



Ronald Paul Porterfield

October 21, 1949 - March 3, 2023

Ronald Paul Porterfield, passed away at the age of 73 on March 3, 2023, after complications from a brain bleed. Ron was born Oct. 21, 1949, to Gene and Joyce Porterfield of Vancouver, WA. He graduated from Fort Vancouver High School and Western Washington State College, was a left-handed first baseman, and married his high school sweetheart, Kristine, in 1972. Ron was a dedicated family man with an incredibly generous spirit towards everyone he encountered.

A lifelong educator, Ron began his teaching career in Tigard and shortly after joined Vancouver Public Schools (VPS). He had a long career as a teacher, principal, and district administrator. With over thirty years in VPS, Ron taught at Felida Elementary School, was a principal at both Harney Elementary and Sarah J. Anderson Elementary, and was a district-level administrator. Upon his retirement from VPS, he then joined Beaverton School District as a building principal at Nancy Ryles Elementary and then as a district Associate Superintendent. Ron impacted the lives of countless students, families, teachers, and educators through his constant smile, humor, unwavering support, and dedication of service.

Ron leaves behind his loving wife of 50 years, Kristine Porterfield. He is also survived by his children, Andrew Porterfield, Sally and Kurt Kroon; two grandchildren, Porter (12) and Palmer (9) Kroon, and his sister, Sherri MacLardy and her husband Doug MacLardy, all of Vancouver; and brother-in-law, Roger Henderson of Missoula, MT. He is preceded in death by his

parents and an infant son, Joshua. Being a Papa to his grandboys was the highlight of Ron's later stage of life and he and Kris were dedicated attendees at all of their sporting events and school activities. Ron loved beach trips with his RV, driving his Mini-Cooper convertible, puttering around his backyard pool, and walks with Kris and his goldendoodle dogs.

A celebration of life will take place at Columbia Presbyterian Church on Saturday, March 25th at 2:00 p.m. All are welcome to attend. In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to the Spina Bifida Association at www.spinabifidaassociation.org.

Tribute Wall

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“ Ron was one terrific educator, friend and family man! Everything he did, he did with compassion, love and quality! I had the honor of working with Ron and Chris in the Vancouver School District for many years; and the joy of teaching their sweet, bright, daughter Sally. Their son, Andy went to school at Lakeshore with our daughter Monica, and like his dad had a ready smile to share! We send our prayers to all in this dedicated family; as they navigate their loss of a GREAT man! Linda and Mike Foglia

Linda Foglia - March 08, 2023 at 12:00 AM

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“ We are deeply sorry for your loss ~ Evergreen Memorial Gardens Cemetery, Funeral Chapel and Crematory

A Memorial Tree was planted for Ron - March 07, 2023 at 12:00 AM