



Richard Keith Meyer

March 16, 1943 - March 29, 2024

To join the livestream broadcast of Richard's funeral service, please select the link below. The livestream will begin at 9:55 A.M. Wednesday morning, April 3, 2024. The service will also be archived and available for viewing for 90 days following the service.

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Richard Keith Meyer, age 81 years, a resident of Vienna, peacefully went to sleep and awoke in the arms of Jesus, on Friday morning, March 29, 2024.

Richard was born March 16, 1943 in Eldorado, Illinois. He was the son of Emil J. and Anna Mae (Porter) Meyer.

Richard was united in marriage to Anita Y. Montgomery in 1965. She survives.

In addition to his beloved wife, Richard is survived by; his family – Tracey (Debra) Meyer of Cypress and their family – Ashley (Joe) Henderson and children – Joseph, Micheal, John and Justin - and Dylan Meyer; Nicole (Ronnie) Rains of Carterville and family – Alecia (Zech) Perruquet and children – Hayliee, Caide, Ensley, Kash and Kace - and Erica (Hunter Reynolds) Mathis; a brother – Fred (Trisha) Meyer of Vienna; a sister-in-law – Donna Meyer of Carrier Mills; a brother-in-law – Mason (Charlotte)

Montgomery of Cypress; a god daughter – Sherri (Roger) Rich of Carterville; along with a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and many dear friends.

In addition to his parents, Richard was preceded in death by a brother, Jerry Meyer.

Richard attended grade school and his first two years of high school in Ridgway, Illinois. Then, when the family moved to Johnson County, Richard completed his junior and senior years at Vienna High School, graduating in 1961. He also attended the Southern Illinois University-College of Technical Careers and received certification in machine tool and die.

Richard proudly served for 6 years in the Illinois National Guard.

Richard was an avid outdoorsman. He loved the land and farming. He was employed for a time by the Illinois Department of Corrections at the Vienna Correctional Center. Later, he began his career as a highway maintainer for the Illinois Department of Transportation and was employed for 13 ½ years, prior to his retirement.

Richard enjoyed many activities through the years, including competing in tractor pull events. He is fondly remembered for his love of restoring and showing classic muscle cars, especially his 1957 and 1962 Chevy's. Richard's training permitted him to custom fabricate parts for his vehicles. He also was well known around the region's car show circuit and won many awards through the years.

Richard was a member of Vienna Masonic Lodge # 150 A.F. & A.M. He was also a member of the Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine - Ainad Temple.

During the family's residency in Gallatin County, they worshipped at New Hope Baptist Church in Ridgway. Richard accepted Christ as his Savior at New Hope Church at the age of 11 and was baptized in a local creek. Locally, the family affiliated with First Baptist Church in Vienna. Richard enjoyed music and participated in the bass section of the church choir. He admired the music skills of renowned Southern Gospel bass singer, J.D. Sumner.

A funeral service honoring the life of Richard Meyer will be conducted Wednesday morning, April 3, 2024, at 10 A.M. at Bailey Funeral Home in Vienna. Pastor Brian Lingle will officiate with a eulogy to be given by Mr. Rodney Gholson.

Burial will be in the Vienna Fraternal Cemetery. Military honors will accorded.

Visitation will be held Tuesday evening, April 2, 2024, from 5 P.M. to 8 P.M. at the funeral home. Masonic rites will be accorded at 8 P.M. Tuesday evening by Vienna Masonic Lodge # 150 A.F. & A.M.

Memorials may be made to the Shriner's Hospital for Children, 4400 Clayton Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri 63110.

Serving as pallbearers – Dylan Meyer, Derek Meyer, Kent Meyer, Collin Meyer, Sam Goddard, and Bart Mighell.

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 2. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Bailey Funeral Home
705 North First Street
PO Box 695
Vienna, IL 62995
(618) 658-2311
baileyfhinc@hotmail.com
<https://baileyfh.com>

Masonic Rites

APR 2. 8:00 PM (CT)

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Service

APR 3. 10:00 AM (CT)

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Committal Service & Military Honors

APR 3. 11:15 AM (CT)

Vienna Fraternal Cemetery
N. 6th Street
Vienna, IL

Tribute Wall



“ *Bailey Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Richard Keith Meyer*



Bailey Funeral Home - April 03, 2024 at 09:02 AM



“ *We want to extend our deepest condolences to the family of Richard Meyer. He was a gentleman and friend, and he will be missed. Judge James R. and Debbie Williamson*

Judge James R. and Deborah Williamson - April 04, 2024 at 09:01 PM



“ *Kenny And Diane Baker lit a candle in memory of Richard Keith Meyer*



Kenny and Diane Baker - April 02, 2024 at 08:37 PM



“ *Always a great guy, and a great friend. Sympathy to the family*

Wayne Dunn - April 02, 2024 at 08:30 PM

LF

“ Love, The Sheraden Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Richard Keith Meyer.



Love, The Sheraden Family - April 01, 2024 at 07:03 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Richard Keith Meyer.



April 01, 2024 at 12:19 PM



“ Guiding Light Bouquet was purchased for the family of Richard Keith Meyer.



