



Richard L. Rice

February 27, 1929 - September 16, 2017

Richard L. Rice took his journey home to be with the Lord:
September 16, 2017

Born February 27, 1929 in Middlesboro, Kentucky he was the fourth son of the late Howard Colson and Etta Rice. Upon the tragic loss of his father prior to his birth, his mother eventually remarried Charlie Sutton. With the aftermath of the Great Depression behind them, Richard relocated with his family to Indiana when he was 11. He grew up in the rural farm community of Brookston and graduated from Round Grove H.S.

He then proudly served his country in the US Army. Richard attended barber college and began his first career as a barber before being employed at the Ford Motor Company for 34 years.

At age 25, Richard met his future bride Wanda Perry and thus began their nearly 63 year love story. As Richard described their first meeting, he asked Wanda to dance and "she never let go." Their chance meeting at Indiana Beach led to a four month courtship and their November 28, 1954 wedding.

After 5 years of marriage, Wanda and Richard were blessed with their first son Howard. The family was complete 2 years later after Mark was born.

Richard was devout and steadfast in his faith. His kind spirit would prompt friends and strangers alike to gravitate to him. His love and commitment to family was evident particularly when spending time with his grandchildren.

Richard will be dearly missed by his entire family including; Wife; Wanda, Sons; Howard (Teri) Rice and Mark (Shelly) Rice, Grandchildren; Seth (Kayla) Rice, Tori Rice, Rachel Rice and Colson Rice, Great Granddaughter; Skylar Seaton, Siblings; Dr. Benjamin Rice, David Sutton and Betty Brouwer

Cemetery Details

Oaklawn Memorial Gardens

9700 Allisonville Rd.
Indianapolis, IN

Previous Events

Memorial Visitation

SEP **22**. 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

The Sterrett Center
8950
Indianapolis, IN 46216

Celebration of Life

SEP **22**. 5:30 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Cousin Judy and Claude Hall purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Richard L. Rice.* ”



Cousin Judy and Claude Hall - September 22, 2017 at 11:05 AM



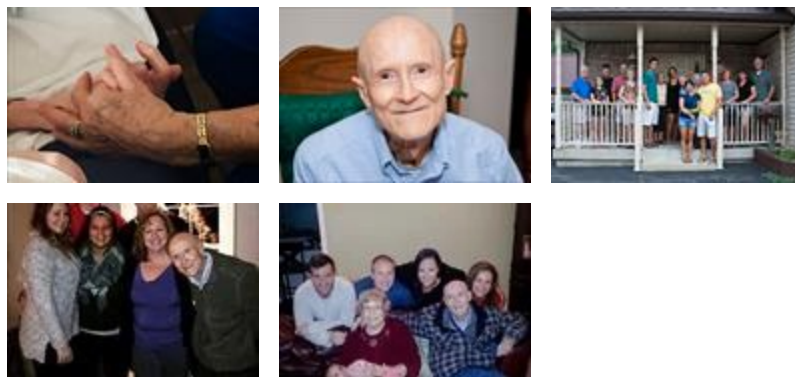
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Shelly Rice - September 21, 2017 at 12:22 AM



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Shelly Rice - September 20, 2017 at 11:32 PM



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Shelly Rice - September 20, 2017 at 10:42 PM



“ *Thinking of you at this time.....Judy Sorrell Stephens*

Judy Sorrell Stephens - September 20, 2017 at 08:06 AM