



Richard L. Peterson

July 27, 1939 - April 3, 2016

Richard L. Peterson, 76, of rural Rochester, Indiana passed at 12:15 am, Sunday, April 3, 2016 at his residence.

He was born on July 27, 1939 in Fulton County, Indiana to Harley and Bertha (Beard) Wynn and was adopted at an early age by Joe and Mary Isabelle (Drudge) Peterson.

He was married on April 8, 1962 in Mentone, Indiana to Jerilyn L. Craig, she survives.

In previous years he had worked for Craig Welding. He worked in Law Enforcement in Fulton County as a Deputy, as well as in Akron and Mentone. He retired from the Indiana State Highway Dept.

He was 1959 graduate of Talma High School. He served his country in the Army National Guard. He was a member of the Riverview Community Church and a lifetime member of the NRA. He also was a member of the Mentone Masonic Lodge where he had been a 50 years member, F.O.P., and a founding member of the Blacktop Cruisers Car Club. He and his wife enjoyed wintering in Wickenburg, Arizona. He was a collector of all farm toys, model trains, and guns. He also was a fan of Elvis and the Green Bay Packers and was a Ford and John Deere man.

Survivors and place of residence:

Wife – Jerilyn Peterson – Rochester, Ind.

Daughter – Diane and husband Rod Eaton – Rochester, Ind.

Son – Chris and wife Dawn Peterson – Mentone. Ind.

7 Grandchildren – Jared, Courtney, Missy, Tyler, Trenton, Trey, and Taylor

5 Great Grandchildren – Ryker, Jarhett, Owen, Brantlee, and Ellie

Brother – Marvin and wife Nyla Snyder – Argos, Ind.

Half Brother – Paul and wife Chris Prilaman - Logansport

Half Sister – Mae Swigart - Florida

Preceded in Death By:

Parents – Joe and Mary Isabelle Peterson

Biological Parents – Harley and Bertha Wynn

Son – Todd Peterson

Sister – Sonja Gerig

Half Brothers – Ernest, Lowell, Alfred, Paul, and Eli Wynn, Clide Zeiger and Donnie Prilaman

Half Sisters - Ruth Roach and Delma Maudlin

Time and Date of Services: 10:30 am, Thursday, April 7, 2016

Place of Services: King Memorial Home 101 North Tucker Street Mentone, Indiana

Minister: Pastor Rodney Ruberg

Place of Burial: Sycamore Cemetery, Mentone, Indiana

Visitation Hours: 3 pm to 8 pm, Wednesday, April 6, 2016 at King Memorial Home, Mentone, Indiana

Memorial Contributions to: American Cancer Society or Riverview Community Church or a charity of your choice

Cemetery Details

Sycamore Cemetery

Mentone, IN 46539

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 6. 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

King Memorial Home
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Funeral Service

APR 7. 10:30 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Hartzler Funeral Services created a Tribute Video in memory of Richard L. Peterson*



Hartzler Funeral Services - April 04, 2016 at 04:55 PM

RB

“ *SORRY TO HEAR OF YOUR LOSS.
PRAYER TO THE FAMILY.*

MARK AND RENEE BRUCKER BAKER



RENEE BAKER - April 07, 2016 at 10:00 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Richard L. Peterson.*



April 06, 2016 at 07:37 AM

CH

“ Cheryl Howard lit a candle in memory of Richard L. Peterson



Cheryl Howard - April 05, 2016 at 09:44 PM

L&

“ Lyle & LaVada Butt & family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Richard L. Peterson.



Lyle & LaVada Butt & family - April 05, 2016 at 07:28 PM

KH

“ Kay And Arnold Horn lit a candle in memory of Richard L. Peterson



Kay and Arnold Horn - April 05, 2016 at 03:07 PM

MK

“ Monty and Karen purchased the Dreams From the Heart Bouquet for the family of Richard L. Peterson.



