



Richard Carter

June 7, 1938 - October 21, 2016

Richard Carter, 78, of Humansville, MO passed away Friday, October 21, 2016 at Citizens' Memorial Hospital in Bolivar, MO.

Richard was born June 7, 1938 in Riverside, California to Lloyd and Maybelle Carter. As a young man, Richard was drawn to the waves of the West Coast, and the world was his oyster. He enjoyed surfing, and even earned honors for swimming.

Richard served his country proudly as a member of the United States Air Force, volunteering to serve as a chaplain's assistant.

Richard spent his life giving to others, whether through his work with the Boy Scouts of America, his time at the U.S. Department of Education, or working with the homeless in Kansas City. His work earned him a title he was most proud of, Honorary Texan. He also enjoyed his yearly occupation as the Santa Claus of Crown Center in Kansas City.

Richard was a talented vocalist, and performed in many shows in Kansas City. Having earned his degree in vocal performance, he was a gifted opera singer, and took every chance he had to bring his own special music into the world.

As he aged, Richard was not one to let life slip away. He made sure he stayed up to date on all the newest technology, frequently showing his skills with his iPad.

Richard's spark was one that lit the whole world around him, and he will be dearly missed.

Richard is survived by his loving husband, Richard Page, his sons, Chris Carter, Wes Carter, and Dan Carter, as well as his daughter, Janet Carter.

The family of Richard Carter will hold a private memorial service in honor of Richard at the home of Wes and Jody Carter at 406 McKenzie Place, Rockwall, TX, Sunday October 30 at 1 PM.

Tribute Wall



“ *Richard Carter*

October 05, 2023 at 05:18 AM



“ *Richard Carter*

January 26, 2023 at 04:15 PM



“ *I knew Dick for a few years in the early 2000's, until my retirement in 2004. I found him to be a wonderful man who was so open to others and so giving of himself. Believe me, the world is a better place for him being among us. My condolences to Rick and the family.*

Bob Kennedy - November 28, 2016 at 04:39 PM



“ *Dad/Grandpa Carter you will be so missed. I remember all the holidays we would share and how excited you always were when another great grand kid was born. I love that you were able to marry 2 of our kids and how special that made their day. You were one jolly good fellow and nothing slowed you down.*

Jody Carter - October 30, 2016 at 08:06 PM



“ *Dick was such a sweet and jolly fellow, truly like Santa! He made the world a better place and he will be missed.*

Willy Marshall - October 28, 2016 at 08:38 PM

CM

“ Chris, your dad was a super sweet man, I know that he will be missed by all that loved him. Our love to you, Amanda and the kids.

The Marett's

Carla Marett - October 27, 2016 at 07:56 AM

 Sherri Page

“ You were adopted uncle. We spent many fun trips across country. I love ya and you will be greatly missed. Deep sympathy and happy memories of you always.

Sherri Page - October 27, 2016 at 07:33 AM

IR

“ Rick,
I'm so sorry to hear of Richard's passing. I always appreciated him checking in with me to see how our travels were going. You and the family will be in our prayers. Blessings and peace in this difficult time.

Ira and Andrea Brown

Ira - October 26, 2016 at 11:45 PM

GM

Love u all , sending prayers. Wish I could be with you for this celebration of grandpas life I really thought he was a great guy . Love mom

glenda martin - October 27, 2016 at 01:44 PM



“ We are so terribly sad that Dick is gone. He may have been paid to play Santa Claus during the holidays but he embodied the spirit of joy and generosity all year long. Our children grew up knowing that Dick and Rick were part of our extended family. Later our grandson, Jackson, met Dick and was introduced to him as Santa Claus. It was in August, so the story was believable. That very next Christmas we took him to Crown Center to see Dick. While in line Dick saw us and called out Jackson's name. All the children in line were startled to realize that Santa really knew each one of them by name.

We share in your sorrow and send all our love to Rick and the family.

Kit Bardwell (neighbors from 1979 - 1992)

Kit Bardwell - October 26, 2016 at 11:18 AM

RP

What a wonderful memory. I love you guys. Rick

Richard Page - October 26, 2016 at 10:26 PM



Kit's message evokes such warm memories for me as well. I recall meeting Dick within just a few days of becoming neighbors in Kansas City and it taking no time at all to get to know him. He and Rick were very much a part of our family and I will truly miss him. Michael Harrison

Michael Harrison - October 29, 2016 at 03:49 PM

MP

“ *Phil and I meet dick and rick online. It was the greatest meeting. They are the reason we got married. We loved them both from the second we meet them. Pls. Accept our most sincere condolences. He will be greatly missed. Hugs and love. Phil and mark*

Mark and phil - October 26, 2016 at 07:33 AM

BR

“ *Grandpa would always send me sweet messages on Facebook to let me me know he was thinking about me. Those messages always had a way of perking me up and putting a smile on my face. I miss you so much Grandpa Carter. Until we meet again, Braxton.*

Braxton - October 26, 2016 at 07:20 AM