



Ronald A. Caplan

November 10, 1942 - March 22, 2023

Ronald “Ron” Caplan, age 80 from Hudson, N.Y., passed away suddenly on Wednesday, March 22, 2023.

Ron was born the oldest of two children (Rita) on November 10, 1942 to the late Sol and Lillian Caplan from New Haven, Connecticut.

After graduating Hillhouse High School, he went on to Bryant College where he earned a degree in business.

He started his first job with the Mennen Company as a salesman up and down the east coast.

Ron eventually earned his real estate license and relocated to New York, where he practiced real estate for over 50 years.

Ron met Linda (Schwartz) Caplan in high school. They married in 1963 and went on to have 3 children, Donna Lebrecht, Lori Caplan, and Lacey (Cletis) Hogue.

Much later in life, Ron helped to raise Ali (Jay) Doan and Derek (Kristen) Barbanti, whom he loved like his own.

Ron’s greatest joys in life were his children, as well as his grandchildren, Rachel Lebrecht, Kai and Margo Doan, his great grandson Oakley LaBelle and his best four-legged friend Harper, whom he was known for driving around town with.

Aside from his family, Ron’s passions were animals, real estate, helping others, spending time with his friends, shopping on Poshmark, and enjoying the Kingston Chinese Buffet with Sid Richter.

Ron never met a stranger.

He had a handshake, smile, and a kind word for anyone that crossed his path. His infectious laugh, large personality and sense of humor drew people to him, from all walks of life.

Ron will be remembered for his zest for life, his love and dedication to his children, grandchildren, great grandchild, and dog Harper.

He volunteered his time to organizations such as Out of The Pits, Hospice, United Way, and The Red Cross.

Ron's warmth, kindness and generosity will be deeply missed by his family and throughout the community.

In lieu of flowers please consider making a memorial donation to Out of the Pits Inc. (donations@outofthepits.org) or The Community Hospice Foundation (givetocommunityhospice.org). Ron greatly enjoyed volunteering at Camp Erin, a bereavement camp for youth who are grieving the death of a significant person in their lives.

Services will be held on Sunday, March 26, 2023 from 9-10:30 a.m. at Bates & Anderson Funeral Home, 110 Green Street Hudson, N.Y., 12534 followed by a burial at Cedar Park Cemetery, 20 Columbia Turnpike, Hudson, NY.

Previous Events

Visitation Hours

MAR **26**. 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM (ET)

Bates & Anderson - Redmond & Keeler
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Hudson, NY 12534
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Tribute Wall

AS

“ I don't know where to begin. My mother, Lynn Strunk, started out in Real Estate in an office on Warren Street (Irving Price). Back in the day, she worked with Ron and eventually worked under his mentorship. Later on, when she purchased the C21 franchise and became a broker, Ron was with her as an associate broker. I feel like Ron was an "Uncle" to the whole family. He was always so kind and interested in what my sister and I were up to. (He would still ask about my family and my sister, even as adults when he would call me for something real estate related.) A running joke between him and my mother involved the phrase "star salesperson." When I got my license Ron always would ask if it was the "star salesperson," on the phone when he called for something. Although he knew me since my teen years, he always made me feel respected as an agent even when I first started and didn't know what I was doing. Through the years, my mother spoke highly of his entire family. I didn't get to know everyone personally, but feel a connection because of how Ron talked about family. I am so sorry for the loss Mindy and Ron's whole family must be feeling. I am sure he is with you all and will continue to be. I am so happy the Realtors will be planning a hospice walk in Ron's honor. I miss not getting his annual call to be a sponsor in his walk. He never did any of his causes for notoriety as an agent or otherwise, purely for the good of the cause.

Aimee Strunk-Reinoehl - March 27, 2023 at 11:00 AM

EK

“ To Ron's family, We are very sorry for your loss. We knew Ron for many years and worked with him on several real estate deals. We also enjoyed many cups of coffee and conversations with him! He was a very nice person and will be missed. Please accept our condolences. Elyse Kunz and Seth Kunz

Elyse Kunz - March 25, 2023 at 03:32 PM

LL

“ So sorry to hear of Ron's passing. The family is in my thoughts and prayers. Lindsay LeBrecht/Copake Lake Realty Corp.

LINDSAY LEBRECHT - March 25, 2023 at 01:45 PM

MK

“ Ron was one of the kindest people I have ever met, ever. I will miss his words, his humor and his humility. R.I. P. Ron.....

Mary King - March 25, 2023 at 12:39 PM



“ Ron was the friendliest realtor. He will truly be missed.

Laura Miller - March 25, 2023 at 12:09 PM



“ Laura Miller lit a candle in memory of Ronald Caplan



Laura Miller - March 25, 2023 at 12:07 PM

CA

“ Carole lit a candle in memory of Ronald Caplan



Carole - March 24, 2023 at 11:52 PM

MF

“ *Michael Ferrari lit a candle in memory of Ronald Caplan*



Michael Ferrari - March 24, 2023 at 09:12 PM

PS

“ *Ron has been a dear friend and collaborator in community service for decades. There would not be a Hospice in Columbia County without him. He was larger than life, and used that energy to befriend and help others. He will be deeply missed, and forever cherished. Phil Di Sorbo former Executive Director of Community Hospice.*

Philip Di Sorbo - March 24, 2023 at 07:38 PM

LC

“ *I remember Ron loved ice cream. I was in Providence RI and called Tony Concra, at the real estate firm where all three of us worked. He told me it was Ron's birthday, I said what should I get and he said ice cream. I drove all the way from Providence with Ron's melted favorite ice cream. It didn't matter, he drank it.*

Lisbeth A Calandrino - March 24, 2023 at 07:20 PM

PR

“ *Peggy Rose lit a candle in memory of Ronald Caplan*



Peggy Rose - March 24, 2023 at 05:23 PM

DG

“ *David Gardner lit a candle in memory of
Ronald Caplan*



David Gardner - March 24, 2023 at 01:25 PM