



Lt. Col (r) Ronald A. Francoeur

April 4, 1935 - June 30, 2025

Hampton - Lt. Col (r) Ronald A. Francoeur of Hampton, passed away June 30, 2025 at Cornerstone at Hampton with his wife and daughter standing by.

Ron was born on April 4, 1935 to his parents Alfred and Gladys Dixon Francoeur in Lowell, Massachusetts. Ron grew up in Lowell and attended Lowell schools, graduating from Lowell High School class of 1953. He went on to attend Lowell Technological Institute (LTI) where he majored in textile and mechanical engineering. He was also in the Air Force cadet program. He was a member of Omicron Pi fraternity. Upon graduation he was sworn in as a 2nd lieutenant in the Air Force and embarked on the next phase of his life story.

Ron's distinguished military career took him to numerous bases across the country and abroad, where he demonstrated unwavering commitment and integrity in every assignment. He was recognized for his leadership and technical acumen, earning the respect of colleagues and commanding officers alike. Throughout his years of service, Ron cultivated lifelong friendships and cherished the camaraderie shared among his fellow airmen.

He and Sheila were married in 1957 and traveled to new assignments around the country and to Central America. They started their family with the birth of Donna and then Karen in Florida. It was the beginning of a new life for the young family and for the country as it was also the beginning of the new space

age. As the young family grew they moved to several parts of the country and also a tour in the Republic of Panama.

Times were changing and Ron was assigned to Vietnam. The family relocated stateside and waited for Ron to return from the war zone. They then relocated to California and finally to New York.

Upon retiring from active duty, he continued to apply his engineering expertise in the private sector, contributing to several innovative projects and mentoring the next generation of engineers.

Ron replaced his love of flying with his love of sailing. And could often be seen off the east coast sailing.

He also worked for the State of New Hampshire in the office of Emergency Management.

As Ron liked to say he had a wonderful life with adventures, friends and family.

He is survived by his wife, Sheila, his daughter Donna and son in law Joe Barney, his daughter Karen of Orono, Maine, his grandson, Ryan Cota of Bangor Maine, his sister, Shirley Delaney of North Hampton, NH, his sister Barbara Purkey of Pasadena Maryland, and his nieces and nephews.

Visiting hours will be held from 5-7 pm on Monday, July 7, 2025 at the Remick & Gendron Funeral Home-Crematory, 811 Lafayette Road, Hampton, NH with an opportunity for friends and family to share their favorite Ron stories and remembrances. Burial will be at 11 am on Tuesday, July 8, 2025 at the New Hampshire State Veterans Cemetery, 110 Daniel Webster Hwy, Boscawen, NH. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the American Diabetes

Foundation by clicking here (<https://diabetes.org/?form=Donate>) or an organization of your choosing.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 7. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Remick & Gendron Funeral Home - Crematory
811 Lafayette Road ·
Hampton, NH 03842
(603) 926-6500
info@remickgendron.com
<https://www.RemickGendron.com/>

Graveside Service

JUL 8. 11:00 AM (ET)

New Hampshire State Veterans Cemetery
110 Daniel Webster Highway
Boscawen, NH 03303

Tribute Wall



“ 221 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Remick & Gendron Funeral Home - July 07, 2025 at 01:16 PM

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“ Nancy T. purchased the *America the Beautiful* for the family of Lt. Col (r) Ronald A. Francoeur.



Nancy T. - July 07, 2025 at 12:27 AM

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“ Linda & Steve purchased the *Florist Choice Bouquet* for the family of Lt. Col (r) Ronald A. Francoeur.



Linda & Steve - July 04, 2025 at 11:53 AM

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“ Linda & Steve planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Lt. Col (r) Ronald A. Francoeur.

Linda & Steve - July 04, 2025 at 11:53 AM