Monty and Karen - April 05, 2016 at 09:32 AM

MC

“ *Melody Craig lit a candle in memory of Richard L. Peterson*



Melody Craig - April 04, 2016 at 09:33 PM



“ *I remember back in the early to mid 70's cruising the streets of Mentone with my friends, Rusty, Li'l Heav, Duane, And a few more maybe getting on Officer Peterson's nerves a little, but nothing serious. Just good kids being kids. He was a swell guy to know and be friends with. Condolences to his family from mine, Tim Lowman.*

Tim Lowman - April 04, 2016 at 08:50 PM

JW

“ *Judy Walgamuth lit a candle in memory of Richard L. Peterson*



Judy Walgamuth - April 04, 2016 at 07:09 PM

AB

“ *Ann Brucker lit a candle in memory of Richard L. Peterson*



Ann Brucker - April 04, 2016 at 06:45 PM

AB

I give you, Jerilyn my sympathy and prayers. Also to your wonderful family. Enjoyed being neighbors to you for years. Ann Brucker

Ann Brucker - April 04, 2016 at 08:41 PM

AN

“ *My favorite memory of Dick was in the early 80's when a group of us kids were Teepeeing the farm house and he fired his shot gun out the upstairs window!*

angie notz - April 04, 2016 at 06:14 PM

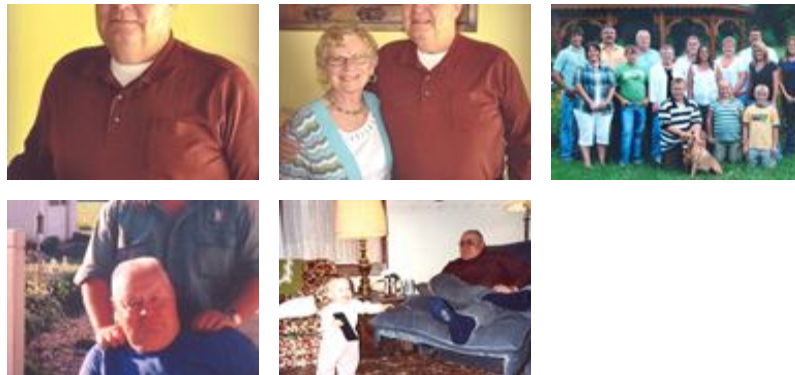
ES

“ *As a fellow class mate with Dick, I remember his '57 Ford Fairlane 500 that had an overdrive transmission that could just down, even in second gear. You will be missed by a lot of your fellow class mates. Rest in peace Dick.*

Eugene Scott - April 04, 2016 at 06:01 PM



“ *138 files added to the album LifeTributes*



Hartzler Funeral Services - April 04, 2016 at 04:47 PM

JD

“ Thinking of Richard puts a smile on my face. He always tried to be so gruff, but I know he was just a big softy deep down. R. I. P. Richard. Thoughts are with you all.
Larry and Jennifer Daine

jennifer daine - April 04, 2016 at 03:19 PM

PV

“ *Jerilyn, Our prayers will be with you and your family Thursday. I have great memories of Dick, you and the rest of our classmates at Talma. In Christ Love, Jim & Patricia Vigar Madera, Ca.*

Patricia Vigar - April 04, 2016 at 03:05 PM

SW

“ *He had an infectious laugh, ornery disposition, and yet a kind heart. I was always glad to run into Dick at car shows. Love to all the Peterson's.*



Scott Wickens - April 04, 2016 at 01:49 PM

JF

“ *Jim Blair & Family lit a candle in memory of Richard L. Peterson*



jim blair & family - April 04, 2016 at 12:39 PM

PV

“ *Patricia Vigar lit a candle in memory of Richard L. Peterson*



patricia vigar - April 04, 2016 at 12:31 PM

JM

“ *Jeannie Matheny lit a candle in memory of Richard L. Peterson*



Jeannie Matheny - April 04, 2016 at 12:24 PM

JM

“ *So sorry for your loss. I remember him from days at Harris Drugs. Prayers to all concerned. May God lessen the pain and enhance the good memories.*

Jeannie Matheny - April 04, 2016 at 12:24 PM