



## Eric "Ricky" Burke

July 26, 1946 - November 26, 2021

Frankfort – Eric Moro “Ricky” Burke, age 75, passed away on Friday, November 26, 2021. Services will be held at Harrod Brothers Funeral Home on Friday, December 3, 2021, at 2:00 p.m. with Rev. Leon Tracy, Jr. officiating. Burial will follow at Frankfort Cemetery. Military Honors will be observed at the gravesite by the VFW Post 4075. Visitation will be held at Harrod Brothers Funeral Home from 5:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. on Thursday, December 2, 2021. Masonic Services will be observed at 7:30 p.m. with Open Lodge beginning at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday.

Ricky was born in Frankfort on July 26, 1946. He was a Veteran of the United States Navy and member of the W.G. Simpson Masonic Lodge. Ricky served as Kentucky State Trooper from 1968 until 1972, and then opened Eric’s Custom Kitchens. He started Holmes Street Neighbors Association and was active in his community. In his spare time, Ricky mostly loved time spent riding his motorcycle, hunting, and boating on the river.

He is survived by his wife of 16 years, Debbie Burke; children, Leah Burke Krist (Jim), Beth Barnes (Rusty), and Robin Stephenson (Todd); step-son, Will Hardesty (Lisle); siblings, Rebecca Dawn Shryock (Johnny), Gary Day (Dee), Greg Day (Dana), Mark Day (Terry), Phillip Day, and Joanne Day Barnhart; grandchildren, Elizabeth Leeco, William Leeco (Stephanie), Brooke Santeramo, John Eric Santeramo, Nicole Stephenson, Noah Hardesty, and Eevie Hardesty; great-grandchildren, Lyric and Jace Moore; and step-mother, Cathy Day. He was also blessed with many nieces and nephews.

Ricky was preceded in death by his parents, Donald Sanford Burke, Esther Ann Jumpp Burke; his biological father, Ralph Donald Day; and siblings, Lyle Bradley Burke and Joyce Jones.

Serving as pallbearers will be Lane Tracy, Tim Tracy, Chip Shyrock, Brad Shyrock, John Eric Santeramo, and John Feamster. Honorary pallbearer will be William Leeco.

In lieu of flowers, expressions of sympathy may be made to the Masonic Home of Shelbyville, 711 Frankfort Rd, Shelbyville, KY 40065.

Arrangements are under the direction of Harrod Brothers Funeral Home & Crematory.

# Cemetery Details

## Frankfort Cemetery

215 East Main Street  
Frankfort, KY 40601  
(502) 227-2403

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 2. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Harrod Brothers Funeral Home  
312 Washington Street  
Frankfort, KY 40601  
(502) 227-4526  
hbfh@harrodbrothers.com  
<https://www.harrodbrothers.com>

## Service

DEC 3. 2:00 PM (ET)

Harrod Brothers Funeral Home  
312 Washington Street  
Frankfort, KY 40601  
(502) 227-4526  
hbfh@harrodbrothers.com  
<https://www.harrodbrothers.com>

# Tribute Wall



“ *Eric "Ricky" Burke*

October 06, 2023 at 03:15 PM



“ *Beth, I'm so sorry for your loss! Your dad was awesome! I will never ever ever forget him snapping those squirrel legs and chowing down. I can still here it to this day!! Sending love and prayers ya'lls way!*

**Kasie Purvis** - December 21, 2021 at 06:48 PM



“ *Nancy Moore lit a candle in memory of Eric "Ricky" Burke*



**nancy moore** - December 06, 2021 at 07:08 PM



“ *We've know Ricky all our lives. That SMILE & twinkle in his eye. His mom Esther also had that warm smile always so glad to see you. All the moments with him are memories that are keepsakes of time that live forever.....he will be close in all that you do.  
We're so very sorry.  
Pam Triplett Cloyd, Jackie Triplett Owens, Rhonda Triplett Sharfe and John Triplett and all our families.*

**Pamela Cloyd** - December 01, 2021 at 12:16 PM

LS

“ Leah, Elizabeth and Will, we are truly sorry for your loss. Keep happy memories close to your heart where he will live forever. We love you all and are sending love and hugs across the miles. Lisa and Duane Smith

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**Lisa and Duane Smith** - December 01, 2021 at 05:22 AM

LK

Thank you so much for your love and support. It means the world. Love you all, Leah

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**Leah Burke Krist** - December 02, 2021 at 11:21 PM

MH

“ Eric was our patient for many years. We always enjoyed his visits. Debbie we are sending our thoughts and prayers and God's comfort for you and the family.

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**Michael and Jackie Hillyer** - November 30, 2021 at 09:06 AM

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**Michael and Jackie Hillyer** - November 30, 2021 at 09:08 AM

AG

I have known Ricky for a lot of years and he never changed. He was a dear sweet man and I will miss him dearly. When I was little I called him Uncle Ricky. Fly high with the angels until we meet again. My thoughts and prayers are with his family

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**Artisha Grimes** - December 02, 2021 at 12:06 AM

DS

Thank You we Love your family also Dawn and Johnny Shryock

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**Dawn or Becky Shryock** - December 03, 2021 at 09:10 AM

RR

“ I graduated with Eric ( Ricky) from FCHS. Always a nice guy, never saw him without a big smile on his face. Condolences to his family and friends.

*Ruth Ann Ritter*

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**Ruth Ann Galbraith Ritter** - November 29, 2021 at 09:20 PM

RB

*Thank you, agree he always did have a big smile on his face*

*Denise Moore Burke*

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**Ron & Denise Burke** - November 30, 2021 at 08:20 AM



*Ricky and Debbie came to Camp Pleasant for quite a while. Ricky could sing! They will always be in my memory. Prayers and love for the family.*

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**Margo Karsner** - November 30, 2021 at 08:56 AM

DS

*Thank you Margo*

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**Dawn or Becky Shryock** - December 03, 2021 at 09:11 AM

KB

“ Rick was like Family to us. He was always there when you needed him. I Loved him very much. We Made some great memories together. Prayers for his precious girls that he adored and his sweet sister Dawn that he loved very much. I Love You All. He will be greatly missed.

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**Kennita Brewer** - November 29, 2021 at 06:09 PM

RB

“ *My Mother (Sharon) loved him liked a brother  
, Prayers to Debbie, his children , sister Dawn  
whom my Mother also loved like a sister,  
other siblings and grandchildren.*



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**Ron & Denise Burke** - November 29, 2021 at 05:23 PM