



## Rikki Jo Cook

January 24, 1981 - April 23, 2023

Rikki Jo Cook, 42, of Nitro, West Virginia died April 23, 2023 at her home surrounded by her family after courageously fighting an eighteen-year battle with illness.

Rikki was born January 24, 1981, to Cathy and Mike Cook of Nitro, West Virginia.

Rikki was a Christian who loved and trusted the Lord. She was a talented musician who enjoyed singing and writing music from a young age. She was also a photographer using her artistic skills to capture the special moments and milestones of her family.

Despite her illness, Rikki was always selfless and reached out to minister to others. Although she never had children of her own, she loved and mothered her nephews and nieces with all her heart. She was the only sister and oldest sibling of three brothers whom she ruled like the princess she was!

Rikki was preceded in death by her pawpaw, Delmar Sovine, and her pawpaw, Noel Cook.

She is survived by her mother, Cathy Cook of Nitro, West Virginia, and her father, Mike Cook, also of Nitro, West Virginia; her brothers, Aaron (Jessica)

Cook of Hayden, Alabama; Josh (Becky) Lynn of Newark, Ohio; and Billy Cook (Emily V.) of Rockford, Illinois; her grandmothers, who loved her deeply, Doris Sovine and Patty Cook, both of Nitro, West Virginia; and her two aunts, Linda Sovine of Charleston, West Virginia, who was like a second mother to her, and Brenda Cook of Nitro, West Virginia. Rikki had many other uncles, aunts, cousins, nephews, and nieces who all loved her dearly.

A memorial service for Rikki will be held on Thursday, April 27 at 5:00 p.m. at Teays Valley Baptist Church, 3926 Teays Valley Road, Hurricane, WV 25526.

Anyone wishing to leave an online memory may do so by visiting Rikki's tribute page at: [www.chapmanfuneralhomes.com](http://www.chapmanfuneralhomes.com).

Chapman Funeral Home 3941 Teays Valley Road Hurricane, WV 25526 is honored to handle the Cook family arrangements.

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

APR **27**. 5:00 PM (ET)

Teays Valley Baptist Church  
3926 Teays Valley Road  
Hurricane, WV 25526

# Tribute Wall



“ *Rikki Jo Cook*

October 06, 2023 at 08:41 AM



“ *I remember Rikki from Youth camp and always Got a blessing out of her singing, it was sincere and her love for God shined through music, thank you for posting the tribute of the song she sang about praising God through the hurt, it really touched my heart to just be faithful to God no matter what I go through, she was so sick but she always shined, I knew she was sick, but through the recent years didn't realize she was still so sick and feel bad about that, this memory of mine is terrible.....the Cook family has a great impact on my life through church camp, I will always remember that.....thank you Rikki for your songs, your faithful spirit, and love for the Lord, thank you for shining through your hurts and for reminding us all to praise God and stay faithful no matter what.....I'm so glad your in no more pain, your walking on streets of gold and you have a brand new body and that you got to see God the Father, God the son, and God the Holy spirit, but you sure will be missed.....I sure loved to hear you sing..... Sorry I didn't keep up with your health recently..... praying for the Cook family.....*

Janie - April 29, 2023 at 02:34 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Rikki Jo Cook.*



April 26, 2023 at 11:44 PM

TB

“ I have so many sweet memories of Rikki from our teen years... camps, road trips, shopping, singing, teasing her about her obsession with the Miami Dolphins and Dan Marino. Rikki loved to sing about Jesus and minister to others through her music. She touched so many hearts with her life. Heaven gained a beautiful soul. ❤️

Tasha Ball - April 26, 2023 at 11:39 PM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Rikki Jo Cook.



April 26, 2023 at 11:02 PM



“ Pretty Please was purchased for the family of Rikki Jo Cook.



April 26, 2023 at 10:09 PM



“ Stars in the Sky - Elements Angel was purchased for the family of Rikki Jo Cook.



April 26, 2023 at 09:35 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Rikki Jo Cook.



