

## George Ronald Royer

June 18, 1936 - October 17, 2021

George Ronald Royer, 85, passed on October 17, 2021 peacefully surrounded by his loved ones. George was born on June 18, 1936 in Williamsport, Pennsylvania to Lucille and George Royer. He is survived by his daughter Heather Rudolph and son Eric Royer.

He graduated from William and Mary with a Bachelors degree in Physics 1958, had a track scholarship and was a member of Phi Kappa Tau. He went on to get a Masters in Management Engineering from Rensselaer in 1959. After receiving his Masters, he joined the service and graduated Navy officer school at Newport Rhode Island and served from 1959-1962. He often shared stories of his time as a navigator on his ship using the stars to navigate their location. After George served in the military, he then moved to Toledo to study law and received a Juris Doctoris in 1966 from University of Toledo. He also had a graduate degree of Legal Letters from Case Western Reserve University.

He was involved in politics in the 1970s serving as a trustee for Sylvania Township and as a board member for TARTA. George ran as a republican candidate for the following positions: Lucas County prosecuting attorney, United States Congress and State Senator.

In his free time, he had a single engine pilot's license and enjoyed flying the

local skies. He was also an avid runner and participated frequently in local road races winning his age group. George continued to run up into his eighties. He can be described as a nonconformist and unconventional, never taking worry about what others thought of him. He spoke assertively and made a point to let you know exactly how he felt. He instilled in his children a love for all living creatures; the importance of caring for your body and mind and working hard for what you want. He was admired for his work ethic and dedication to his law firm. He was rarely known to smile but his daughter knew how to make him laugh.

A celebration of life will be held Saturday, February 5, 2022. Visitation will be from 1:00-3:00pm. Service will be at 3:00 p.m. with a Masonic Service, at the Coyle Funeral Home, 1770 S. Reynolds Rd., Toledo, Ohio. For more information, please contact daughter Heather Rudolph at 304-916-8008. Please leave a condolence message at [CoyleFuneralHome.com](http://CoyleFuneralHome.com).

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 5. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Coyle Funeral Home  
1770 S. Reynolds Road  
Toledo, OH 43614

## Memorial Service

FEB 5. 3:00 PM (ET)

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1770 S. Reynolds Road  
Toledo, OH 43614

# Tribute Wall



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of George Ronald Royer.*



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January 24, 2022 at 09:57 AM



“ *I was very sorry to hear of Mr. Roger's passing. I knew him from my job at the courthouse. Years ago one of my children was very ill. Mr. Royer heard about it and approached me in a grocery store to ask about my son. I was very surprised as I had never had a conversation with him that was not work-related. That conversation was just what I needed in that moment. After our initial conversation and my son's recovery, we always spoke. Mr. Royer participated in every race held at the Monclova Community Center to support our fundraising efforts. My condolences to the family. His kindness and friendship was very special to me and will never be forgotten.*  
*Karen Lemle*

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**Karen Lemle** - November 14, 2021 at 08:51 AM



*Thank you for sharing*

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**Heather Rudolph** - January 10, 2022 at 09:56 AM

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“ My condolences to the Royer family.

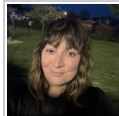
*During my years of practicing law I had several cases with George, both civil and criminal. I always found him to be a gentleman who attempted firmly to represent his clients. George was very intelligent, and in one jury trial we had he memorized the names of every potential juror in the jury pool without needing to refer to notes like other attorneys do. It was something like 20 people. This was the part of the trial called the "voir dire." Needless to say, the jurors eventually selected were very impressed and seemed to hang on George's every question and argument. He won the case and after the verdict the judge congratulated George on his presentation on behalf of his client.*

*I also knew George was a runner to whom physical fitness mattered, something we shared in common. Again, my sympathies to the Royer family on your loss.*

*Mark Schmollinger*

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**Mark Schmollinger** - October 25, 2021 at 04:40 PM



*Hi Mark, This is Heather, George's daughter. Thank you for sharing your comment. Someone told me the story about him memorizing the names of jurors. He was incredibly intelligent. He would often quiz us in the car on world history and geography; and write pages out of the dictionary. Not always fun but we always learned something new!*

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**Heather Rudolph** - October 28, 2021 at 09:28 PM



“ 19 files added to the album *George Royer*



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**Heather Rudolph** - October 24, 2021 at 05:05 PM