



Ronald Walter Chase

November 9, 1932 - August 21, 2022

Ron was born and raised in Detroit, Michigan, the son of Walter and Adeline Chase. He graduated from Detroit's Aero Mechanics High School. Ron served in the Korean War as an Army Mechanic.

After getting out of the service, Ron came to Santa Barbara where he met and married Janice Cota, a Santa Barbara native.

Ron worked for Hendry Brothers Blacksmith Shop until the shop closed. He then opened his own small business, Ron Chase Welding. Ron was a renowned Certified Master Welder and later worked for Western Welding in Goleta. His welding career was capped off by becoming an instructor at Santa Barbara City College. His students remember his principle teaching of "Safety First."

Ron was an accomplished piano and accordion player. In addition to the local piano group, he was a co-founding member of the Accordion International Music Society of Santa Barbara. Ron and his fellow musicians performed at many musical functions around town. His musical playing exuded the joy of life he carried in his heart.

Ron was preceded in death by his parents, and his wife Janice. He is survived by his companion Georgia Martin; his children, Valerie, Loretta, Michael,

Katrina, Donald, and Eric; and his three grandchildren, Ronald, Taylor, and Ashley.

Ron will be remembered for his love of people and always taking time to check up on his friends, colleagues, and acquaintances. Ron will be greatly missed.

Previous Events

Viewing

AUG 27. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (PT)

Welch-Ryce-Haider - Downtown

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Tribute Wall

VC

“ 3 files added to the album *Accordion Duets Ron and Papa Heinz*



Valerie Chase - August 29, 2022 at 07:53 PM

NR

“ To Valerie, Loretta, Michael, Katrina, Donald, and Eric, and the entire extended Chase family:

Ron Chase – a life mentor, teacher, and quiet leader; a working man, a gentle man, a family man, a handsome man (those sparkling blue eyes!). A man who radiated a sense of order, calmness, and “right” living, who openly shared his love and respect for his fellow man, a lifelong joy of music and music-making, and daily gratitude for our time here on this earth. Godspeed, Ron, and thank you for all the sunny days you brought our way.

*Nick Rail
August 27, 2022
Crescent City CA*

Nick Rail - August 27, 2022 at 05:09 PM

DO

Thank you Nick for those very true words. His three grandchildren are all involved in music. The spirit lives on. Donald.

Don - August 27, 2022 at 07:19 PM

CN

“ We have all lost a truly remarkable man. A loving, caring husband, father, and grandpa. A truly cherished friend of 64 yrs. I can't even begin to list all the wonderful memories we shared with Ron & Janice.

My heart goes out to all the kids & family. Just know Ronnie will always be close in your hearts along with Janice.

Sadly missed, but never forgotten, we love you, Ronnie!

Carol Ann.....

Carol A Nation - August 27, 2022 at 03:31 AM

JW

“ So sorry to hear of Ronnie's death. I'm Ronnie's niece and the last time he came to Columbus, Ohio he played the piano with me at Riverside Hospital as well as his grand daughter , Ashley. I met Eric, Rosie and Ashley and of course Ronnie for lunch and we had a wonderful time.

Ronnie- you play that piano and accordion and entertain the angels!!

Jean Warnick



Jean Warnick - August 26, 2022 at 04:52 PM

ER

Well said Jean! He had such a great time on that trip!

Eric - August 28, 2022 at 05:04 PM

BH

“ Ron's generous friendship brought much happiness to our lives. He was always positive, cheerful, and willing to do whatever it took to play duets together.

*This video gives a glimpse of the "piano side" of Ron's life ... still can't believe he talked me into the mouse ears & gloves:
<https://youtu.be/uea0T-WtXEU>*

Ron was one of a kind and will be greatly missed.

Brian and Linda Hanson



B. Hanson - August 26, 2022 at 03:58 PM

ER

Thank you Brian for sharing that great video! I am so grateful he had such a great duet partner in you.

Eric - August 28, 2022 at 05:01 PM

VC

Brian - Thank you for sharing this video. The heart felt joy from watching this performance is a gift of the many musical memories you created with Ron.

Valerie Chase - August 29, 2022 at 08:00 PM

CH

“ Eric we are so sorry for the loss you and your family are going through. I hope the time and memories you have and will have of your Dad will be a comfort.

Corey Haire - August 25, 2022 at 04:07 PM

JS

“ So sorry for your loss, Eric and family.

Jennifer Sheppard - August 25, 2022 at 10:02 AM



“ I'm sorry for your loss, Eric. Praying for you and your family.

Jonathan Jones - August 25, 2022 at 09:00 AM

HS

“ My condolences to Eric and Family

Henry Sacasa - August 25, 2022 at 07:57 AM

CO

“ Katrina, I'm very sorry for the loss of your pops. I will never forget how his face lit up when we gave him our “smaller” accordion that would enable him to keep playing when his was a bit too large and heavy for him to continue to play. He was so happy playing it outside in your driveway for my brother and I (well you and Ma where there too). He was so happy that it made my heart happy knowing he would enjoy playing again.

My heart goes out to you during this difficult time. I hope your memories of the good times with your pops will forever live on in your heart.

Colleen

Colleen - August 25, 2022 at 01:16 AM

DO

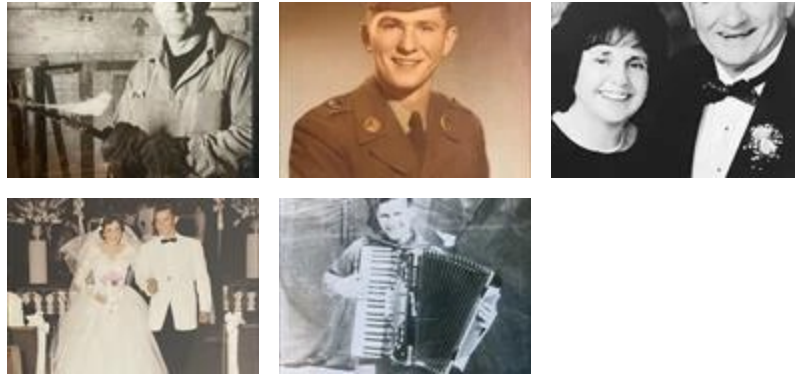
“ Please enjoy the video of Pa and I. We took to the sky many times and never had bad weather, a bad meal, or a bad landing. I will miss these moments.

<https://youtu.be/oojH1G6HIFA>

Don - August 24, 2022 at 11:16 PM

ER

“ 5 files added to the tribute wall



Eric - August 24, 2022 at 06:43 PM

RC

“ My sincere and heartfelt condolences to Eric and the entire family.

Richard Carnegie - August 24, 2022 at 04:36 PM

MS

“ Don and Suzy, I am so sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. I know how much he meant to you.

Margaret Smith - August 24, 2022 at 12:59 PM