



Mark "Tony" Anthony Richards

August 18, 1957 - August 13, 2020

Mark Anthony "Tony" Richards, 62, of Rainsville, passed away Thursday, August 13, 2020. He was born August 18, 1957 in DeKalb County to the late Marvin and Lois Rice Richards. Mr. Richards was a member of Broadway Baptist Church. He was a retired educator at Plainview High School serving as a teacher, volleyball coach and principal. He will best be remembered for his personal interaction with his students often calling them by name and greeting them with a high-five. "The most important thing is how you treat people" was not only something he told his sons as they grew, but was an example of how he lived.

A private graveside service will be held. The family plans to hold a Celebration of Life service at a later time.

He is survived by his wife, Debbie Ganje Richards; sons, Ian Richards and fiancée, Laura Ellis, and Clay Richards; sister, Becki Reeves; and father-in-law, Harold Ganje. He was preceded in death by his parents, brother, Keith Richards, and sisters, Ila Fred Carter and Cindy Strickland.

Tribute Wall



“ *Mark "Tony" Anthony Richards*

January 12, 2023 at 10:45 AM



“ *Elizabeth Kennedy sent a virtual gift in memory of Mark "Tony" Anthony Richards*



Elizabeth Kennedy - June 26, 2021 at 01:42 AM



“ *Can't believe he's gone! We miss you here at PLV Mr. Richards! :(*

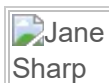
E.D.S. - October 28, 2020 at 12:14 PM



“ *Londa Hurley lit a candle in memory of Mark "Tony" Anthony Richards*



Londa Hurley - August 20, 2020 at 09:40 AM



“ *Tony is my cousin. I am so sorry to hear he is gone. Such a sweet man. He will be missed.*
Jane Richards Sharp

Jane Sharp - August 17, 2020 at 04:14 PM



“ *Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of Mark "Tony" Anthony Richards.*



August 16, 2020 at 11:02 PM



“ *Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Mark "Tony" Anthony Richards.*



August 16, 2020 at 04:34 PM



“ *Newt And Debbie Rice lit a candle in memory of Mark "Tony" Anthony Richards*



Newt and Debbie Rice - August 15, 2020 at 02:16 PM



“ *Ricky And Joyce Stone lit a candle in memory of Mark "Tony" Anthony Richards*



Ricky and Joyce Stone - August 15, 2020 at 07:11 AM

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“ I taught with Mark at Fort Payne Middle School. We became instant friends. He was a caring and supportive teacher. He could tell some funny stories. We were so happy when he and Debbie married. He will be greatly missed.



Sarah Haase - August 15, 2020 at 01:38 AM

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“ Reaching out to the Richard's family. Praying for comfort and compassion as you go through the loss of a family member. Keeping all of you in my prayers. Thinking of you, Clay.

Nancy Elliott - August 14, 2020 at 08:03 PM

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“ Cheryl Little lit a candle in memory of Mark "Tony" Anthony Richards



Cheryl Little - August 14, 2020 at 04:03 PM

LE

“ So sorry for your loss. Norman and Linda Eberhart

linda eberhaty - August 14, 2020 at 03:54 PM