



Raymond Lewis Ritchie

December 5, 1946 - May 14, 2026

Frankfort – Raymond Lewis Ritchie, age 79, passed away peacefully on Thursday, May 14, 2026. Services will be held at Harrod Brothers Funeral Home on Thursday, May 21, 2026, at 11:00 a.m. with Rev. Mike Napier and Bro. Dale Parrish officiating. Burial will follow at Frankfort Cemetery. Visitation will be at Harrod Brothers Funeral Home from 5:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 20, 2026.

Lovingly known as “Papaw” to many, Mr. Ritchie was born in Frankfort on December 5, 1946, to the late Oda Ritchie and Elizabeth Manns Ritchie. He retired as superintendent for the Kentucky Finance Cabinet. He loved and enjoyed time spent coaching the youth.

He is survived by his children, Sonja Ritchie (Lisa), Buddy Ritchie (Laketa), and John Martin, Jr. (Ashley); brother, Stanley Ritchie (Linda); sister, Catherine Cloyd; grandchildren, J.T. Riddle (Alex), Ryan Martin (Ashley), Lakenzie Ritchie, and Caroline Martin; great-grandchildren, Kaelee Riddle and Ryleigh Riddle. He was also blessed with several nieces and nephews.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife, Mary Faye Markland Ritchie; and seven siblings.

Serving as pallbearers will be Brian Burge, Donald Jones, Cedric Ponds, Steve Wooldridge, Billy Perry, and Rick Stansel.

In lieu of flowers, expressions of sympathy may be made to WeWannaPlay.org

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

Upcoming Events

Visitation

MAY 20. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Harrod Brothers Funeral Home
312 Washington Street
Frankfort, KY 40601
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Service

MAY 21. 11:00 AM (ET)

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