



Richard Keith Burns

July 12, 1952 - December 15, 2020

On December 15th, 2020 Richard Burns, loving husband and father of four, passed away at the age of 68. He passed peacefully at home with his family by his side.

Richard was born in Little Rock, Arkansas July 12th, 1952 and spent his childhood in El Dorado, Arkansas. He attended college at Ouachita Baptist University and earned a degree in Business. He later studied early childhood education. On May 31st, 1975, he married the love of his life, Belinda Kelly. They raised three sons, Ragan, Chad, and Jared, and one daughter, Mallory. They made a home in Juneau, Alaska for over 20 years before moving back to Arkansas. Richard was an entrepreneur owning his own men's clothing store. He was a school administrator at Juneau Christian School for 12 years, a commercial construction project manager, and a top sales associate for Clayton Homes.

He was known for his dry sense of humor and sarcastic, quick wit. He was full of no-nonsense, perfectly timed wisdom that he gave frequently to his four children, their spouses, grandchildren, friends and anyone who walked through his door needing guidance or simply someone to talk to. He loved playing the organ and was on the church praise and worship team for many years.

He is preceded in death by his mother Charlene, his father Otis, and his stepmother Jeanette. He leaves behind Belinda, his adoring “babe” of 45 years. Their marriage was a model of love, perseverance, and plenty of laughter. His son Ragan, his wife Shanna, their son Asher. His son Chad, his wife Heather, their sons Hunter and Carter. His son Jared and wife Allie. His daughter Mallory, her husband David, their children Caleb, Noah, and Hannah. His sister Cheryl, her son, David, daughter, Aimee, his sister Medra, her son Ty and family, and his sister Mary and family. He leaves behind a legacy of Godly wisdom, prayer, and never-ending, unconditional love. He loved us well and will be greatly missed.

A celebration of his wonderful life will be held on December 30th. Visitation will be at 1:00 p.m. followed by the service at 2:00 p.m. at First Baptist Church, Searcy, Arkansas.

Richard’s family can be contacted at 2309 Orleans Place, Searcy, AR. In memory of Richard, donations can be made to the student ministry scholarship fund at First Baptist Church in Searcy. www.powellfuneralhome.net.

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 30. 1:00 PM (CT)

First Baptist Church, Searcy
Spring & Center Sts.
Searcy, AR 72143

Celebration of Life

DEC 30. 2:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Richard Keith Burns.*



December 30, 2020 at 01:35 PM



“ *Every Monday morning Richard always brought me Starbucks at work and it always brightened my day! He was my rock during a rough time in my life and he will never leave my heart! Prayers for the family. Love you Richard*

Terri Holowell - December 30, 2020 at 01:33 PM



“ *Heavenly Grace Spray was purchased for the family of Richard Keith Burns.*



December 29, 2020 at 09:56 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Richard Keith Burns.*



December 29, 2020 at 03:20 PM



“ *Large Basket Garden was purchased for the family of Richard Keith Burns.*



December 29, 2020 at 10:35 AM



“ *James and Marylan Kelly purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Richard Keith Burns.*



James and Marylan Kelly - December 28, 2020 at 12:16 PM



“ *Love Rick and Pam Correa purchased the Fairest of All for the family of Richard Keith Burns.*



Love Rick and Pam Correa - December 28, 2020 at 11:34 AM



“ *Sacred Duty Spray was purchased for the family of Richard Keith Burns.*



December 27, 2020 at 03:14 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Richard Keith Burns.*



December 26, 2020 at 05:33 PM



“ *Will miss sitting with he and Belinda at church. Praying for Belinda and Family.*

Gwen Anderson - December 25, 2020 at 07:36 PM



“ *Basket Full of Wishes was purchased for the family of Richard Keith Burns.*



December 24, 2020 at 04:26 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Richard Keith Burns.*



December 19, 2020 at 01:50 PM

SG

“ Ricky lived across the street from us growing up in El Dorado on Harold Ellen Street. So many memories of childhood came flooding back. My brother was his age & we all spent many hours playing in the neighborhood. We even burned down his dad’s tool shed in their back yard! I worked at Murphy Oil with Otis and up until his death, he would call me at least once a year to check up on my mom & other old neighbors. He would always update me on Ricky & Cheryl. Prayers for the family. Sharolyn Cheatham Givens.

Sharolyn Cheatham Givens - December 18, 2020 at 07:20 AM

RW

“ Fondly remembered. Our children went to school there and I taught art at Juneau Christian School for a short while, and of course saw him every Sunday in church and remember his perpetual smile and gentle spirit.

Ross and Devita Writer - December 18, 2020 at 02:00 AM



“ Delightful Dieffenbachia was purchased for the family of Richard Keith Burns.



December 17, 2020 at 09:11 PM

BK

“ *What I remember most about Richard was his great, dry sense of humor. Usually he could keep a straight face but not always. He could change the mood of a room with the twitch of an eyebrow. He often had me laughing, which is saying something. In fact, I never laughed harder.*



I will also remember him for the love he showed my sister, Belinda, through their years of marriage. He was someone I could trust with my sister's happiness, from the first time I met him. Even more impressive, he was able to convince Kim, our little sister, that she could share Belinda with him. He also loved my mother and father, generous and always ready to help. We will all miss him. Billy

Billy Kelly - December 17, 2020 at 07:57 PM