



Richard David Harris

September 25, 2022

Selma, NC / Big Stone Gap, VA

Richard David Harris "Rick" age 70, of Selma, NC, entered into the presence of his Lord and Savior Jesus Christ on Sunday, September 25, at the SECU Hospice House in Smithfield, NC.

Rick was born in New York, NY, the son of the late William and Nellie (Cole) Harris. He was one of four children. He lived in eastern North Carolina the majority of his adult life. Rick was a gifted craftsman, working as a carpenter, woodworker, and in all facets of construction. He loved his Lord, his family, his friends, and his black labs who were his constant companions. Rick was a dedicated member of The Light of Christ in Smithfield, NC. There is no area in the church that he has not touched as a finish carpenter or as a gifted musician playing and singing on the Worship Team and composing original songs of praise and worship.

In addition to his parents, Rick was preceded in death by his niece, Jannell Andrade.

He is survived by his sisters Deanna and husband Al Pianalto of Chester, VA and Jan Morello of Chesapeake, VA, his brother Randy Harris of Apex, NC, nephews Robert Andrade of Yorktown, VA, John Morello of Bothell, WA,

Nicholas Morello of Yucca Valley, CA, and a niece, Jacqueline Andrade of Austin, TX, and close friends.

The family will receive friends on Thursday, September 29th at 1:00 p.m. in Riverview Cemetery in East Stone Gap, VA for a graveside service officiated by Elder Phil Beaumont from The Light of Christ, Smithfield, NC. Family and friends will serve as pallbearers.

You may go online to view the obituary, sign the guest registry, or leave the family a condolence at www.holdingfuneralhome.com

Holding Funeral Home is serving the family of Mr. Richard Harris.

Cemetery Details

Riverview Cemetery

East Stone Gap Road
East Stone Gap, VA 24246

Previous Events

Graveside Service

SEP **29**. 1:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Richard David Harris*

October 07, 2023 at 10:50 AM



“ *Rick was my stepfather from 1983-1989 starting when I was 11 years old. He was a present father figure for me during this time, something I had not fully experienced prior.*

Rick showed me how to fix my bike, build and use tools, and he was a fixture at all my baseball games. And although sports was not his thing, Rick took the time to play catch, shoot basketball, and believe it or not, he would even go on runs with me.

I spoke by phone to Rick off and on over the last couple years after nearly 30 years of no contact. There was a lot of water under the bridge after he and my mother divorced. We addressed some of it the best we could. Some of it we left unspoken. It just seemed easier that way.

Around Fathers Day 2021, we happened to be speaking and I told him that I appreciated the positive role he played in my life as I grew up. I meant it and he seemed to welcome the words.

I wish Rick the very best on the other side of this life. While our lives took very different paths, we are bound together by a shared past, and for that I am grateful.

Rest easy, Rick.

Brian Lewis - October 03, 2022 at 02:07 PM

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“ We remember Rick was a fantastic guitar player who loved his family & loved serving the Lord. Rick & Darrell enjoyed sitting out on Babaw's porch, singing & playing their guitars. Love & prayers,
Darrell & Doris

Darrell & Doris Stapleton (Rick' cousin) - September 28, 2022 at 07:16 PM