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April 26, 2023 at 07:47 PM



“ *I feel honored to have been able to call her friend since her and I were only 5. God blessed her with so much talent and I'm so glad she used it for God. She will be missed. The Jackson family is praying for comfort over the Cook's during their time of loss.*

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**Eric Jackson** - April 26, 2023 at 05:11 PM



“ *Janet Dillon lit a candle in memory of Rikki Cook*

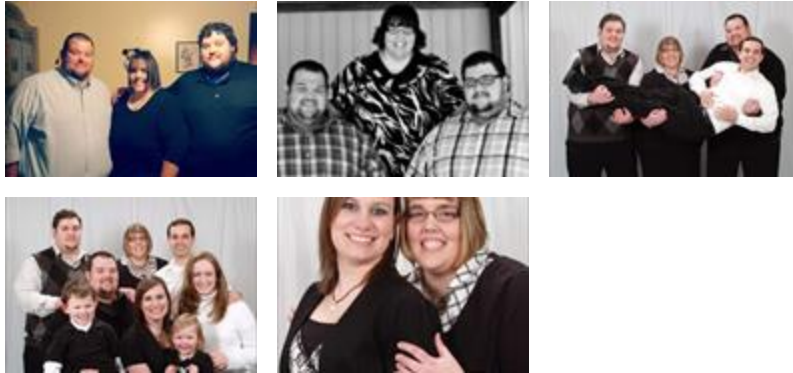


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**Janet Dillon** - April 26, 2023 at 04:14 PM

AC

“ 7 files added to the tribute wall



Aaron Cook - April 26, 2023 at 04:12 PM

KS

“ Praying for the family in this valley 💜  
Rikki you are missed by many here but looking forward to seeing you again in Glory! I keep picturing you now singing your heart out to our Lord and Saviour! Until then 💛 Mrs. Katie Schubert and family

Katie Schubert - April 26, 2023 at 04:07 PM

BC

“ Rikki was a childhood friend who was involved in many of the highlights of my childhood. We sang together at camps and church and played volleyball and just enjoyed life with our friend group. Many prayers and strength wishes to her family!

Bobbie C. - April 26, 2023 at 04:06 PM

AB

“ Rikki was a very special lady to a lot of folks. She had a God given talent for singing and music. I will always remember her kissing me as a little guy just to see me blush and her giving me a hard time about being born a day late and missing her birthday. I always had to apologize for missing her birthday by a day every year I wished her a happy one. I believe I will miss her singing the most. No doubt she is doing so in the presence of her Savior now. I'll be praying for her family during this difficult time.

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**Alex Bugbee** - April 26, 2023 at 03:20 PM

NI

“ Ricky you will be missed I always enjoyed coming out and seeing you and talking about your toy clothes and just hearing you laugh and be happy even though you were fighting though a battle that you had to fight alone I'm glad you had a good support system with your mom your grandma and just overall all the people that love and care about you this is Nina the driver with Trinity pharmacy will miss you Ricky

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**Nina** - April 26, 2023 at 02:13 PM

NS

“ Our family has known Rikki for a long time. She always had a smile on her face and a song for the Lord. I have had the privilege to sing a few songs with Rikki and it blessed my soul to do so. You have run your race well Rikki, I can only imagine the singing you are doing in Heaven. —Daniel & Nancy Stewart and family

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**Nancy Stewart** - April 26, 2023 at 02:07 PM

AM

“ *Rikki was a patient at the pharmacy I work at. I always looked forward to seeing her and talking with her. She was the sweetest. And will be very missed by many!* ”



Amber - April 26, 2023 at 01:50 PM



“ *Pretty Please was purchased for the family of Rikki Jo Cook.* ”



April 26, 2023 at 12:55 PM

AD

“ *Ms. Rikki was one of my favorite people growing up. I always knew she cared and would help with anything. Some of my favorite memories are from when I would visit my grandparents in Rockford and got to attend her Wednesday night classes. I specifically remember having a “karaoke” night of sorts that she recorded and gave everyone a copy of. Even through her illness her faith and love for God was strong. I always loved to hear her sing- The Anchor Holds was one of my favorites. she will be greatly missed. So thankful for the comfort of Heaven ❤️* ”

Aundrea Darling - April 26, 2023 at 12:52 PM

PC

*I'm so thankful I got to meet this sweet gal. I always got a blessing when she sang. You could hear the love she had of our Lord when she was singing. She was more talented than I realized. But, she was generous too. I will always cherish the bracelet she made and gave me. See you again some day, Rikki Jo*

Phyllis Combs - April 26, 2023 at 09:10 PM

AB

“ *Rikki was a good friend I have so many memories with her and her family. Growing up she sang songs and I would do sign language in the church choir.*

*She will be missed by so many people near and far. She was someone who I could talk to and confided in. She also had the most wonderful funny sense of humor I loved that the most.*

*Thank you,  
Abby Fortune*

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**Abby** - April 26, 2023 at 12:52 PM