



Ronald Riebe

December 22, 1946 - July 8, 2025

Ronald Riebe, age 78, of Bourbonnais passed away Tuesday, July 8, 2025 at Miller Health Care Center in Kankakee. He was born December 22, 1946 in Pontiac, IL, the son of John Henry & Mildred Ruth (Van Alstyne) Riebe. Ronald was an accountant for Swift & Company and Bunge. He served as treasurer for the Village of Bourbonnais for over 35 years. Ronald was a member of the loyal order of the Moose. He was an avid golfer. He loved playing and watching golf for over 50 years. He was a disappointed Chicago Bears fan. Ron is beloved, well known, and respected by the Bourbonnais community. In addition to his many contributions, he'll be most remembered for his simple yet adequate responses when asked, "How are you doing Ron?" Okay or fine were always the one-word answers.

Ronald was of the Catholic faith.

Surviving are one sister, Mary Lynn Riebe of Denver, CO and a nephew, John Alan Folkers of El Paso, IL. Ronald is preceded in death by his parents and one sister, Janet Riebe Folkers.

Cremation rites have been accorded. Inurnment will be held at a later date at St. John Catholic Cemetery in Cullom, IL.

Memorials may be made to the family wishes.

Please sign his guestbook at www.clancygernon.com.

Cemetery Details

St. John's Catholic Cemetery

Locust Street
Cullom, IL 60929

Tribute Wall

MW

“ My condolences to the family. I spent quite a bit of time with Ron over my 11 years as Finance Director. A fine man and a good friend.

Michael A Wolf - August 04, 2025 at 12:08 AM

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“ I grew up with Ron Riebe went all thru Cullom grade school and High School with him like wise grew up on a family farm South of Cullom in which I still own. I have been retired 26 years living along the Gulf Coast of Alabama.
Ron worked at Bunge and I put in 30 years with Armour Pharmaceutical Company now is CSL BERHING. We both were involved in small town politics his much larger than mine. I did 8 years on the Chebanse Village board and was appointed treasurer for another 7 years. He was always a very quiet and spoke very softly but very smart. RIP RON. Our class of 1964 was 20 and down to 13. Dennis W. Clark July 13. 2025

Dennis Clark - July 13, 2025 at 08:35 PM

BS

“ Brian Simeur lit a candle in memory of Ronald Riebe



Brian Simeur - July 12, 2025 at 08:31 AM

PS

“ Ron was on the Bourbonnais Village Board for my entire tenure. He was very dedicated as the Board Treasurer. Although he was a quiet man, he was extremely knowledgeable in Village finances and pension funds. He will be missed.

Paul & Mary Schore

Paul Schore - July 10, 2025 at 02:03 PM

LD

“ First I want to extend my sympathy to Mary and to John. I have many great memories of growing up with Ron. I was one year ahead of him in school and spent many summers working on the farm lands and remember days when Aunt Ruth would bring us lunch out in the fields where we were working. Ron and I spend many hours in the basement of my parents home playing ping pong and spent a lot of time together on weekends.

I can remember the night where we played a football game at Gridley and Ron suffered a broken leg and we stopped at the hospitable on the way home but only the coach went in to see him while all the players had to remained on the bus. I can also remember a night where Ron and I were on our way home from Kankakee in Ron's car and a drunk on the side of the road pulled out just as we were passing by and totaled Ron's car but neither of us were injured.

There were countless family celebration's in Grandma Riebe's farm house and well as at Uncle Chuck and Aunt Evelyn's farm house. These are a few of the many memories that come to mind in the first hour after hearing of Ron's death and I am sure many more will come to mind in the coming days. I have many wonderful memories of growing up in a small town in Illinois and Ron and all family members were a key part in bringing joy to all those happy memories. We were and are blessed indeed; thanks be to God!
Larry Van Doren

Larry Van Doren - July 10, 2025 at 12:31 PM