



## Charles William Ritchie

May 25, 1938 - August 20, 2013

Surrounded by his family, Charles William Ritchie, 75, passed away Tuesday, August 20, 2013, at Frankfort Regional Medical Center.

Funeral services for Mr. Ritchie will be held at 1:00 p.m. Saturday, August 24, 2013, at Harrod Brothers Funeral Home. His son-in-law, Jonathan Shepherd, will officiate. Burial will follow in Peaks Mill Cemetery. Visitation will be at the funeral home Friday from 5:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m.

He was born May 25, 1938, in Jefferson County, Kentucky and was reared in West Point, Kentucky. Mr. Ritchie was a veteran of the Army National Guard proudly serving his country during the Vietnam War. He was a civil engineer and retired from the Department of Environmental Protection, Kentucky State Government. Mr. Ritchie was a member of the American Society of Civil Engineers.

He is survived by his wife of 47 years, Louise Goad Ritchie; a son, Craig Coleman Ritchie; a daughter, Claire Ritchie Shepherd (Jonathan); two grandsons, Charles Conor and Elijah Jonathan Shepherd; and two brothers, Robert Coleman Ritchie (Iva) and Gordon McCallum Ritchie (Bonnie). His parents, William Coleman and Minnie McCallum Ritchie preceded him in death.

In lieu of flowers, expressions of sympathy are suggested to Wounded Warrior Project, PO Box 758517, Topeka, KS 66675.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Charles William Ritchie*

October 06, 2023 at 03:15 PM



“ *Dear Ritchie family, please accept my sincere sympathy. May you look forward to the time when the Bible says that "(God) will wipe out every tear from their eyes, and death will be no more, neither will morning nor outcry nor pain be anymore. The former things have passed away" (Revelation 21:4). I hope that this promise and loving memories bring you comfort.*

**Williams family** - August 23, 2013 at 09:40 PM



“ *Claire, I am so sorry. Sending prayers to you and your family.*

**Shannon Hall Enciso** - August 23, 2013 at 09:04 PM



“ *Sorry to hear of Charles' passing on. He had a good long life. Talked to him recently but wished we could've seen him and his brothers and their families.*

**Jane Arthur and Kathy Long** - August 23, 2013 at 06:56 PM



“ *Claire,*

*I am so sorry to hear of the loss of your father. I remember him well from our childhood. I will keep you and yours in thoughts and prayers.*

**Stacy Warfield** - August 23, 2013 at 02:35 PM

DS

“ Claire,

*I am sorry for the loss for you and your family. You are in our thoughts.*

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**Doug Sutton** - August 23, 2013 at 02:23 PM

MR

“ *My dearest Claire and family, I would like to extend my condolences for one of the greatest men that I have ever known. My heart is heavy and broken for you all, today. Mr. Ritchie was loving, dedicated, loyal and absolutely hilarious. He will be missed by many. I send my love to you all and wrap my arms around you in hopes of bringing comfort. I wish I could be there physically but, we moved to Florida about a month ago. I love and miss you all.*

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**Michelle Cameron Rider** - August 23, 2013 at 02:05 PM

MJ

“ *Claire I am so sorry for your loss. May God comfort you and your family as you mourn his absence.*

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**Mindy Stewart Jacobs** - August 23, 2013 at 01:51 PM

TW

“ *Claire, I am so sorry to hear of your father's passing. I can't make visitation tonight, but I wanted to send my condolences. My prayers and thoughts are with you and your family at this time. Please take care of yourself, Tiffany*

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**Tiffany Reynolds Welch** - August 23, 2013 at 12:41 PM

TK

“ I worked from 1980 to 2003 for Environmental Protection--Water. Charlie was my Waste Management colleague. My condolence to his family!

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**Timothy Kuryla** - August 23, 2013 at 11:21 AM

RM

“ Charlie was a memorable guy. I was telling a story Monday about a field trip to Allen County several years ago. I considered Charlie a true friend. He will be missed.

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**Robbie McGuffey** - August 23, 2013 at 09:50 AM

CG

“ I began working with Charlie in 1974 at what is now (or was) the Wilkinson Street School. We were both working for Human Resources and what I remember from then was his laugh. Fast forward to 1990 and I returned to state government in the Division of Waste Management; and who should pop up but Charlie! We renewed our friendship and everytime I visited his office he talked about his children and their accomplishments. On Dec. 13, 1996 my daughter that I'd given up for adoption found me and the following Monday as I walked through the office spreading the word, feeling like I was walking three feet off the ground, Charlie congratulated me on my good fortune. The next day he handed me a card that said "It's a girl" as if I'd just given birth, and in a way he was right. Staci was 26 then and she will be 43 a month from today; I am blessed. Charlie was endearing, passionate about his work, and a hard worker with many interests. I will miss him - he was a large man, in personality and physical presence. He won't be forgotten.  
Cathy

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**Cathy Guess** - August 23, 2013 at 08:33 AM

MM

“ Craig and family, as many have written, I too worked with Charlie in the Division of Waste Management. What an extraordinary man he was. There was never a dull moment with Charlie around. I am deeply saddened at the loss of this great man. My thoughts and prayers are with you all.

Malinda Edington Mays - August 23, 2013 at 07:19 AM

CS

“ May God comfort you and give you strength during this sad time .My thoughts and prayers are with you and the family.Love to all of you.

Charolette Shepherd - August 22, 2013 at 11:47 PM

LA

“ I worked with Charlie as a Division of Water/ERT employee Madisonville Regional Office. He was memorable, a genius at landfill design engineering, and someone I will always remember.

L. Peyton Adams - August 22, 2013 at 09:49 PM

CP

“ I am so sorry to hear that Charlie has passed away. I worked with Charlie for years in Waste Management. There was only one Charlie. He had a very kind heart. I will keep your family in my thoughts and prayers. God Bless

Carol Jean Poole - August 22, 2013 at 06:02 PM

CC

“ So sorry to hear of Charlie's passing. He was one of those unforgettable people I had the pleasure of knowing and working with at DEP. My deepest sympathy to his family.

Charles D. Collier - August 22, 2013 at 05:01 PM

LS

“ I worked with Charlie for many years in the Division of Waste Management. I loved his sense of humor, and he was a walking encyclopedia on solid waste issues. He will be missed by all of his friends.

Liz Shelby - August 22, 2013 at 03:21 PM

MW

“ My sincere sympathies to the family. I enjoyed working with Charlie several years ago.

Margie Williams - August 22, 2013 at 03:20 PM

DA

“ I am so sorry to hear of Charlie's passing. I worked with him for years in the Division of Waste Management. He was a memorable person!

Debby Lucas Angel - August 22, 2013 at 11:57 AM

DD

“ I worked with Charlie in the Dept. for Environmental Protection, & admired his dedication to his work. Sending condolences to his family & friends.

Donna Crain Drury - August 22, 2013 at 11:02 AM

JD

“ I was in the guard w/ Charlie during his tenure there. He was a great guy, always dependable and doing the right thing. My deepest condolences to the family

jack doyle - August 22, 2013 at 10:35 AM

SS

“ *I'm so sorry to hear of Charlie's passing. He was a wonderful person and I enjoyed working with him. My condolences to the family.* ”

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**Sharon Watkins Sparrow** - August 22, 2013 at 09:40 AM