft spoken, kind, caring, unassuming and hard working. He will be missed in Horry County Schools.

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**Barbara Schlidt** - November 11, 2012 at 04:43 PM

DD

*So sorry to hear of Ron's passing, I knew him when we all lived in Ashland, my prayers go out to all the family. Diane Wyatt Darago.*

**Diane Wyatt Darago** - November 12, 2012 at 06:41 AM

DD

“ *Dorothy J Dunn lit a candle in memory of Ronald Cowan*



**Dorothy J Dunn** - November 11, 2012 at 04:17 PM

DD

*I had the pleasure of working in the ATA Media Center with Ron during the 2009 school term, the year that I retired. I really enjoyed working with such a wonderful super guy, just one big teddy bear! Lovely friend that will be missed by all!*

**Dorothy J Dunn** - November 11, 2012 at 05:13 PM

JE

*I remember what a good baseball player Ronnie was in High School. He played with my brother, Ian, and with my cousin, Randy. Everyone is sad to hear of his passing.*

**Jeanne(Bailey)Semonco** - November 12, 2012 at 06:33 AM



*It sadden me to hear of Ron's passing. He was a wonderful co-worker and friend. I have had the pleasure of working with him at Horry County Schools it seems like the past 28 years. He was a devoted husband, father and grandfather. Ron was always sharing family stories of his lovely wife, son and grandson. Oh! how he loved his grandson. He was a proud grandfather. He will truly be missed by the students, staff at ATA and Horry County Schools.*

**Connie Rogers** - November 14, 2012 at 01:05 PM