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It is with heavy hearts that we announce the unexpected passing of Randall "Randy" Thane Cronk on November 8, at the age of 73, while performing his duties as an esteemed member of the Washington County Public Works team. He loved serving his community of St. George, Utah and the surrounding areas.

Randy was born on April 28, 1951, to Richard "Dewey" Charles and Loretta D. Cronk. He was raised in the tiny town of Broadview, Montana with his two younger sisters, Juanita "Nita" and Tammy. Randy grew up in the outdoors hunting, fishing, and camping. He was a letterman athlete and excelled in basketball, track, and baseball before graduating from Broadview High School in 1969.

After hanging up his sneakers, spikes, and cleats, Randy continued his education in Kalispell, Montana where he earned a Forestry degree from Flathead Community College in 1971. That led him to a career as a firefighter for the US Forest Service that later transitioned into geological and hydro-engineering for the USGS (United States Geological Survey) Bureau.

Making a major career pivot, Randy pursued his dream of becoming a professional golfer (this would later lead him to the three greatest wins of his life). After attaining his PGA card, he worked and "played" within the golf industry throughout Montana, California, and Utah as a player, head golf/teaching professional, and in golf club design/repair for over 10 years.

While his professional golf career did not end with an induction into the hall of fame, it did introduce him to Marcia, the daughter of a course regular. After chasing her for years, Randy finally won his most cherished "trophy" and married the love of his life, Marcia, in Salt Lake City, Utah on Friday, January 13, 1984. Shortly thereafter, he won again with the birth of their oldest son, Anthony "Tony," and later got a third win with the birth of their youngest son, Trevor.

Realizing that the "golf business" would not provide the lifestyle he wanted for his family, Randy revived his engineering career. He worked all over the state of Utah in surveying, drafting, civil engineering, geotechnical engineering, and spent the last 19 years serving as the Public Works Inspector for Washington County.

Randy had two major loves in this world 1) his family and 2) fishing... any type of fishing! He served as the President of the Southern Utah Anglers for many years and loved sharing the sport with everyone but was especially fond of teaching the youth.

Talking to people and serving others were Randy's superpowers. His ability to talk to anyone and make them feel like they were the only thing that mattered in that moment was his gift. He loved helping others and was always the first to lend a hand, tool, joke, words of support, and of course... a story... he always had a story! While Randy's story has come to an end... stories of Randy will live on FOREVER!

Randy is survived by his wife, Marcia; their two sons, Anthony "Tony" (Bethany) and Trevor (Ashlyn); their grandsons, Ryker, Nixon, and Greyson; his two sisters, Juanita "Nita" Woodard (Greg) and Tammy Cronk (Steve Strissel).

A celebration of Randy's life will be held on Saturday, November 16 at the Mulberry Chapel in St. George, Utah. Visitation will begin at 9:30 AM followed by a service starting at 11 AM.

Mulberry Chapel
3381 Mulberry Dr
St. George, UT 84790

Family and friends are invited to share condolences online at: www.SerenityStG.com. Arrangements and memorial tree planting are under the direction of Serenity Funeral Home, St. George of Southern Utah, 986-9100.

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV **16**. 9:30 AM - 10:45 AM (MT)

Bloomington 4th Ward
3381 Mulberry Dr.
St. George, UT 84790

Funeral Service

NOV **16**. 11:00 AM (MT)

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Tribute Wall



“ 28 April 2026: Happy 75th birthday, RC. Forever in my heart. - Flash

Long Ago Love - April 28 at 06:47 PM



“ 1 file added to the album Funeral Audio Recording



Serenity Funeral Home of Southern Utah - November 18, 2024 at 11:08 AM



“ Randy was always so kind to me and was so great to my kids too. I remember one time when I stayed at the Cronks house as a kid Randy made me a cash register that I loved so much and played with all the time. It was one of a few select toys that never got thrown out and now my kids play with it as well. Thanks Randy, you will be missed.



