



## Ronald Albert Schimpf

November 30, 1952 - June 12, 2026

Ronald Schimpf, 73, passed away on June 12, 2026 at his home in St George, UT. after a 9 year battle with Alzheimer's.

Ron was born November 30, 1952 in Pendleton, Oregon to Lee William Schimpf and Margaret Elizabeth (Limeberger) Schimpf. Ron married Melody Ann Warren at her parent's home in White Sulphur Springs, MT on June 7, 1975.

At age 2, Ron's parents moved their family back to Helena, MT their forever home. Ron was their first child followed by Robert William, Larry Alan and Linda Lee.

Ron grew up in Helena playing electric bass professionally by age 15. Ron also played saxophone, piano, bassoon and accordion. Ron attended Montana State University in Bozeman, MT and graduated in 1975 with a degree in Music Education. After teaching for 1 ½ years in Fraser and Melstone, MT he decided he loved teaching, but not dealing with administration. He

and Melody moved back to Bozeman and started a Servpro cleaning business. After 5 years they sold the business and went on the road playing music in Montana and Oregon. For the next few years along with playing music, he sold computers and cars before starting Rocky Mountain Pro Clean, another cleaning business, in 1989. Upon leaving that business, worked at Kinkos and then moved on to Music Villa for the next 17 yrs, where he completed his working career. The love of Ron's life was playing music. He played bass, saxophone and accordion in many bands over the years. Most important to him was his 25 years with SGT. ROCK. The members of that band were his dearest brothers. Even in his last days he was asking about them and when they would play again.

Ron was a member of the AFofM local musicians union, the Bozeman Elks and the Wapiti Investment club for 25 years.

He was a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints. He proudly served as 1 st counselor in the Big Sky Branch presidency for 5 years.

Ron was preceded in death by his parents Lee and Margaret and 4 of his Sgt Rock band mates.

Ron is survived by his wife Melody of 51years, brother Bob (Fawn, children Brady, Ryan and Madison and their families), brother Larry (Sandy – deceased, daughter

Jenifer and family),  
sister Linda Luby (Terry – deceased, Brandon, Bryan and Brice and their families). Not to be forgotten his Sgt Rock band brothers Fred Decker, Ritchie Secor, Dave Fjeld, Mike Olson, Jerry Mullen and Jr. Damjanovich.

I want to give a special thank you to my sister-in-law Linda Luby who has been only a phone call away for the last 3 years.

I would like to thank the wonderful caring people at Dixie Hospice, Cynthia Stock, RN, McKenzie Guthman, CNA, Cathy Campos, Social Services, Jimi Kestin, Chaplain and Terry, Volunteer for all of their amazing support. Stephanie Cook and Linda Walden, my ministering sisters who have shown me so much love.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to the Heart of the Valley animal shelter., Dixie Hospice or a charity of your choice.

A Celebration of Life will be held mid-August in Bozeman, MT. Date, Location and Time will be announced at a later date.

Family and friends are invited to share tributes online at [www.SerenitySTG.com](http://www.SerenitySTG.com) mArrangements and memorial tree planting under the direction of Serenity Funeral Home of

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