



## Mr. Richard Lee Childers, Jr.

March 16, 1959 - July 19, 2018

Richard Lee Childers, Jr. (Ricky, as he was affectionately known) was the third child of six children born to Richard Lee and Leola Hardeman Childers on March 16, 1959, in Oklahoma City (Tinker AFB). When Ricky was four years old the family moved from Oklahoma to Japan, where they remained for the next 4 years. In 1967 the family returned to Oklahoma City. Upon graduation from Northwest Classen High School, Ricky joined the U.S. Navy, and traveled throughout the Pacific theater. During his military career, Ricky worked as an Operating Room Medic/Corpsman. Also during that time, he met and married Gretchen Jill, and one year later they were blessed by the birth of their son, Derrick Jerome Childers. He was Honorably Discharged from service in 1990, at which point he continued his career in the medical field: working first as an Operating Room Surgical Technician at Balboa Medical Center in San Diego, CA, and finally as a Surgical Nurse/Technician at Baptist Hospital in Oklahoma City. When not working Ricky enjoyed bringing solace and comfort to others. He could also be the life of the party, and was an EXCELLENT dancer. He became suddenly ill on July 19, 2018 and died in the care of physicians. Ricky was predeceased in death by his parents: Richard and Leola Childers; his former wife, Gretchen; his sisters: Deborah and Erica; and his brother, Christopher. Ricky's passing is mourned by his son Derrick Jerome Childers; his cherished step-daughter, Shawnta Harris; two sisters: Phyllis Childers of Prince William County Virginia, and Felicia Morgan (Reginald) of Springfield, Missouri; and a host of other close

family, friends, and neighbors. He was a bright light among us, and he will be sorely missed.

# Tribute Wall

RF

“ My family would like to send sincere condolences to the Childers family for the loss of your dear loved one. May you find comfort and hope from the Bible promise at Isaiah 25:8. Please, pray constantly, avoid isolation, and lean on God as you cope during this most difficult time.

Richardson Family - July 30, 2018 at 08:37 PM

MS

“ I will miss sitting on my moms porch reminiscing about when we were young, and how much fun we had with all the kids in our neighborhood. We would laugh and talk sometime to midnight.  
R.I.P.  
Marla Moreland

Marla Smith - July 27, 2018 at 10:18 PM



“ Good morning Facebook family.  
Today I need your prayers. Today I need you to send me your strength. I know my big brother is in a better place.  
Still difficult to let him go.  
Be free big bruh.  
Lisa.

Felicia Morgan - July 27, 2018 at 09:39 AM



Ashanti Carr-Tate - July 28, 2018 at 10:53 AM

VC

*Felicia, you have my utmost sympathy and prayers. It's even harder to lose a family member unexpectedly. Yes, YourBrother is in a better place but I the pain is still difficult yo bear. Mr. RICHARD Lee Childers Jr. May you rest in Perfect Peace and paradise with the knowledge that you are truly loved. Heavenly Father. I humbly bow before you first thanking you for your Blessings of Agape (Unconditional) Love, Grace, Mercy and Favor and Forgivessnesz Of Our Sins 70x70 on a daily basis . Father, I thank you for your sacrificing your only son and Thank You Jesus for Beijing obedient even when you knew urge hoffific, pain and agony that you South suffer being Crucified on the Cross. FFatger, I pray for the family of your so My. Childers Jr. MY you give them the strength, Courage and a Peace that surpasses all Understanding. Father where they are feeling hopelessness and weakness give them home and build them up on every leaning side now and in the difficult days in the weeks and months to come.Father Okease let them know that others care and share in their friend so they are not alone. FTher, Thank You for already answering my Prayers in your Darling Son's Jesus a Name. Amen and Amen!!! 🙏🙏🙏🙏*

**Vickey Cross** - July 28, 2018 at 05:18 PM

NM

“ *Richard was a caring tutor with our Whiz Kids program a few years ago. He was willing to help around the Church in any way needed and we are sorry to hear about his passing.*  
*Nancy Musselman*

**Nancy Musselman** - July 25, 2018 at 08:12 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Mr. Richard Lee Childers, Jr..*



July 25, 2018 at 05:15 PM

MB

“ *Ricky was a friend especially in great time of need. He would show up when others couldn't and he was ready to assist in whatever way was possible. He experience many things in this life and so he lived a full life. I will continue to miss him.---*

Marticia Banks-Booker - July 24, 2018 at 05:02 PM



“ *Ricky... Richard was always a blessing to people older. He would often cut my Mom and Mrs. Harris yard. Never! Changing them. He was one of the sweetest people you would want to me. Rest in Heaven Richard!*



Kristy York - July 24, 2018 at 09:51 AM

TW

“ *Sorry For Your Loss  
Jesus Loves Me  
I Am Special*



Thomas Widgeon - July 24, 2018 at 06:24 AM



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Felicia Morgan - July 23, 2018 at 04:14 PM



*Richard L. Childers Jr.*

**Felicia Morgan** - July 23, 2018 at 04:15 PM



*I am so sorry for your loss. Richard was a "true friend" in this world as we know it. Condolences to the Family, prayers are in place. Tammie Lewis*

**Tammie Lewis** - July 23, 2018 at 10:56 PM



*I am sorry for your loss, Richard did have a good heart, We talked a lot when I came on the eastside to work on mothers house, He will be greatly Missed.*

**Rev.Joe Brooks** - July 25, 2018 at 09:53 AM



*I went to school with Richard at Dunbar Elementary School. He was a fun kid and I considered him a friend. I had no idea he was living in Oklahoma City. I had not seen him since elementary school. My prayers are with the family. Love Carolyn Potts-Shelton*

**Carolyn Potts-Shelton** - September 08, 2018 at 11:43 AM