



## David Edward Ruff

July 26, 1947 - January 31, 2018

David Edward Ruff, age 70, of Morrilton, Arkansas, passed away Wednesday, January 31, 2018. He was born July 26, 1947 in Morrilton, Arkansas, a son of Ed Ruff and Rosemary Nagel Ruff. He was a member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church and was the owner of Petit Jean Meats.

He is survived by his wife, Jan Means Ruff of Morrilton; sons, Heath (Melissa) Ruff of St. Louis, Ed (Carey) Ruff of Morrilton, Travis (Samantha) Ruff of Morrilton, Charles Ruff and fiancée, Noel of Conway, and John (Xin) Ruff of Conway; sister, Carol Borkowski of Little Rock; nine grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Funeral Mass will be 10:30 a.m. Saturday, February 3, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church with Father Jack Harris officiating. Burial will be at Sacred Heart Cemetery by Harris Funeral Home of Morrilton. Vigil will be 6:00 p.m. Friday, February 2, with visitation following at the funeral home. In lieu of flowers, the family would request that memorials be made to the Sacred Heart Catholic School Endowment Fund.

# Tribute Wall



“ *David Edward Ruff*

January 30, 2023 at 02:08 AM



“ *I worked for Morrilton Packing Company for 32 1/2 years. I love all of the Ruff family. They treated me like family always. David helped me through many hard times during my working years. I love all of my Petit Jean Neats family.*

**Leona Sumner** - June 29, 2018 at 05:13 PM



“ *David (and David's family) represents the best. He has led his family's company through growth in sales but perhaps more importantly, growth in esteem. Indeed, David is held in high esteem by this community, and he has lifted all of our heads a little higher because Morrilton is equated with David's Petit Jean Meats. Thanks to David Ruff, people from New York to Dallas think of Morrilton as Petit Jean Meats, and that is a good place to be. His positive impact on our community is huge; impossible to measure but easy to see and feel. Condolences to the family and to all who worked with and for him. He will be missed.*

**Jerry Smith** - June 29, 2018 at 05:13 PM



“ *David was a true professional of the meat industry and a very nice person as well. Very dedicated industry leader who was actively involved in SMA for many years.*

**Burley Smith** - June 29, 2018 at 05:13 PM

JD

“ I am sorry to hear of your loss. Mr. Ruff was one of the first to welcome me into the Southwest Meat Association family. He had a kind heart and generous spirit. Julie Davis

Julie Davis - June 29, 2018 at 05:13 PM

JE

“ Condolences to friends and family. I had the opportunity to work with David for over 20 years.

Joey Edwards - June 29, 2018 at 05:13 PM

MR

“ HE SITS AT THE RIGHT HAND OF GOD.

Mike Reagan - June 29, 2018 at 05:13 PM

MS

“ We send our sincerest condolences at this time of loss. Please know that our thoughts and prayers are with your family during this time of great sadness. Warmest regards-Marsha and Max Stabel Ranch House Meat Company,LLC Menard, TX

Marsha Stabel - June 29, 2018 at 05:13 PM

JH

“ Jan, I'm so sorry for your loss. Always have good memories of you and David when you were in Russellville. Good memories of David at Con Agra(Mortons). You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers. Janis

Janis Hylton - June 29, 2018 at 05:13 PM

JH

“ Jan, I'm so sorry for your loss. You and your family are in my prayers. I have good memories of David at Con Agra (Mortons) and of you and the boys when little. Again I'm so sorry! Janis

Janis Hylton - June 29, 2018 at 05:13 PM

NH

“ Mr. Ruff was a kind hearted individual. He will be greatly missed.

Nicole Holmes - June 29, 2018 at 05:13 PM

WN

“ Jan and John, I am so so sorry for your loss. Please know that my thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. David was so kind and generous to the school. I still remember the field trip we took to the plant. The kids had so much fun. I know you will miss him dearly.

Wendy Nichols - June 29, 2018 at 05:13 PM

TS

“ We at Weldon's Meat Market are so sorry for you familie's loss. He was always a pleasure to do business with him and he will be sorely missed.

Tom Starnes - June 29, 2018 at 05:13 PM

SC

“ Jan I am so sorry for your loss. Prayers for you and your family. Sherry Cowell (Bible Study Fellowship friend)

Shery Cowell - June 29, 2018 at 05:13 PM

DT

“ David was a great friend and has a great company. Was a great leader and proud to know him. My thoughts and prayers are with the family.

David Tullos - June 29, 2018 at 05:13 PM

BS

“ I have known David for many years. I grew up with his sons, and was always treated like family. He will be missed.

Brandon Silva - June 29, 2018 at 05:13 PM

BP

“ WE WERE NEIGHBORS IN RUSSELLVILLE, WITH DAVID AND JAN. WE ARE PRAYING FOR THE FAMILY IN THEIR LOSS!

BERT & PATTI PAGE - June 29, 2018 at 05:13 PM

GH

“ Jan and family, It's been many years since we were neighbors but your family holds a fond place in our hearts. We are so saddened by the passing of David. Prayers for you and your family that God will wrap you in the comfort of those closest to you.HV4dp

Glenn and Brenda Holmes - June 29, 2018 at 05:13 PM

JP

“ May the Eternal Light shine upon David. He was truly a blessing to so many, including my family for the past 30 years. Arkansans can take pride in his pursuit of excellence and dedication to quality. May his legacy live on!

Joseph Post - June 29, 2018 at 05:13 PM

MK

“ Ed and Carey, we were so sad to hear your father passed away. Your dad was a special person to all who knew him! He cared so much for others in his business at Petit Jean Meats, at Sacred Heart Church, and family and friends in Morrilton. We will all miss him! You are in our thoughts and prayers! Danny and Merinda Kordsmeier

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**Merinda Kordsmeier** - June 29, 2018 at 05:13 PM

LS

“ OUR PRAYERS ARE WITH YOU ALL.MAY GOD BLESS AND KEEP YOU DURINGTHIS TIME OF LOSS.SINCERELY,THE SILVA FAMILY

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**LOREN SILVA** - June 29, 2018 at 05:13 PM



“ Prayers for your family.Fred (DaVita Dialysis)

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