



Richard Dallas Garland

September 18, 1952 - June 13, 2019

Richard Dallas Garland (Crazy Richard), age 65 of Piney Flats, TN passed away unexpectedly and was welcomed into heaven on Thursday, June 13, 2019. He was born on September 18, 1952 to the late, Dallas and Betty Garland of Johnson City, TN. He was a 1971 graduate of Lamar High. He was a long-time servant to the Church of Jesus in Johnson City where he put his bass guitar talent to use as well as leading Sunday School. Richard was a cut-up and enjoyed a lighthearted time with everyone he met. His family describes him as a devoted son, a loyal friend, a supportive husband and a committed father as the song by Brad Paisley says, "The Dad he didn't have to be."

Back in the day, most people knew Richard as "Crazy Richard" because of his early career using that dynamic voice over the airwaves at Sunshine 79 Gospel Radio. He continued his love for encouraging others through being a referee for basketball games and local wrestling. Later, Richard made a 28-year career working at Stowers Machinery and also part time work at Food City when retired early due to illness. During his retirement he volunteered his time at Bristol Regional Hospital, Kairos Prison Ministry (cake delivery), and disaster recovery teams (packaging food).

Richard Garland was an only child and preceded in death by his parents. He leaves to cherish his memories: his wife, Theresa, his two sons, Matthew McMillian (Rebekah), Adam McMillian (Alexis), his daughter, Angel Vereen

(Terrell), three grandchildren, James Bruner, Israel and Miracle Vereen.

Visitation will be held on Tuesday, June 18, 2019 from 5:30 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. at the Church of Jesus in Johnson City, TN. Funeral to follow with Rev. George Hall and Rev. Wesley Ward officiating.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN **18**. 5:30 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Church of Jesus
809 W. Main St.
Johnson City, TN 37601

Service

JUN **18**. 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Richard Dallas Garland.*



June 18, 2019 at 10:23 AM



“ *Oh my heart just breaks. Richard became part of our Waffle House family in Piney Flats. We will all miss him dearly. There was never a dull moment with him. He always kept us entertained. He had a heart of gold.💛 It will not be the same knowing we won't get to hear his jokes or see that smiling face come through our doors. There definitely won't be another like him. Our hearts and prayers are with his family during this time.🙏 We Love You Richard and i bet you are having the best All Star ever in Heaven. Til we meet again Buddy. Fly high sweet angel.😇💖 Kim Felty*

Kim Felty - June 17, 2019 at 05:06 PM



“ *Always enjoyed being around Richard. He was a really wonderful person that always showed his passion for the Lord. Prayers for all the family*

Eddie Trish Porter - June 16, 2019 at 08:51 PM



“ *Faythe Bennett Hutchins lit a candle in memory of Richard Dallas Garland*



Faythe Bennett Hutchins - June 16, 2019 at 03:49 PM



“ *CYNTHIA QUEEN lit a candle in memory of Richard Dallas Garland*



CYNTHIA QUEEN - June 16, 2019 at 02:49 PM



HE WAS A NICE PERSON I KNEW HIM FROM GLAD TO HAVE KNOWN HIM MY CONDOLENCES TO THE FAMILY

CYNTHIA QUEEN - June 16, 2019 at 02:52 PM



“ *Richard was a good person to work with for many many years I'm glad I had the opportunity to know him and I send my condolences to his family*

Jerry Barnett - June 16, 2019 at 09:07 AM

CS

“ Carol Strickland lit a candle in memory of Richard Dallas Garland



Carol Strickland - June 16, 2019 at 07:31 AM

JW

“ Jessica Strickland Wells lit a candle in memory of Richard Dallas Garland



Jessica Strickland Wells - June 16, 2019 at 07:29 AM

GP

“ Many years have passed filled with both joy and sorrow. Rest now for the time being Richard until we all meet again. Prayers for family and friends.



Glenda Pounds - June 16, 2019 at 07:22 AM



Richard was a long time friend dedicated to doing the best he could to help people. It's a tragic loss for us but a huge victory for him--HEAVEN. My deepest condolences. May the family feel peace and a especially comfort of God's love at this time.
--Charlie Mitchell Jr

Charlie Mitchell Jr. - June 16, 2019 at 12:01 PM

KF

“ *Kaitlin Forbes lit a candle in memory of Richard Dallas Garland*



Kaitlin Forbes - June 15, 2019 at 04:38 PM

JA

“ *Janelle sent a virtual gift in memory of Richard Dallas Garland*



Janelle - June 15, 2019 at 04:18 AM

JA

“ *Janelle lit a candle in memory of Richard Dallas Garland*



Janelle - June 15, 2019 at 04:16 AM