



Ronald A. Winter

July 24, 1945 - March 18, 2022

Ronald A. Winter, age 76, of Lathrup Village, passed away on March 18, 2022. He was born on July 24, 1945, in Detroit, to the late Albert and Antoinette Winter.

Ronald Albert Winter, proprietor of Merwins Antiques in Downtown Birmingham, treasured mentor and friend, opened his first shop in 1970 on Hamilton Avenue in the University District of Detroit. He and his partner Sonny met at Wayne State, worked as waiters at the prestigious Hotel St. Regis on Grand Boulevard and lived in Palmer Park, Detroit's exclusive apartment community. His passionate wisdom, storied past, infinite knowledge, and unsurpassed sophistication were a cornerstone in the lives of many dear friends and family members as he resided in Oakland County and continued to work with his beloved dog Coco until his passing. His gallery of American and European paintings, period furniture, Oriental rugs, fine Sterling silver, art glass and pottery, stunning jewelry and objects of vertu was a Birmingham mainstay for decades serving fine collectors and interior designers of noteworthy importance. Ron was a deeply caring, generous and giving man with a sense of humor like no other. A fabulous resource to art minded folks in Michigan and across the United States was Ronald as a result of exhibiting his collections for sale in nationally renowned antique shows during his peak of the 1990s. He also participated in conducting wonderful estate sales as part of his legacy and longevity as one of the most significant curators and retailers Metropolitan Detroit has ever known throughout just over fifty years in

business. May we find comfort from our sadness in the incredible memories, endless gratitude and respect those surviving Ron share forever in our grieving hearts.

He is survived by his sister, Angela Stier.

Services will be held at a later date.

Arrangements in care of Jowett Funeral Home - New Haven.

Tribute Wall

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“ I am sorry to hear about Ron ! Lots of memories traveling with him over the years . Take care old friend Mike owen

Mike Owen - March 29, 2022 at 08:18 AM

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“ I will miss Ron so much! I will miss our long talks about everything under the sun. I loved to listen to his life stories. He loved his family and worried when someone was ill or going thru a difficult time. He cared!

He was a walking book of knowledge regarding antiques and I found it fascinating to listen to him.

He loved Coco. She was so lucky to have him as her daddy and she was so good for him.

I feel privileged to have known him! You will be missed.

Condolences to the entire family.

With Love and Much Respect,

Sam Clemons

Sam Clemons - March 27, 2022 at 11:04 AM