Chuck Tucker - November 16, 2024 at 12:37 AM

SD

“ Randy's presence will most definitely be missed in our work offices. Not seeing him every day at his desk, in Todds office, walking pass our department window, at the candy bowl or entertaining us with his stories is something we will never get used to. He was a kind and good person, and he loved his grandkids. His Disney cruise story with all the grandkids was my favorite. It was an honor to know him. His stories will live on in our memories.

Sinalei Tutagalevao, CD Dept. - November 15, 2024 at 05:58 PM

CD

“ Community D. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Randall "Randy" Thane Cronk.

Community D. - November 15, 2024 at 05:02 PM

LG

“ Yep, Randy could tell a story, alright! About fishing, about golf, about Montana, about taking the grandkids to Disney! The last one I heard was about when the old railroad depot up in Montana was moved, and the driver drank and passed out, but when he woke up he moved that depot across the street, turned it 180 degrees, and set it down on the wiggley waggley foundation Randy had poured, and it was only like 2 inches off on one part of the foundation, and the guy never spilled a drop from the glass of water sitting on the kitchen table!! Randy should have done stand-up or written a book - - all his stories were funny and kind. Randy was one of the good guys. He loved his family and he loved life and he was always ready to help. I'm glad I got to know Randy. He had a large presence, and he'll be greatly missed by all that knew him. My heartfelt condolences to Marcia and his family.

Lisa McAleer, Washington County GIS - November 15, 2024 at 10:37 AM

TB

“ *The Pedersens, Schotts, & Brinkels planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Randall "Randy" Thane Cronk.*

The Pedersens, Schotts, & Brinkels - November 14, 2024 at 08:34 PM

RH

“ *Randy was a great friend, neighbor and fishing buddy. We exited our building a couple of times a week together & talked fishing until we reach our vehicles. Our prayers are with Marcia, Tony, Trevor and their families at this difficult time.*

Ryan A Hatch - November 14, 2024 at 06:36 PM

TE

“ *We will miss Randy so much. He was one of my best friends. Randy never met anyone he couldn't tell a story to and make you feel like you were his best friend. Condolences to Marcia and your wonderful family. The Public Works Department will be much less sunny without Randy's light in our life. Todd Edwards and the Washington County Public Works team.*

Todd Edwards - November 14, 2024 at 06:25 PM

TE

“ *Todd & Cindy Edwards purchased the Heartfelt Memories for the family of Randall "Randy" Thane Cronk.*



Todd & Cindy Edwards - November 14, 2024 at 06:18 PM

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Todd & Cindy Edwards - November 14, 2024 at 06:18 PM



“ Large Basket Garden was purchased for the family of Randall "Randy" Thane Cronk.



November 14, 2024 at 12:15 PM

DE

“ We will miss the large smile and the large stories that Randy would bring and share, always making use feel part of his team. We are saddened of his passing, we also recognize its only temporary. As he progresses to the next stage of perfection. May God bless his family with continual support and love. Darren Ence, Doug Prisbrey, Southwest Diesel

Darren Ence - November 14, 2024 at 12:05 PM

RR

“ Randy was a significant part of the Southern Utah Anglers Fishing Club and contributed many hours to the St George Area Urban Fishing Program especially the annual kids fishing derby's for area elementary are special needs students. His loss leaves a big hole in the hearts of everyone who worked with him. He was a great friend, willing to share his knowledge with anyone, and an amazing loving father and grandfather. We'll see you in the next life Randy. We'll miss you until then. Tight lines...

Rick Rosenberg - November 14, 2024 at 09:40 AM

RW

“ Always considered Randy a great neighbor. This comes as a shock and my condolences go out to Marcia and the entire family. May he rest in eternal peace.

Robert & Debi Wood, Midway, Utah

Robert Wood - November 14, 2024 at 02:43 AM



“ Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of Randall "Randy" Thane Cronk.



November 13, 2024 at 05:57 PM