



## Richard Burke Jr

January 15, 1969 - September 16, 2015

Richard Burke Jr. 46 of Rt. 1 Delbarton passed away Sept. 16, 2015 at his home. He was born Jan. 15, 1969 at Williamson, WV the son of the late Richard Burke. He is survived by his mother, Beckie Marcum Burke of Williamson, WV.

In addition to his father he is preceded in death by grandparents, Ruby M. Brewer and Bessie Burke and sister, Jackie Elkins.

Ricky was retired from the WV Department of Highways as an equipment operator. He recently attended the Regional Church of God where he gave his life to the Lord. He also attended the 20 Whitman Community Church in Logan, WV.

He is survived by his wife, Melissa Burke, one son, the love of his life, Richard Luke Burke, sisters, Bernice White of Williamson, Sharon (Ermal) Vance of Trace Creek, Beverly (Brad) Willis of Myrtle Beach, SC, Tammy (Jay) Thompson of Martinsville, VA, Debra Carter of Columbus, OH, Dorothy (James) Hatfield of Trace Creek, WV, Summer (David) Meade of Milton, WV and Kathy Burke of Myrtle Beach, SC.

Funeral services will be held at the Regional Church of God in Delbarton on Wednesday Sept. 23, 2015 at 2:00pm with Rev. Mitchell Bias and Rev. Joaquine Ooten officiating. Entombment will follow in the Forest Lawn Cemetery at Pecks Mill, WV. Visitation will be at the Church after 6:00pm Tuesday. Online condolences can be made at [ChafinFuneralHome.Com](http://ChafinFuneralHome.Com).



# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP **22**. 6:00 PM (ET)

Chafin Funeral Home  
215 Riverside Drive  
Delbarton, WV 25670  
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## Service

SEP **23**. 2:00 PM (ET)

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## Burial

SEP **23** (ET)

Forest Lawn Cemetery  
Pecks Mill, WV

# Tribute Wall



“ *Richard Burke Jr*

November 21, 2022 at 02:05 PM



“ *I just wanted to say that this man was always a very good friend of my dads-- Orville "Buck" Copley. They worked together for many years at the DOH!! Just wanted to let everyone know that he is praying for the family and Richard will be missed*

**Brandy Copley** - September 23, 2015 at 10:40 AM



“ *Have a lot of good memories of playing ball with you as we grew up in West End. Very glad to hear that you gave your heart to the Lord. Rest in peace, Ricky, we'll meet again someday. Prayers go out for your family and friends.*

**Warren Hairston** - September 23, 2015 at 07:50 AM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Richard Burke Jr.*



September 22, 2015 at 06:41 PM



“ Starbucks Coffee Condolences was purchased for the family of Richard Burke Jr.



September 22, 2015 at 05:34 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Richard Burke Jr.



September 22, 2015 at 02:40 PM



“ Trista-Rj Copley lit a candle in memory of Richard Burke Jr



Trista-Rj Copley - September 22, 2015 at 01:39 PM



“ Such a good person, he will be missed



cammy - September 22, 2015 at 01:23 PM

TA

“ Tammythompson lit a candle in memory of Richard Burke Jr



tammythompson - September 22, 2015 at 09:40 AM

TA

I love you ,until that day we meet again for eternity rip Ricky. 💔

tammythompson - September 22, 2015 at 09:45 AM

SH

“ Shawn H. purchased the Basket of Joy for the family of Richard Burke Jr.



Shawn H. - September 22, 2015 at 09:21 AM

RE

“ Prayers for the entire family. Ricky was a great man an surely will be missed.



Regina - September 22, 2015 at 06:23 AM

SS

“ -Our neighbor of more than 11 yrs.. He was a wonderful neighbor and friend..He.helped the girls and I on several occasions...Prayers of comfort for his family, especially Lukey...--Steph, Karah and Austa

Stephanie Sheppard - September 21, 2015 at 11:51 PM

AJ

“ We got to know Rick about 7 years ago at Tri-River drag way we enjoyed racing with and against him he will be missed by all his racing family. Our thoughts and prayers are with his family we will miss him. Jr. & Angie Jackson.

Angie Jackson - September 21, 2015 at 05:00 PM



“ Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Richard Burke Jr.



September 21, 2015 at 03:11 PM

MH

“ Sending my love and prayers to Ricky's family , especially his son . Ricky was always such a nice person and he will be missed. RIP



Marcia Hundley - September 21, 2015 at 07:13 AM

VS

“ Dotty and Sharon So sorry about Rick He had a heart of gold and a smile to match May the Lord comfort each of you Especially Luke He will need each of you to tell him about what a wonderful Dad he has; Many prayers'



God Bless

Vicky

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**Vicky Sammons** - September 20, 2015 at 09:21 PM

PR

“ Sharon and Dotty, So sorry to hear about Ricky. Love and prayers Paula Rose and Albert.

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**Paula Rose Runyon** - September 20, 2015 at 06:42 PM

MP

“ Sharon and Dotty, I am so sorry to hear of your brothers passing. I will keep you and your family in my prayers. Margie Newsome Parsley

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**Margie Newsome Parsley** - September 20, 2015 at 01:15 PM

WS

“ Rick was one of my closest friends. He was my wilder side growing up. From baseball games during the summer at the church lot to football at the back of the courts and softball field and even some sweet moves on the basketball court in between it all. We were always active and he was the leader of our group lol. When we didn't know what to do for the day we knew Ricky would have a plan. We even carried on some great Atari tournaments and wrestling matches. Each thing he was involved in was always guaranteed to be fun and exciting. Never had a bad day out with Ricky. I will miss your comments and wit and how you would always call me Woodrow. Just know you were more than a friend you were my brother. You will be greatly missed but never ever forgotten. I'm blessed to have known you.

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**woody smith** - September 20, 2015 at 01:08 PM

GY

“ I've known him for a long time but haven't seen him in years, he was always good to me. RIP old friend God has gained other angel

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**george young** - September 20, 2015 at 10:40 AM

JM

*Ricky you were someone who never met a stranger,I was blessed to know you and sadden when I found out you had died,You left your mark on this earth from all the friends you made and who respected you,You will be sadly missed by your son and all of your friends who thought the world of you,Rest in Peace Ricky,Jerry Marcum*

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**Jerry Marcum** - September 21, 2015 at 12:26 PM



“ You will truly be missed - such an awesome guy, always friendly with everyone, loved his friends and people in general. He was always talking about his little boy- you could tell the love he had for him. His death brings such sadness to so many. Prayers for the family. May God help each of you though these sadden times that you will find strength that you need , especially his little buddy ( his son). May you rest in peace Burt - you were a true friend and an awesome person.

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**Sandra Marcum** - September 19, 2015 at 10:32 PM



*Gary and Sandra Marcum sent previous post.*

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**Sandra Marcum** - September 19, 2015 at 10:33 PM

DP

*Sorry to hear this, Rick was. Great man, had a lot of good times at tri river drag strip he was family too all of us*

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**donald paulson.** - September 20, 2015 at 02:44 PM

MA

*Melissa, son, Beckie, Sisters, and the entire family of Richard's (Ricky): We are sharing in your sorrow with deepest sympathy. At this time, when words seem so inadequate, rest assured you can count on the caring support of friends to see you through these days ahead.*

*Your family is in our thoughts and prayers.*

*Love,*

*Charlie & Martha Willis - Reidsville, NC*

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**Martha** - September 21, 2015 at 01:22 PM