



Richard Lee Miller

September 7, 1934 - April 12, 2026

Richard Lee Miller, 91, of Carthage, MO, passed away on April 12, 2026, surrounded by his family. Born in Weaubleau, MO, on September 7, 1934, Richard graduated from Central High School in Springfield, MO and attended Southwest Missouri State University. He dedicated 43 years of service as a Chief Driver Examiner with the Missouri State Highway Patrol.

Richard was preceded in death by his parents, Warren and Pauline Miller, his beloved wife of 45 years, Reta, and a younger brother, Gary Miller.

He is survived by his children, Rick Miller (Elaine), Julia Atnip (Butch), and Jan Canfield (Steve). He had 7 grandchildren, 22 great-grandchildren, and one great-great granddaughter.

Richard was a faithful member of First United Methodist Church. He loved fishing, traveling, and sports. He will be remembered for his loyalty, unwavering integrity, and devotion to his family. While we deeply mourn his departure, we are comforted by the knowledge that he rests peacefully with Christ as His Savior and God as His Father.

A funeral service to honor Richard's life will be held at 11:00 am on Thursday, April 16, 2026, at Ulmer Funeral Home. Visitation will be held on Wednesday, April 15, 2026, at First United Methodist Church from 6:00 to 7:00 pm. Burial will take place at Park Cemetery in Carthage, immediately following the service. All who knew him are invited to join in celebrating a life that made a difference to so many.

Richard was an active member of Kiwanis Club of Carthage. Memorial

donations can be made to Kiwanis Kiddie Land in care of Ulmer Funeral Home.

Condolences may be made at www.ulmerfh.com.

Arrangements are under the care and direction of Ulmer Funeral Home.

Cemetery Details

Park Cemetery

801 South Baker
Carthage, MO

Previous Events

Visitation

APR **15**. 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

First United Methodist Church
Carthage, MO

Funeral Service

APR **16**. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

LG

“ *Richard is very much missed. God's Speed*

LISA GRIFFITH - April 15 at 12:08 PM

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“ *LISA GRIFFITH lit a candle in memory of Richard Miller*



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“ *Elaine Miller lit a candle in memory of Richard Miller*



Elaine Miller - April 15 at 09:38 AM

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“ *I couldn't have asked for a better father-in-law...even if you and Rick ate the whole roast beef in one sitting! So many memories, and this is one of my favorites! And the French Onion Soup memory always makes me laugh! Until we gather at the River, you'll remain in my heart. I'll see you again soon. XO*



Elaine Miller - April 14 at 11:38 PM

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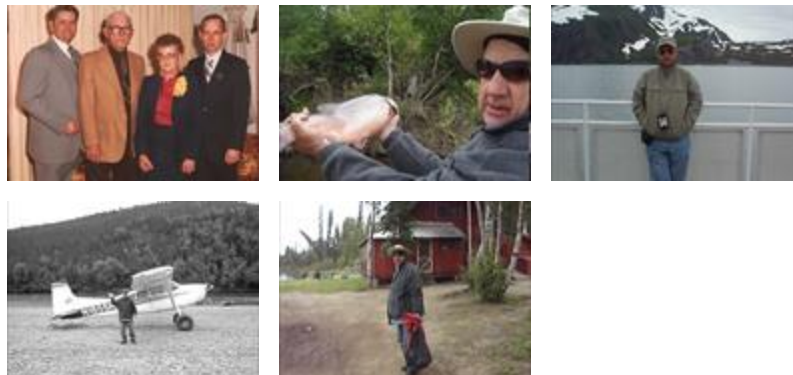
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Rick Miller - April 14 at 11:30 PM

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“ 15 files added to the album Family Vacations: Richard, Rick and Elaine



Elaine Millerq - April 14 at 11:18 PM

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“ Sending thoughts of comfort to the entire family. He was the true definition of what a family man, a good man and a believer and follower of God is. Uncle Richard was a rare soul who will be missed by many. He touched many lives in his life. We are all better for it. Go Chiefs and many tight lines. I think I'll dig out the fly rod and make a trip to Roaring River soon.



Brian Miller - April 14 at 01:56 PM