



Sandra Kay Richardson

August 15, 1944 - December 30, 2025

Sandra Kay Richardson, age 81 years, a resident of Cypress, Illinois, passed away Tuesday afternoon, December 30, 2025, at 5:15 P.M. at the Massac Memorial Hospital in Metropolis, Illinois.

Sandy, as she was affectionately known to family and friends, was born August 15, 1944 in Cypress, Illinois. She was the daughter of Melvin and Dorothy Genevieve (Dorsett) Moake.

On June 9, 1967, Sandy was united in marriage to Robert Richardson in Mounds, Illinois. Together, Bob and Sandy have shared over 58 years of marriage.

In addition to her beloved husband, Sandy is survived by: 4 sons – Tracy (Christina) Richardson of Cypress, Illinois, Bobby (Melody) Richardson of Lick Creek, Illinois, Jack (Beverly) Richardson of Vienna, Illinois, and Harold Richardsdson of Anna, Illinois; many grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and great-great grandchildren; a sister – Melva Adams of Indianapolis, Indiana; a brother – Ed Moake of Cypress, Illinois; a sister-in-law – Rita Moake of Cypress, Illinois; as well as a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and many dear friends.

In addition to her parents, Sandy was preceded in death by: a son – Robin

Henson in October 2025; 2 brothers – Shirley (Thelma) Moake and Frank Moake; and 2 sisters – Viola Mae Moake and Wanda Fern (Pete) Gulley.

Sandy was a graduate of Vienna High School. Following her graduation, Sandy was employed for four years at Florsheim Shoe Co. in Anna. She then attended and graduated from Beauty College, located in Marion, Illinois. Sandy operated her own beauty shop in Cypress for 2 years. She then began her employment as a beautician at the Empress Beauty Shop in Vienna, where she worked until her retirement in 1997 with 22 years of service.

Sandy was a faithful and devoted Christian. She had a passion for gospel music and was a talented vocalist and pianist. She sang with “Genesis II” and then spent 7 years with the “New Harmony Singers’ from Olmsted, Illinois. Later, Sandy and Bob traveled throughout the region, singing and sharing the gospel through music together.

Sandy and Bob attended Pleasant Ridge Church, north of Vienna, for 18 years. During this time, Sandy served as the church pianist for 15 years. She later served as the pianist at the New Burnside Community Church for 17 years. They then worshipped together at Maple Grove Baptist Church at Perks, Illinois. For the past five years, Sandy has been unable to attend regular church services, due to her declining health.

Sandy enjoyed working in her yard and raising flowers, as long as her health permitted. She was also an avid reader and enjoyed scrapbooking.

A memorial graveside service will be held at a later date. Interment will be in Luther’s Chapel Cemetery, south of Cypress, Illinois.

Memorials may be made to the Heather Harper Treat Memorial Fund, P.O. Box 98, Vienna, Illinois 62995.

Cemetery Details

Luthers Chapel Cemetery

Luthers Chapel Road
Cypress, IL 62923

Events

Details are pending.

Tribute Wall

JS

“ Jennifer Schierbaum lit a candle in memory of Sandra Kay Richardson



jennifer Schierbaum - January 05 at 05:11 PM

LC

“ Very sorry to hear this sad news. Sandy was a very special lady. Praying for your family during this difficult time.

Larry Choate - January 02 at 09:54 AM



“ Tammy Upshaw lit a candle in memory of Sandra Kay Richardson



Tammy Upshaw - January 02 at 12:01 AM

DS

“ Diana Steele lit a candle in memory of Sandra Kay Richardson



Diana Steele - January 01 at 03:28 PM

CH

“ Cheryl Harris lit a candle in memory of Sandra Kay Richardson



Cheryl Harris - January 01 at 01:00 PM

VS

“ Velva Struble lit a candle in memory of Sandra Kay Richardson



Velva Struble - January 01 at 09:58 AM



“ Lori Taylor lit a candle in memory of Sandra Kay Richardson



Lori Taylor - December 31, 2025 at 09:06 PM

VE

“ Vicki Eastwood lit a candle in memory of Sandra Kay Richardson



Vicki Eastwood - December 31, 2025 at 08:09 PM

DM

“ Dear Jack and Bev, we send our thoughts and prayers to you and your family at this time of sorrow, knowing God will give you comfort and peace. In Christian love, Donnie and Jolene Morris

Donnie & Jolene Morris - December 31, 2025 at 07:39 PM

JM

“ Jeannie McCall lit a candle in memory of Sandra Kay Richardson



Jeannie McCall - December 31, 2025 at 07:14 PM

SS

“ Enjoyed singing with Sandy and hearing her sing.wonderful Christian lady Prayers of Peacecomfort for all the family

Sue Steers - December 31, 2025 at 04:47 PM

SL

“ I met Sandy when I worked at the Empress Beauty Salon in Vienna. We were friends after that. Prayers for the family



Steve&Kathy(Whiteside) Lay - December 31, 2025 at 03:41 PM

.D

Sandy was a beautiful person love to hear her sing she will truly be missed may God bless the family and comfort them

. Mary jo Daniel - January 02 at 04:36 PM

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Sandy was God loving person loved her very much

. **Mary jo Daniel** - January 02 at 04:40 PM

JS

“ *John Slack sent a virtual gift in memory of Sandra Kay Richardson*



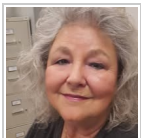
John Slack - December 31, 2025 at 03:30 PM

JD

“ *Jodi Duhon lit a candle in memory of Sandra Kay Richardson*



Jodi Duhon - December 31, 2025 at 02:58 PM



“ *Sheila Merideth lit a candle in memory of Sandra Kay Richardson*



Sheila Merideth - December 31, 2025 at 02:52 PM

DB

“ I am so very sorry for your loss. Praying for comfort and peace for the family.



Dorothy Bacon - December 31, 2025 at 01:30 PM

KB

“ So sorry for your loss. Sandy was a beautiful person, she will be missed.



Kimberly Beasley - December 31, 2025 at 01:25 PM

LK

“ Linda Koehler lit a candle in memory of Sandra Kay Richardson



Linda Koehler - December 31, 2025 at 12:54 PM