



Ronald Michael Gartman

June 20, 1941 - October 24, 2025

Ronald Michael Gartman, 84 of Ocala, Florida Passed away on October 24 2025 in Ocala, Florida.

Ron was born in Cleveland, Ohio to Wilbert and Juanita Gartman on June 20, 1941. He went to Rhodes High School and graduated in 1959. He went on to complete Law Officer training and served on the Seven Hills Police Department for 34 years, ending his career a Detective Sergeant. He enjoyed volunteering for many civic organizations and as a bailiff for the Marion County Florida Courts. Gardening was his passion along with baking and cooking. He worked out diligently and won the gold medal in the Police Olympics for bench pressing. He was a lifelong member of the Elks and founding member of Ohio Patrolmen's Benevolent Assoc.

Ron is survived by his wife of 47 years Marion of Ocala, Florida. Children Michael, Edward Vajda (Lynn), Ellen Vajda and Patricia Lane (Michael). Grandsons Glenn Vajda and Christopher Lane. Sister Beverly Mularchik (Dave dec.) and brother Richard (Judy), nieces and nephews.

He is predeceased by parents Wilbert and Juanita and brother Donald (Loretta).

Funeral service will be held at Roberts of Ocala West Chapel, 6241 SW State

Rd. 200 Ocala, Florida on November 22, 2025 at 1:00 PM with Pastor Pam Thomas and Pastor David Owens of Meadowbrook Church officiating. Burial will be held in the spring of 2026 in Cleveland Ohio after a Celebration of Life service.

Memorial Donations may be made to; The USO, PO BOX 96860, Washington, DC 20077 and to the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund, PO BOX 97072, Washington, DC 20077. The family wishes to extend their gratitude to the E.W. Cates Hospice House.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

NOV **22**. 1:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Roberts of Ocala Funerals and Cremations created a Tribute Video in memory of Ronald Michael Gartman*



Roberts of Ocala Funerals and Cremations - November 21, 2025 at 02:47 PM

JC

My condolences to Marion and family. Just saw this obituary. Prayers for your family and thoughts of yet another Seven Hills Officer on last call. My husband John had only the best to say about Ron, and when John passed, I remembered Ron's kind words. Regards, Jeannette Chipka

Jeannette Chipka - January 02 at 01:22 AM

DW

“ *I worked with Ron on the Seven Hills Police Department and he was always one of my favorite, he was very kind and fare and thoughtful. David Woods*

David Woods - March 15 at 04:28 PM

MS

“ My deepest sympathy to Marion and all those mourning the loss of such a dear man.

I have the fondest memories of Ron. He maintained such a beautiful yard filled with a variety of colorful flowers and the greatest caladiums.

He and Marion have always been so kind to me and I will hold his memory in my heart.

Michelle Stone - November 20, 2025 at 08:10 PM

MG

Michelle, he was so pleased when you brought him a birthday cake made of cupcakes. You were special to him.

Marion Gartman - November 21, 2025 at 10:27 AM

TG

“ *The Blue Ocean Investment Group purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Ronald Michael Gartman.*



The Blue Ocean Investment Group - November 19, 2025 at 10:04 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Ronald Michael Gartman.*



November 18, 2025 at 07:56 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Ronald Michael Gartman.*



November 18, 2025 at 11:17 AM



“ *Mr. Gary F Juresko planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ronald Michael Gartman.*

Mr. Gary F Juresko - November 17, 2025 at 02:17 PM



“ *Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of Ronald Michael Gartman.*



November 17, 2025 at 02:17 PM



“ *We will miss seeing Ron every Tuesday night and the dry sense of humor he possessed. I, Marlene, will miss seeing him shopping in the grocery stores, especially Aldi's where he was always on the look out for the German Stollen dessert bread that he and I both enjoyed. Our prayers for comfort and peace to Marion and the family. Marlene & Paul Cigrand*

Marlene w Cigrand - November 11, 2025 at 02:05 PM

PS

“ Jessica and I were blessed to have known Ronald for many, many years. He was a kind man, a trusted police officer, and a truly loving husband and father. He was a a huge softie behind that badge of courage! He hugged and cried and seemingly always loved saying, 'I love you'! May All God's Blessings continue for Marian and the entire Gartman Family. Peter Sackett

Peter Sackett - November 05, 2025 at 07:20 AM

MG

Thank you Peter, so many memories ❤️

Marion Gartman - November 05, 2025 at 10:22 AM