



Richard Lee Quick Sr.

June 1, 1933 - September 22, 2012

Richard Lee Quick, Sr. son of the late Clinton and Helen (Whalen) Quick, Sr., was born June 1, 1933 in Rockford, Illinois. He passed away Saturday, September 22, 2012 in the Missouri Veteran's Home of St. James, Missouri at the age of 79.

Richard grew up in Illinois and Wisconsin. He received his GED before entering the US Army. He proudly served his country as a soldier for 21 years. While serving overseas, Richard met the love of his life Edith Klara (Pfenning) in Ulm, Germany. On December 1, 1955 the two were united in marriage. Richard and Edith shared over 56 years of wonderful memories and were blessed with seven children.

Richard was a decorated combat veteran of Korea and Vietnam. He achieved the rank of Master Sergeant. His military achievements consisted of the Bronze Star Medal, Vietnam Service Medal, Good Conduct Medal (5th Award), Army Commendations Medals, Navy Occupation Service Medal with Oak Leaf Cluster, Army of Occupation Medal (Germany), Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal with 60 dev, and Combat Infantry Badge. Richard served in Germany, Korea, and Vietnam. Richard was honorably retired from the Army at Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri.

After retiring from the Army, Richard owned and operated Sands Upholstery in

St. Robert, Missouri. While running his business and raising his family, Richard earned an associates degree in May 1978 and continued his education by graduating from Drury College with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Sociology with cum laude honors.

Richard put his sociology degree to work serving the community. He was employed by the state of Missouri as a social worker in the Division of Family Services for 12 years before retiring in 1992.

Retirement was an exciting time for Richard. Richard and Edith spent a lot of their time traveling around the United States and Europe to visit family and friends. He enjoyed reading (especially historical topics) and exercising with his wife at Davidson Fitness Center. Richard was a very skilled woodworker and completed many projects for his family. He loved to sit with Edith and watch all sorts of wildlife and sunsets from their porch. Richard also enjoyed a good game of cards, painting, and singing. He was a very loving man who instilled a great work ethic and moral into his children. Family was what mattered most to him.

Richard was preceded in death by his parents; two sisters: Edith Schober and Vivian Cicchetti; and one brother: Clinton Quick, Jr.

Richard is survived by his wife, Edith K. Quick; seven children: Richard L. Quick, Jr. (Tess) of Santee, CA, Lee R. Quick of Burlington, VT, Robert D. Quick of Columbia, MO, David J. Quick of New Orleans, LA, Sylvia K. Dees (Mike) of Rolla, MO, Charles D. Quick (Ginger) of Germany, and Becky M. Doss (Kevin) of Manchester, MO; sixteen grandchildren; one great-grandchild; and many other family and friends.

Richard never met a stranger and always greeted them with a kind word and a "sweet" smile. He had an amazing wit and loved to talk about almost anything.

Richard will be greatly missed by all that knew and loved him.

Cemetery Details

Sunset Memorial Estates Cemetery

Highway 17 South
Waynesville, MO 65583
(573) 774-6111
memorialchapels@embarqmail.com

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **26**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Memorial Chapels and Crematory of Waynesville/St. Robert
202 Historic 66 W.
Waynesville, MO 65583
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Service

SEP **27**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Memorial Chapels and Crematory created a Tribute Video in memory of Richard Lee Quick Sr.*



Memorial Chapels and Crematory - September 22, 2012 at 12:00 AM

WK

“ *I'm late here as I just saw this. I looked Sgt. Quick up and found him here. Sgt. Quick was my Drill Sgt. at Ft. Leonard Wood in 1962 during basic training. I was 17 and just out of high school. I always respected and admired him. I know he is missed. God bless.*
Wayne Knowles
Tulsa, OK

Wayne Knowles - January 21, 2025 at 03:20 AM

SD

“ *Miss you more everyday day.....*



Sylvia K. Dees - March 27, 2023 at 04:11 PM



“ *Richard Lee Quick Sr.*

January 28, 2023 at 06:53 AM

RD

“ *Uncle Richard was and is my favorite uncle. He was fun and funny to be around and I always looked forward to seeing him when you came home on leave.. He is missed very much... Dad and Uncle Richard were two my favorite people and I miss them both..*



Raida Davis - March 22, 2014 at 12:19 AM



“ *Dorothy Brown lit a candle in memory of Richard Lee Quick Sr.*



Dorothy brown - October 05, 2012 at 10:04 AM



I am so sorry to hear of the passing of Richard. Richard always brought a smile to my face....He always wanted his hugs and then would give me a mint LOL. He loved my smiley face on his receipt. It made me happy to make him smile! God gained another angel...R.I.P my dear friend!

Dorothy brown - October 05, 2012 at 10:07 AM

SC

“ *Steven L. Combs lit a candle in memory of Richard Lee Quick Sr.*



Steven L. Combs - September 28, 2012 at 08:48 AM

KA

“ *Sylvia,
You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers. Your dad is among the angels now and knows no more pain or suffering. God bless you and your family.*
Karen

Karen - September 27, 2012 at 02:03 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Richard Lee Quick Sr..*



September 26, 2012 at 08:06 AM

GB

“ *Edith and family,*

I am so sorry to hear about Richard's death. I have fond memories of him when he worked at DFS. I will have you in my thoughts and prayers.

Glenda Blanchard

Glenda Blanchard - September 25, 2012 at 07:47 PM

TD

“ *Tammy (Cox) Downs sent a virtual gift in memory of Richard Lee Quick Sr.*



Tammy (Cox) Downs - September 25, 2012 at 03:49 PM

TD

I am so sorry to hear of the loss of your father. I had the opportunity to sit and talk with him one afternoon when I still lived in Waynesville (about 20 yrs ago) and found him to be a such a kind and caring person. I wish your family all the best. May God bless each of you.

*Most sincerely
A former "neighbor"
Tammy (Cox) Downs
Jefferson City, MO*

Tammy (Cox) Downs - September 25, 2012 at 03:52 PM

CQ

*Tammy,
Thank you for the kind words regarding my dad. What you got to experience on occassion is what we got to live with.
His greatest gift was the ability to make people smile and his main desire was to have people be kind to one another. It's nice to know he passed it along through the community as well as at home.
Chuck*

Charles Daniel Quick - October 10, 2012 at 12:29 AM



I have just learned of Sergeant Quick's death. I met and learned from him during our wartime service in Vietnam in 1969. He was a Master Sergeant then and I was 20 year-old Specialist Fourth Class. I worked directly for MSG Otis Smith but we all worked together in what was called the 2-3 shop: two staff sections, the intelligence section (S2) and Battalion Operations section (S3) shared our working quarters. The two sergeants ran a tight operations and during alerts, they would make sure we were in our defensive positions with everything we needed. I have often thought of Sergeant Quick over these past 50 years. Richard was a great soldier and a fine man. May he rest in peace.

*Preston C. Rodrigue
LTC(R), United States Army
LaPlace, LA*

Preston Rodrigue - April 10, 2021 at 02:32 PM

DB

“ I was very sad to hear of your father's passing. I will never forget his kindness from the first time I met him and a quick wave whenever he drove past my house.

He will be in my prayers and may God comfort you all through this tough time.

Debbie Basford

Debbie Basford - September 25, 2012 at 08:02 AM

BC

“ So sorry for your loss. I met Richard when he worked for DFS, he was one of the kindest and caring people I ever met. Sincerely, Beth Campbell

Beth Campbell - September 24, 2012 at 03:35 PM