



## William Mark Richards

January 7, 1961 - January 16, 2021

William Mark Richards, 60, of Hurricane, formerly of Elizabeth, passed away Saturday, January 16, 2021 at UK Healthcare, Lexington, KY.

Born January 7, 1961 in Charleston, Mark was a son of the late John Harvey and Lena Mae Stover Richards. He was also preceded in death by his sister-in-law, Brenda Wood and brother-in-law, Douglas Baisden.

He retired from Putnam PSD with 28 years of service and was formerly employed with the Town of Elizabeth Water Company and Ravens Metal both located in Elizabeth as well as ARMCO Steel at Montcoal. He was a member of Amazing Grace Fellowship, Seth and WV Clays, Inc. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, camping and riding his side-by-side. He was a member of Burning Springs Masonic Lodge # 132 AF & AM and the Order of the Eastern Star, Chapter # 113.

Surviving are his wife, Diana Kay Walker Richards; son, Jonathan Mark Richards of Minneapolis, MN; brother, Mike Richards (Anna Fay) of Elizabeth; sister-in-law, Janet Epling (Dwight) of Costa, sister-in-law, Renee Ball of Danville; brother-in-law, Barry Slone (Gail) of Dunbar; nephews, Shawn Richards (Mindy) of Parkersburg, Todd Richards (Amy) of Elizabeth, Chad Richards (Kim) of Morgantown, Matthew Epling (Courtney) of Arnett, Jordan Epling (Brittany) of St. Albans; uncle, Kenneth "Nook" Richards of Comfort; 18

great nieces and nephews and one great-great niece. Also surviving is a special family member, Joann Christian and special friends include Sonya Haynes, Craig Coplin, Jamie Smith, Jack DePue, Mike Whited and a host of friends at the Creston deer camp.

Funeral service will be held at 2pm Friday, January 22, 2021 at Chapman Funeral Home, Hurricane officiated by his nephew, Pastor Matthew Epling. Burial with Masonic rites will follow in Cunningham Memorial Park, St. Albans. Visitation will be held from 6-8pm Thursday at the funeral home where an Eastern Star service will be also take place. You may visit his tribute page at [ChapmanFuneralHomes.com](http://ChapmanFuneralHomes.com) to share memories and offer condolences to the family.

Chapman Funeral Home, family-owned and located at 3941 Teays Valley Road, Hurricane is honored to serve the Richards family.

# Cemetery Details

## Cunningham Memorial Park

815 Cunningham Lane  
Saint Albans, WV 25177

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 21. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Chapman Funeral Home Hurricane  
3941 Teays Valley Road  
Hurricane, WV 25526  
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## Funeral Service

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# Tribute Wall



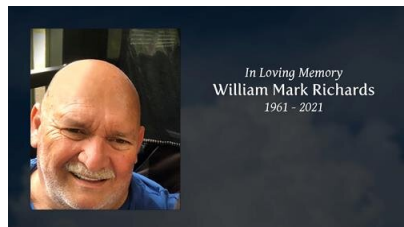
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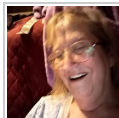
Chapman Funeral Homes - January 22, 2021 at 11:11 AM



“ Chapman Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of William Mark Richards



Chapman Funeral Homes - January 21, 2021 at 02:05 PM



*love this*

Patty Perdue Meeks - January 21, 2021 at 07:07 PM



“ William Mark Richards

October 06, 2023 at 08:41 AM

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“ *What a beautiful tribute to Mark.*

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**Ronnie Emerick** - February 03, 2021 at 07:38 PM

JE

“ *So sorry for the loss of such a good man. As I watched the tribute slide show, I was reminded of many stories Mark would tell. I also got a rather good laugh at some of the pictures. He may be gone but not forgotten.*

*James Evers*

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**James Evers** - January 22, 2021 at 12:41 PM

DR

“ *Mark you will always be remembered by me and I will forever be Sally. Gone but not forgotten. Diana and Jonathan always know if you need anything just let me know. Love and Prayers for you all and your family Mark was a great person.*



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**Donna Rigsby** - January 22, 2021 at 11:35 AM

JS

“ *We were blessed to have had Mark in our lives. He was a great soul with a movie star smile. He may be gone but his beautiful legacy was left behind so that we may learn from and remember. He will be in our hearts until the end of time. Prayers to Diana and Jonathan; we will always be here!*

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**Jamie, Sheryl, Jordan Smith** - January 22, 2021 at 08:44 AM

GF

“ *Greg & Meighan and Isaac Foster purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of William Mark Richards.*



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**Greg & Meighan and Isaac Foster** - January 22, 2021 at 08:23 AM



“ *Mark we had so many classes together you married one of my best friends you will be missed hugs and prayers to you family and friends*

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**Patty Perdue Meeks** - January 21, 2021 at 07:03 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of William Mark Richards.*



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January 21, 2021 at 12:40 PM

FW

“ *"Sorry for your loss. Thinking of the Richard family in this time of sorrow."*

*Frank Walker*

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**Frank Walker** - January 20, 2021 at 01:12 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of William Mark Richards.*



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January 19, 2021 at 11:11 PM



“ *Diana, Jonathan and Mike please accept my Deepest Sympathies and Condolences. Mark was a good friend and when he gave you a hug you knew you had been hugged. Loved to hear the hunting stories that he and Craig would tell. Sending prayers for comfort and strength during this difficult time. Love and hugs Tanya Coplin*

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**Tanya Coplin** - January 19, 2021 at 10:32 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of William Mark Richards.*



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January 19, 2021 at 08:55 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of William Mark Richards.*



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January 19, 2021 at 07:57 PM

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“ *Schwan's Home Delivery purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of William Mark Richards.*



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**Schwan's Home Delivery** - January 19, 2021 at 06:07 PM

LP

“ *LOVE & PRAYERS TO THE RICHARDS FAMILY, OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY, THE O B PAYNE FAMILY.*

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**LARRY & NAN PAYNE** - January 19, 2021 at 11:44 AM

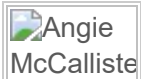


“ *Mary Payne lit a candle in memory of William Mark Richards*



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**Mary Payne** - January 19, 2021 at 10:56 AM



Angie McCallister

“ *Mark holds a special place in my heart by just being a friend. When I moved in with Tammy, I really didn't know anyone well, but Dianna, Johnathan and Mark through band. It felt like family because that's how they always made me feel. When Mark had to retire, I always looked towards their house, because he was waiting to wave at me. Going to miss the hunting and fishing talks, but can't wait to see you again, so we can talk about everything you've already gotten to see and do <3*



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**Angie McCallister** - January 19, 2021 at 12:32 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of William Mark Richards.*



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January 18, 2021 at 09:36 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of William Mark Richards.*



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January 18, 2021 at 08:49 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of William Mark Richards.*



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January 18, 2021 at 08:15 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of William Mark Richards.*



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January 18, 2021 at 06:13 PM