



Richie Gene Oliver

November 1, 1964 - June 18, 2026

Richie Gene Oliver, age 61 years, a resident of Cypress, Illinois, passed away unexpectedly Thursday afternoon, June 18, 2026, at 4:37 P.M. in Cypress.

Richie was born November 1, 1964 in Chicago, Illinois. He was the son of Carrol and Sharon (Ritchey) Oliver.

On May 22, 1999, Richie was united in marriage to Jacquie Funk at Bethany Baptist Church, near Cypress.

In addition to his wife and father, Richie is survived by: 2 children – Richie Wayne (his fiancé, Sydney Blevins) Oliver of Cypress, Illinois and Haylie Oliver of Cypress, Illinois; a sister – Penny (Jeff) Jordan of Vienna, Illinois; a sister-in-law – Toni (Chris) McHugh of Carrier Mills, Illinois, as well as a host of nieces, nephews, aunts, uncles, cousins, other relatives and many dear friends.

Richie was anticipating the birth of his first grandchild, a granddaughter, to be named Oaklynn, due to be born in August.

In addition to his mother, Richie was preceded in death by a son, Colton, as well as 2 children born sleeping; a sister – Dana Little; and his father-in-law and mother-in-law – Terry and Johnette Funk.

Richie was a 1982 graduate of Vienna High School. He was a trained and certified diesel mechanic. Richie had been employed by Shawnee Equipment and Transcraft, Inc. In 1989, Richie, along with his father Carrol, formed C. Oliver and Son. Together, they operated a tractor service and repair business. In 2015, Richie opened American Tractor. He was widely known as an excellent mechanic and had a passion for restoring tractors, especially “red tractors” and, as he would say, bringing them “back to life.” Richie was also a lifelong farmer.

Richie was very civic minded and involved in his community. He was a former member of the Cypress Village Board, a longtime member and chief of the Cypress Volunteer Fire Department, and had served from 2015 until the present as a board member for the Cypress Grade School, where he was also a longtime softball, basketball and baseball coach.

Richie was an avid outdoorsman. He enjoyed fishing as well as hunting deer, water fowl, and squirrels. In his youth, Richie was well known in the regional mud racing circuit.

Richie and Jacquie worshipped together at the Bethany Baptist Church, near Cypress.

Funeral services will be held Friday morning, June 26, 2026, at 11 A.M. at Bailey Funeral Home in Vienna. Pastor Jay Franklin will officiate.

Burial will be in the Cypress Cemetery.

Visitation will be conducted Thursday evening, June 25, 2026, from 5 P.M. until 8 P.M. at Bailey Funeral Home in Vienna. There will also be a time of visitation Friday morning, June 26, 2026, from 10 A.M. until the funeral hour at

11 A.M.

Cemetery Details

Cypress Cemetery

5847 State Route 37 South
Cypress, IL

Upcoming Events

Visitation

JUN 25. 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
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Visitation

JUN 26. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

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Service

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Tribute Wall

GB

“ *Glenn Brown lit a candle in memory of Richie Gene Oliver*



Glenn Brown - 43 minutes ago

JS

“ *John Slack lit a candle in memory of Richie Gene Oliver*



John Slack - 44 minutes ago

BR

“ *Bobby Rentfro lit a candle in memory of Richie Gene Oliver*



Bobby Rentfro - 51 minutes ago

TT

“ *So sorry for your loss. You probably don't remember me, but I am your cousin. (Your great-uncle Freddie was my dad) I can't imagine the shock you must be feeling. Praying for you and your family.*



Toni Taylor - 2 hours ago

JH

“ *Joseph & Ashley Henderson lit a candle in memory of Richie Gene Oliver*



Joseph & Ashley Henderson - 2 hours ago

PW

“ *Pat Womack lit a candle in memory of Richie Gene Oliver*



pat womack - 3 hours ago

MH

“ *Prayers for the family.*



Mary Lou Hynes - 3 hours ago

DF

“ *Debbie Faulkner lit a candle in memory of Richie Gene Oliver*



Debbie Faulkner - 3 hours ago

DK

“ Dale Kean lit a candle in memory of Richie Gene Oliver



Dale Kean - 3 hours ago

EH

“ Ernie Henshaw lit a candle in memory of Richie Gene Oliver



Ernie Henshaw - 4 hours ago

DS

“ Dale Schierbaum lit a candle in memory of Richie Gene Oliver



Dale Schierbaum - 4 hours ago

SJ

“ Steve & Darla Jones lit a candle in memory of Richie Gene Oliver



Steve & Darla Jones - 4 hours ago

LM

“ *Larry And Carolyn McGill lit a candle in memory of Richie Gene Oliver*



Larry and Carolyn McGill - 5 hours ago

DH

Sympathy to the family

Donna Hettinger - 4 hours ago