



## Richard Graves

May 9, 1955 - August 1, 2016

Richard "Dick" Graves, 61, of Dunnegan, Mo., died August 1, 2016 at CMHCF in Bolivar, Mo., after battling cancer. He was the son of Curtis and Ruth Graves, of Fair Play, Mo. Richard was born May 9, 1955 in Ventura, California, the third youngest child of seven children. His family moved to Missouri in 1962 to a farm northeast of Fair Play.

In his younger years, Dick worked at the lumberyards in Bolivar and Ozark. He worked several years at the Ozark Box Company in Humansville. He spent over 10 years working for Cedar County Road & Bridge until retiring in 2012 due to health reasons.

Dick enjoyed fishing and classic cars. He spent many hours fishing with his nephews.

Dick is preceded in death by his parents, Curtis and Ruth, and an infant sister. He is survived by his son, Jeffrey Graves; three brothers, Larry Graves and wife Janette of Fair Play, Harry Graves and wife Shelly of Humansville, and Russell Graves and wife Lori of Dunnegan; two sister, Linda Lahmon of Fair Play and Joyce Dennis and husband Michael of Fair Play; as well as many nieces and nephews.

Pallbearers for Richard include Larry Graves, Harry Graves, Russell Graves, Brad Graves, Roger York, and Michael Dennis. Officiating will be Rev. David Stunkel.

Services will be at 10 AM at Butler Funeral Home on Thursday, August 4 with visitation Wednesday evening from 5-7 at Butler Funeral Home. His final

resting place will be New Bethel Cemetery.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG 3. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Butler Funeral Home - Bolivar  
407 E. Broadway  
Bolivar, MO 65613  
(417) 326-5233  
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## Funeral Service

AUG 4. 10:00 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Richard Graves*

October 05, 2023 at 05:18 AM



“ *Richard Graves*

January 26, 2023 at 04:15 PM



“ *So sorry to hear of the passing of an old friend and classmate.*

**dave hughes** - August 09, 2016 at 10:54 AM



“ *Barbara Kittinger lit a candle in memory of  
Richard Graves*



**Barbara Kittinger** - August 04, 2016 at 07:49 AM



*Eternal rest and God's peace.*

**Barbara Kittinger** - August 04, 2016 at 07:51 AM

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“ Philip and Sandra Gordon and Christopher Graves purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Richard Graves.



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**Philip and Sandra Gordon and Christopher Graves** - August 03, 2016 at 02:51 PM

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“ The Marttila family: Gerry, Rhonda, Robbin, Ryan purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Richard Graves.



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**The Marttila family: Gerry, Rhonda, Robbin, Ryan** - August 02, 2016 at 07:14 PM

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“ To all the family our hearts break for you. May the Lord wrap his arms around all of you and help you through this trying time. We know he is with the Lord in heaven right now and laughing and praising Jesus. Our prayers are with all of you and know that he always held a special place in our hearts. I remember when Ed and I invited him to come and spend a week with us at Christmas so he could have Christmas with Jeffrey and with us as a family. We had a great time and so glad that he felt comfortable being with us and sharing Christmas with us. May the Lord bless and keep you all.  
Sincerely,  
Elaine & Ed Cler

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**Elaine Cler** - August 02, 2016 at 03:48 PM

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“ Dad,  
I want you to know that I love you so much. If I could be there I would be there for you. You were the best dad in the whole world and I thank God every single day for blessing me. I will always have my wonderful childhood memories and will cherish them forever. I know the day will come when we meet on the other side. This is not goodbye, this is I will miss you so much as you won't be here in the flesh but you will always be with me in my heart. Until we meet again just always know that I love you with all my heart and if I could have chose who my dad would be I would have chosen you.  
Dad, no more pain, no more sorrow just wonderful times with our savior Jesus Christ.  
I love you, Dad.  
Your son,  
Jeffrey

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**Elaine Cler** - August 02, 2016 at 03:43 PM



Brandi Graves

*Elaine, please tell Jeff that I'm so sorry he isn't able to make it down, and I am SSSOOO sorry for his loss!!!!  
Love,  
Brandi Graves*

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**Brandi Graves** - August 03, 2016 at 05:09 PM

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“ My sincerest condolences to each member of the Graves family in the loss of your loved one, Richard. I went to school with member's of the family & always enjoyed my association with all of you and I held a great respect for your parent's. Again, my sincere and genuine condolences. May God, in His infinite wisdom and mercy, bless and comfort each one of you in the day's to follow.



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**Fredrick Junior Underwood** - August 01, 2016 at 10:23 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Richard Graves.*



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August 01, 2016 at 09:43 PM



“ *My family is so sorry to hear of Dick's passing. He will be greatly missed. He was a good friend. We are sending our deepest condolences and prayers of comfort and peace to his family.*  
*The Marttila family*



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**Rhonda Marttila** - August 01, 2016 at 09:35 PM



“ *Rhonda Marttila lit a candle in memory of Richard Graves*



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**Rhonda Marttila** - August 01, 2016 at 09:26 PM



“ *J.R. KELLEY lit a candle in memory of Richard Graves*



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**J.R. KELLEY** - August 01, 2016 at 05:48 PM