April 01, 2024 at 11:28 AM

LM

“ Linda And Jeff Mathis lit a candle in memory of Richard Keith Meyer



Linda and Jeff Mathis - March 31, 2024 at 07:45 PM

BC

“ *Bob And Kim Collins lit a candle in memory of Richard Keith Meyer*



Bob and Kim Collins - March 31, 2024 at 05:46 PM

BR

“ *Bobby Rentfro lit a candle in memory of Richard Keith Meyer*



Bobby Rentfro - March 31, 2024 at 02:17 PM

MM

“ *McKenzie Mattox lit a candle in memory of Richard Keith Meyer*



McKenzie Mattox - March 30, 2024 at 01:38 PM

BR

“ *Bob & Shordy Ramsey*



Bob & Shordy Ramsey - March 30, 2024 at 01:12 PM

JH

“ *Jim Hodges lit a candle in memory of Richard Keith Meyer*



Jim Hodges - March 30, 2024 at 12:28 PM

GH

“ *My deepest sympathy to the family in your time of loss. God be with you all*



Gayla Hudson - March 30, 2024 at 11:46 AM

JP

“ *Jim & Lynda Porter purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Richard Keith Meyer.*



Jim & Lynda Porter - March 30, 2024 at 11:23 AM

DP

“ *Davis And Pat Prewit lit a candle in memory of Richard Keith Meyer*



Davis and Pat Prewit - March 30, 2024 at 09:07 AM

PS

“ So very sorry for your loss, God Bless,
prayers!!



Pat Jobe Stahl - March 29, 2024 at 11:18 PM

DR

“ Diane Rainbolt lit a candle in memory of
Richard Keith Meyer



Diane Rainbolt - March 29, 2024 at 11:10 PM

JS

“ John Slack sent a virtual gift in memory of
Richard Keith Meyer



John Slack - March 29, 2024 at 11:07 PM

LM

“ Larry And Carolyn McGill lit a candle in
memory of Richard Keith Meyer



Larry and Carolyn McGill - March 29, 2024 at 10:18 PM

VE

“ Vicki Eastwood lit a candle in memory of Richard Keith Meyer



Vicki Eastwood - March 29, 2024 at 09:22 PM

DM

“ Doug Mathis lit a candle in memory of Richard Keith Meyer



Doug Mathis - March 29, 2024 at 08:41 PM

LT

“ Lowell And Susie Trovillion lit a candle in memory of Richard Keith Meyer



Lowell and Susie Trovillion - March 29, 2024 at 07:47 PM

MS

“ Mike And Nancy Solomon lit a candle in memory of Richard Keith Meyer



Mike and Nancy Solomon - March 29, 2024 at 07:22 PM

LB

“ *Linda Simmons Biethman lit a candle in memory of Richard Keith Meyer*



Linda Simmons Biethman - March 29, 2024 at 07:03 PM

FH

“ *Frederick And Betty Heaton lit a candle in memory of Richard Keith Meyer*



Frederick and Betty Heaton - March 29, 2024 at 06:10 PM

MM

“ *Condolences to the family.*



Margaret Mathis - March 29, 2024 at 04:56 PM



“ *Jeannie McCall sent a virtual gift in memory of Richard Keith Meyer*



Jeannie McCall - March 29, 2024 at 03:55 PM

JP

“ Anita and family, Fred & Tricia, So sorry for your loss of Richard, he was a good man and will be missed by many. May God comfort you in the days ahead. Our love and sympathy, Jerry, Judy and Jay Phelps.



J Phelps - March 29, 2024 at 02:53 PM

BT

“ Becky Turley lit a candle in memory of Richard Keith Meyer



Becky Turley - March 29, 2024 at 02:36 PM

RH

“ Rickey Sandra Harner lit a candle in memory of Richard Keith Meyer



Rickey Sandra Harner - March 29, 2024 at 02:14 PM

BC

“ Bob And Kim Collins lit a candle in memory of Richard Keith Meyer



Bob and Kim Collins - March 29, 2024 at 02:00 PM

LK

“ *Linda Koehler lit a candle in memory of Richard Keith Meyer*



Linda Koehler - March 29, 2024 at 01:59 PM

BW

“ *Bill And Barb Warmack lit a candle in memory of Richard Keith Meyer*



Bill and Barb Warmack - March 29, 2024 at 01:26 PM

NB

“ *Nancy Breeden lit a candle in memory of Richard Keith Meyer*



Nancy Breeden - March 29, 2024 at 01:26 PM

DH

“ *Dallas And Charlene Harner sent a virtual gift in memory of Richard Keith Meyer*



Dallas and Charlene Harner - March 29, 2024 at 01:13 PM

JT

“ *JerryToler /Ann Toler lit a candle in memory of Richard Keith Meyer*



JerryToler /Ann Toler - March 29, 2024 at 01:12 PM

KB

“ *Karen Brumley lit a candle in memory of Richard Keith Meyer*



Karen Brumley - March 29, 2024 at 01:10 PM

TH

“ *Todd Hayden lit a candle in memory of Richard Keith Meyer*



Todd Hayden - March 29, 2024 at 12:59 PM

TH

“ *So sorry for your loss we'll be praying for your family 🙏🙏*

Todd Hayden - March 29, 2024 at 12:58 PM

EH

“ *Ernie Henshaw lit a candle in memory of Richard Keith Meyer*



Ernie Henshaw - March 29, 2024 at 12:50 PM

MH

“ *Anita keeping you and your family in my prayers.*



Mary Lou Hynes - March 29, 2024 at 12:48 PM

LM

“ *Larry And Carolyn McGill lit a candle in memory of Richard Keith Meyer*



Larry and Carolyn McGill - March 29, 2024 at 12:32 PM