



## Ronald E. Coughenour

July 5, 1933 - June 27, 2013

Ronald E. Coughenour passed into God's hands suddenly on Thursday, June 27, 2013 at UTMC. Ron was born to Stella and Roy Coughenour on July 5, 1933. He was to celebrate his 80th birthday this year. He married his wife Phyllis on August 6, 1955 whom he started dating when she was just 15. They would have celebrated their 58th Wedding Anniversary this year. Ron was a U.S. Letter Carrier for 31 years before retiring to become full time Vice President of NALC Branch 100, a position he held for 25 years. He was active in dealing with mediation and arbitrations. Before becoming Branch Vice President he served as shop steward at the old Station B. Ron was very active with the Toledo Area AFL-CIO beginning in 1960 to present, including serving as Executive Secretary and Council Legislative Coordinator. One of his proudest moments was serving as Grand Marshall in the 2006 Toledo Labor Day Parade. He was also involved in community service. He is the current Vice President of the Anne Grady Services Foundation Board and also a current member of the Lucas County Democratic Executive Committee. He previously served on multiple boards and committees including United Way of Greater Toledo, Lucas County Board of DD, Private Industry Council Board, Workforce Development . Ron is lovingly survived by his wife of 57 years Phyllis. Also surviving are his son Ronald, daughters Janice (Joe) Stockdale, Penni (Dan) Pelow, grandchildren, Kelley (Mike) Mishka, Brooke (fiancé Eric) Stockdale, Matthew Pegish, Steven (Raquel) Stockdale, Brett (Tanna) Pegish of Sweetwater Tenn., Joe Stockdale, Brianne Pelow, and Zachary Pelow as

well as his great grandchildren, Lindsey Stockdale, Anthony Laffartha, Aaron Laffartha and Alexander Stockdale. Though Ron dedicated himself to the Labor Movement and civic duties, his first commitment was to his family. They always came first. He will be missed by his family and many friends. Friends are invited to visit from 2:00-8:00PM on Sunday June 30, and Monday July 1, 2013 in the Ansberg-West Funeral Home, 3000 Sylvania Ave. where funeral services will begin at 11:00AM on Tuesday. Interment will be in the Toledo Memorial Park Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, the family requests consideration in honor of Ron to The American Cancer Society, The American Heart Association or the Anne Grady Foundation. To send Ron's family online condolences, please visit [www.ansberg-west.com](http://www.ansberg-west.com).

# Tribute Wall

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“ *May his soul rest in perfect peace,Amen.*

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**Dr and Mrs Afolabi** - February 01, 2018 at 12:00 AM

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“ *On behalf of the Kaptur family, the daughters and sons of laboring people, all letter carriers past and present, and people from our entire community whose lives Ron touched so kindly and so continuously, please accept our deepest sympathies on his passing from this life. Good, honorable, and intelligent, Ron put his entire life to work serving others, especially the condition of life for workers. It was always a pleasure to be in his company. One knew you were with a man you could trust and appreciate. And wherever he was, his beloved, devoted wife, Phyllis, was at his side. Our community has been so blessed to know him, and to be bettered by his life dedicated to the cause of working men and women. Thank you to Ron's family for sharing him generously, for decades, with all of us. We have been all elevated by his life. Ron was a patriot, a leader, and a man for others. May his soul rest in peace. And may Phyllis and his family and friends find comfort in the memories of moments shared. Ron will live always in the hearts of all of us who respected and loved him. Marcy*

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**Congresswoman Marcy Kaptur** - February 01, 2018 at 12:00 AM

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“ *I only knew Mr. Coughenour thru Kelley his granddaughter. He was such a anice man, i asked him a question thru her, and he gave me all kinds of information. I will miss him as Grampa tht Kelley always spoke of in a good way. I send sympathy to whole family and friends. He is missed by us all! Sincerely, Lynne*

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**Lynne Michalak** - February 01, 2018 at 12:00 AM

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“ Rest in Peace Ron. To all the family, he was a wonderful person and very much a family man. You will carry all those beautiful memories with you the rest of your lives. He will be watching over all of you and you will feel his love forever. We will keep all of you in our Prayers Pat and Chuck Pohlman

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**Pat and Chuck Pohlman** - February 01, 2018 at 12:00 AM

BC

“ "Grandfathers are a gift of love" May you find peace in all your wonderful memories of your grandpa. Our thoughts and prayers are with you Brooke and your family during this great loss.

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**Bruce and Debra Cox** - February 01, 2018 at 12:00 AM