



## Richard Charles Mabrey

June 5, 1948 - April 24, 2019

Richard Charles Mabrey, son of the late Charles Page and Rosemary (Vaught) Mabrey, was born June 5, 1948 in Topeka, Kansas. He passed away Wednesday, April 24, 2019 in the Lake Regional Hospital of Osage Beach, Missouri having attained the age of 70 years.

Richard grew up in the Gardner, Kansas area where he attended school. At the age of 17, Richard entered the United States Army and served his country faithfully with the 7th Infantry 32nd Division until his medical discharge in 1971. He was very proud of his military service.

After his discharge from the military, Richard moved to Minnesota for a few years where he owned and operated a couple of gas stations. He later returned to Kansas where he did some farming and owned and operated a few businesses. In 2000, Richard retired and moved to the Lake Ozark area where he was able to do more of the things he enjoyed.

Richard loved being on the lake and enjoyed boating, skydiving, traveling, riding Harley Davidsons and the great outdoors. He was a ham radio operator and liked to work on cars. He was also very talented musically. He played guitar with a few of the bands that had played at his ET's Private Club in Edgerton, KS. Richard was a lifetime member of the American Legion and the Disabled American Veterans.

On June 16, 2012, Richard was united in marriage to Debbie Diane Knowles in Sunrise Beach, Missouri. They shared over six years of marriage together and ten years of wonderful memories.

Richard leaves to cherish his memory, his wife, Debbie of the home; five children, Michael Mabrey of Edgerton, KS, David Mabrey of Salina, KS, Brad Hontz (Jessica) of Olathe, KS, Michelle Kenyon of North Kansas City, MO, and Ashley Thornbrugh (T.J.) of Shawnee, KS; ten grandchildren, Makenzie, Dylan, Haley, Caleb, Kylee, Austin, Courtney, Cameron, Colton, and Charleigh; his sister, Susan Wallace (Raymond) Collierville, TN; two nephews; his two canine companions, Bugs and Gizmo; as well as a host of other relatives and friends.

In addition to his parents, Richard was preceded in death by one daughter: Laurie Elaine Mabrey.

Funeral services were held at 1:00 p.m. Wednesday, May 1, 2019 in the Memorial Chapels and Crematory of Waynesville / St. Robert with Chaplain (CPT) Lelys Miller officiating. The songs "One Hell of an Amen" by Brantley Gilbert, "Stuck with You" by Huey Lewis, "Live Like You Were Dying" by Tim McGraw and "Jealous of the Angels" by Donna Taggart were played. Serving as escorts were Rob Laquet, David Holy, Raymond Wallace, Steve Walsh, Rick Pierson and Jason Mullins. Serving as honorary escort was David Martin. Burial with military honors followed in the Missouri Veterans Cemetery of Waynesville. Military honors were provided by the United States Army of Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri.

Memorial contributions may be made in memory of Richard Mabrey and may be left at the funeral home.



# Cemetery Details

## Missouri Veterans Cemetery - Fort Leonard Wood

25350 Hwy H  
Waynesville, MO 65583

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY 1. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Memorial Chapels and Crematory of Waynesville/St. Robert  
202 Historic 66 W.  
Waynesville, MO 65583  
(573) 774-6111  
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## Service

MAY 1. 1:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Richard Charles Mabrey*

January 28, 2023 at 06:53 AM



“ *Michelle Hastings lit a candle in memory of Richard Charles Mabrey*



Michelle Hastings - May 01, 2019 at 05:59 AM



“ *After my own father passed Rick became someone I looked up to as a father figure he became a big part of my life. We had many great times traveling I was his limo driver and we went anywhere he wanted walmart, taco bell, the mall, Tennessee, etc. I'm so honored to of had you in my life fly high Sgt Major u are now with your baby girl..* 💙💙💙💙

Michelle Hastings - May 01, 2019 at 05:57 AM



“ 63 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



**Memorial Chapels and Crematory** - April 30, 2019 at 10:54 AM



“ *Jimmie Hontz Jr. lit a candle in memory of Richard Charles Mabrey*



**Jimmie Hontz Jr.** - April 27, 2019 at 08:56 AM



“ *Larry Robbins lit a candle in memory of Richard Charles Mabrey*



**Larry Robbins** - April 26, 2019 at 11:04 PM

MH

“ Rick lived life fully...the suddenness of his passing is still confounding. We were blessed to know Rick and send our hopes and prayers to Debbie and family as you make your way through this time of grief.

*Melinda & Brad Huseman*

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**Melinda and Brad Huseman** - April 26, 2019 at 08:58 PM

LR

“ So sorry for your loss Debbie!



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**Larry Robbind** - April 26, 2019 at 08:40 PM

AR

“ So very sorry to hear about the loss of Richard to his family and so many friends. Prayers be with Debbie and his family. Alan Robbins

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**Alan Robbins** - April 26, 2019 at 08:26 PM

MC

“ In Memory of Rick & in Honor of his Military Service! My Sincere Condolences to Debbie & the Family. Mary Cornell



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**Mary Cornell** - April 26, 2019 at 12:42 PM

PG

“ Pulaski County Camp Gideons lit a candle in memory of Richard Charles Mabrey



Pulaski County Camp Gideons - April 26, 2019 at 09:33 AM

LS

Debbie will miss you Rick she loved you .

Linda Spear - April 26, 2019 at 12:45 PM

AL

We will miss you Rick, the Luecks.

Art & Frances Lueck - April 27, 2019 at 10:09 PM