



## Rickey "Rick" Earl Grove

August 8, 1949 - September 10, 2022

Rickey Earl Grove, loving husband, father and grandfather left this world suddenly on the evening of September 10, 2022 at the age of 73.

Rick was born to Earl and Rosalie (Beel) Grove on August 8, 1949 in Joplin, Missouri. Rick attended Asbury Grade School and graduated from Carl Junction High School in 1967. Growing up, he was very active in sports.

Rick married his high school sweetheart, Donna Ann Moore on August 23, 1968 at Carl Junction Christian Church. They were blessed with three wonderful sons.

Rick attended Missouri Southern State College and graduated in 1971. He was involved in the Missouri National Guard for ten years.

Rick is an active member of Fairview Christian Church since 1978.

Rick was employed in various financial business affiliations. He found great blessings in serving the following ministries: Nios de Mexico and Life of Hope. Rick was a former member of Carthage Kiwanis group.

After retirement, Rick became involved with Peterson Outdoor Ministries where he led fishing outings for disabled veterans and first responders. He found joy in serving others in the great outdoors. Rick also continued to serve as a board member for Life of Hope Ministries until his death.

Rick was a true gentleman. He loved the Lord and his family unconditionally. He was always had a kind word to share with all people he met. Rick was an avid outdoorsman and loved being out in nature. He enjoyed golfing, hunting, fishing and his annual family fishing adventures to Canada to "catch the big ones". Rick will be truly missed by so many!

Rick was preceded in death by his parents; brother, Wayne Grove; beloved son, Erick Wayne Grove; adored granddaughter, Mary Margaret Grove; nephew, Jamey White; father and mother-in-law, Don and Hazel Moore.

Rick is survived by his loving wife, Donna; sons, Mike and wife, Kelly, Aaron and wife, Crystal; Grandchildren, Cecelia and fiancé, Seth, Katherine, Leo and Eli Grove; Dakota Grove. Also his brother, Larry Grove and wife, Skip; His sister-in-law, Linda White and husband, Newt, brother-in-law, Roy Peterson and Linda Grove; many nieces, nephews and great nieces and nephews, which he loved so much.

Services will be held 10:00 a.m. Friday at Fairview Christian Church September 16, 2022.

Visitation will be held 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Thursday at Fairview Christian Church September 15, 2022. Burial will be at Oak Hill Cemetery in Carthage, Missouri.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in care of Ulmer Funeral Home to Life of Hope or Peterson Outdoor Ministries.

Online condolences may be made at [www.ulmerfh.com](http://www.ulmerfh.com).

Services are under the direction of Ulmer Funeral Home.

# Cemetery Details

## Oak Hill Cemetery

Carthage, MO

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP 15. 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Fairview Christian Church  
Carthage, MO

## Funeral Service

SEP 16. 10:00 AM (CT)

Fairview Christian Church  
Carthage, MO

# Tribute Wall

EG

“ Donna / Mike, So sorry for your loss, you were great neighbors back in the day!

Eric Gilbert - September 26, 2022 at 11:36 AM

BH

“ Rick was such a valuable asset to the ministry of Peterson Outdoors Ministries, such a servant heart always looking for ways to touch the lives of any within reach. Never forgotten though as Rick made valuable investments that will continue to minister to Veterans as well as all who come through the gates of POM's Lodge of Hope!

Rest easy sir, we will take it from here.....

Buster Holzer  
Chaplain  
Peterson Outdoors Ministries

Buster Holzer - September 15, 2022 at 06:14 PM

BE

“ Donna, I am so sorry to read this about Rick. I want you to know we are asking for the Holy Spirit to grant you and your family comfort and peace.

Bonnie Earl - September 15, 2022 at 04:08 AM

JS

“ Mary Jane and I are so sorry to hear of Rick's passing. Donna and family you are in our thoughts and prayers. Rick was a good and faithful servant. He was always there for others.

John Stevens - September 14, 2022 at 02:55 AM

RB

“ Sorry to hear about Ricks passing, such a nice guy, he will be missed by many. He was an inspiration to us all and set the bar high in volunteerism. Our thoughts and prayers are with his family.

Richard and Pam Barlet - September 14, 2022 at 01:02 AM

MY

“ Rick was a good friend known him since I was in my teens. He was caring and loving to all the kids who lived at Niños de Mexico childrens home. Many of us known him as Tío (uncle) Rick to me he was a friend. You'll be missed but we know we will be seeing each other in eternity with our Lord Jesus. Thank you for always showing the care and love of Jesus to so many.

Mario Yarnell-Gonzalez - September 13, 2022 at 07:10 PM

CI

“ Donna and Family: Gwen and I are so sorry for Rick's passing. You are in our thoughts and prayers. I have so many fond memories of the two of us working on our 55Chevy's together, building model cars together, swimming in Spring River in the nude, and so much more. I am so thankful that we got to visit with the two of you plus Howard and Debbie Darnell when we came back to the Joplin area the past two years. He will always be in my thoughts.

Claude Irelan

Claude Irelan - September 13, 2022 at 07:02 PM

JW

“ Joyce Wiese lit a candle in memory of Rickey "Rick" Earl Grove



Joyce Wiese - September 13, 2022 at 06:47 PM

SH

“ To Mike and Family  
You lost a great Dad and Grandad but those memories will last forever  
Steve Hawkins

Steven Hawkins - September 13, 2022 at 03:23 PM

Don  
Hosack

“ Donna, I am so sorry of Rick's passing. He was a true gentleman and a man of God. May you and your family be granted the peace and strength needed in this time of loss. Don Hosack

Don Hosack - September 13, 2022 at 02:55 PM

MJ

“ We send our prayers for your family in this loss. Mike and Mary Jones

Mary S. Jones - September 13, 2022 at 02:07 PM

SC

“ Donna and family: We are so sorry to hear of Rick's passing. You are all in our prayers.

Rick was one of the nicest guys we have ever met. We are so happy that we shared family and especially our grandchildren. He will be missed by so many. You all have our deepest sympathy. Pete and Sue

Sue Carlton - September 13, 2022 at 01:41 PM

JR

“ "Tío" (Uncle) Rick was a kind and loving friend and co worker to the Niños de Mexico family. We are thankful to have had so many memories with him. He was a blessing in so many ways.

Donna, you and your family are in our thoughts and prayers.  
Janet and Steve Ross

Janet Ross - September 13, 2022 at 10:35 AM

CF

“ Rick was the nicest man I have ever met. He and Donna were the sweetest couple! My son ran at Ericks run many years and enjoyed doing so for such a great cause. My condolences to Donna and the whole Grove Family ! 💕

Cathy Diggs and the whole Diggs family - September 13, 2022 at 07:57 AM

DB

“ We are very sad to learn of Rick's death. Our condolences and prayers for the family. ~ Wendell & Dorothy Burg family

Dorothy Burg - September 12, 2022 at 10:03 PM