



## Richard "Rick" Bigham

July 22, 1960 - September 16, 2021

Richard "Rick" Bigham, age 61 years, a resident of rural Vienna, passed away Thursday evening, September 16, 2021, at Ascension St. Vincent in Evansville, Indiana.

Rick was born July 22, 1960 in Chicago, Illinois. He was the son of William R. Bigham and Anna Faye (Wilson) Bigham.

Rick is survived by: his children – Courtney Bigham of Hannibal, Missouri and Zachary (his fiancé, Makenzie Pegram) Bigham of Paducah, Kentucky; his soulmate – Darla Scott of Jackson, Missouri; 3 brothers – Willis Jackson of Cairo, Jeff (Amy) Jackson of Vienna, and William (Pam) Bigham of Thebes. Rick is also survived by Drew (Ryan) Roberts, whom he loved like a daughter, of Stafford, Virginia. Rick was a proud "Big Pop" to Westlyn, Dane and Deaken. He is also survived by nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and many friends. Rick loved his canine companions – Reese and Rider.

In addition to his parents, Rick was preceded in death by: a sister-in-law – Linda Jackson.

Rick was a 1978 graduate of Egyptian High School. He earned an associate degree from Shawnee Community College.

Rick was employed for 28 years by the Illinois Department of Corrections. He retired in 2010 from Vienna Correctional Center with the rank of Lieutenant. During his retirement, Rick had served as the security supervisor at Shawnee Community College. He was a former member of the “Tac Team” at Vienna Correctional Center and enjoyed participating in shooting competitions.

Rick was a member of the Masonic fraternity. He and Darla enjoyed biking and being a part of the biker community. Rick attended the Cape County Cowboy Church.

Rick loved cooking, smoking & barbecuing. He is widely known for his BBQ rubs sauces, and bacon.

A memorial service honoring the life of Richard “Rick” Bigham will be conducted Sunday afternoon, September 19, 2021, at 4 PM at Bailey Funeral Home in Vienna. Pastor Scott Sparks will officiate.

The family will receive relatives and friends from 1 PM – 4 PM Sunday at the funeral home.

Memorials may be made to Safe Harbor Animal Sanctuary, 359 Cree Lane, Jackson, Missouri 63755 or to the Shriners Hospital for Children, 4400 Clayton, Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri 63110.

# Previous Events

## Gathering of Family & Friends

SEP **19**. 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM (CT)

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

## Memorial Service

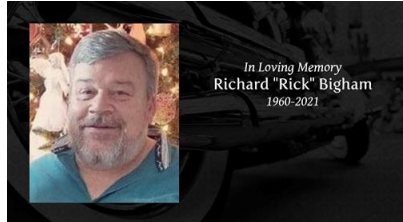
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# Tribute Wall



“ Bailey Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Richard "Rick" Bigham



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**Bailey Funeral Home** - September 20, 2021 at 02:35 PM



“ Richard "Rick" Bigham

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January 30, 2023 at 12:19 AM



“ with love and pray. becky

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**elizabeth de soto (becky)** - October 04, 2021 at 11:00 AM



“ Dennis And Pat Harner lit a candle in memory of Richard "Rick" Bigham



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**Dennis and Pat Harner** - September 20, 2021 at 10:38 PM

SF

“ You will be missed Rick! 🙏 for the family.



Stoup family - September 19, 2021 at 10:47 PM

E:

“ Ed Wagoner : lit a candle in memory of Richard "Rick" Bigham



Ed Wagoner : - September 18, 2021 at 10:23 PM

LM

“ Linda And Jeff Mathis lit a candle in memory of Richard "Rick" Bigham



Linda and Jeff Mathis - September 18, 2021 at 07:51 PM

RW

“ Loved you very much Richard. Peace and prayers to all the family. We sure have sweet enduring memories. Your cousins Regina, Linda

Regina Wilson, Linda Wilson - September 18, 2021 at 03:38 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Richard "Rick" Bigham.*



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September 18, 2021 at 12:30 PM



“ *He was a good friend. I will always remember the times we had together. RIP . Prayers for all Russ and Teresa Howard*

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**Glenn " Russ" Howard** - September 18, 2021 at 08:37 AM



“ *Thoughts and prayers to Darla, kids, family, and friends that love Rick.💙 R.I.P.*



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**MarlaRainey** - September 18, 2021 at 01:10 AM



“ *Austin Timmel lit a candle in memory of Richard "Rick" Bigham*



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**Austin Timmel** - September 18, 2021 at 12:48 AM

KM

“ Kaylyn Meyers lit a candle in memory of Richard "Rick" Bigham



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**Kaylyn Meyers** - September 18, 2021 at 12:25 AM

MS

“ I'm sure gonna miss ya buddy! Love ya!

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**Marty Stoner** - September 17, 2021 at 11:21 PM

MS

“ Marty Stoner lit a candle in memory of Richard "Rick" Bigham



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**Marty Stoner** - September 17, 2021 at 11:18 PM

JN

“ Judy Nutty lit a candle in memory of Richard "Rick" Bigham



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**Judy Nutty** - September 17, 2021 at 11:00 PM

BT

“ *Becky Turley lit a candle in memory of Richard "Rick" Bigham*



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**Becky Turley** - September 17, 2021 at 10:58 PM

RT

“ *We have been honored to know Rick for many years. Always a smile and kind words were shared by this sweet soul. He loved Courtney and Zachary beyond words. May God's peace be with his family and friends.*

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**Rosita and Ken Taake** - September 17, 2021 at 10:05 PM

CB

“ *Sending our Heartfelt condolences and Prayers to you all . We are so saddened to hear of Ricks passing - Toby and Carol Bryant*



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**Carol Bryant** - September 17, 2021 at 09:58 PM

JL

“ *Sending Prayers to All. He was a very loved man by everyone that had the Honor to be in his life. You will be Missed Dear Friend*



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**John & Roni Langley** - September 17, 2021 at 08:48 PM

LK

“ *Linda Koehler lit a candle in memory of Richard "Rick" Bigham*



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**Linda Koehler** - September 17, 2021 at 08:24 PM

MT

“ *Mike Turner lit a candle in memory of Richard "Rick" Bigham*



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**Mike Turner** - September 17, 2021 at 08:21 PM

TM

“ *I'm So Sorry for Your Loss Sending Prayers and Hugs to ALL of You!!*



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**Theresa Mckenzie-Trovillion** - September 17, 2021 at 08:18 PM

MH

“ *Michael Harper lit a candle in memory of Richard "Rick" Bigham*



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**Michael Harper** - September 17, 2021 at 07:51 PM

DF

“ *Debbie & Christina Faulkner lit a candle in memory of Richard "Rick" Bigham*



Debbie & Christina Faulkner - September 17, 2021 at 07:17 PM

NS

“ *I loved this wonderful man and have for 50+ years. He was one of the most loving, giving people I know and I didn't get to spend nearly enough time with him. Love you Rick and my heart breaks for your entire inner circle. You will be missed so very much* ❤️ ❤️



Norma Spurlock - September 17, 2021 at 07:12 PM

 Eric Howard

“ *Rick was one of the kindest people I have ever known. He impacted anyone he knew positively. I'll see you in heaven, my friend.*

Eric Howard - September 17, 2021 at 06:27 PM

DB

“ *Many prayers for the family.*



Dorothy Bacon - September 17, 2021 at 06:03 PM



“ Mike Crews lit a candle in memory of Richard  
"Rick" Bigham



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**Mike Crews** - September 17, 2021 at 05:59 PM