



Richard "Dick" Heald

January 17, 1941 - May 25, 2023

Richard "Dick" Heald, 82, of Monrovia, passed from this life in the early morning hours of Thursday, May 25, 2023, after a 2-year battle with cancer. He was born on January 17, 1941 to the late Herman G. and Margaret E. (Hadley) Heald.

Growing up in Plainfield, Dick spent his summers working on his uncle's farm, where he learned the value of hard work and dedication. Attending Plainfield High School, he was an enthusiastic member of the FFA, learning hands-on work experience and the development of life skills. A prankster in his youth, he and his fellow classmates topped previous senior pranks by somehow managing to hoist a small sports car atop the school, as well as releasing turkeys inside. After graduating with the class of 1959, Dick proudly enlisted in the United States Marine Corps.

In 1989, Dick met the love of his life, Kim Schelm. The two had been acquainted for several years, when Stephanie, Dick's daughter, pestered Kim relentlessly to have dinner with her father until she finally gave in. Enamored from the get-go, but unsure the relationship would endure the age difference, they were further encouraged by their sons that they were destined to be. A year later, the pair vowed their everlasting love and commitment to each other on June 16, 1990 at the Plainfield Friends Meeting Church and spent 32 years, 11 months, and 9 days together.

Community minded and selfless, Dick immersed himself into civic duties. He was a charter member of the Monrovia Lions Club, Morgan County Sheriff's Merit Board, aided in establishing Brown Township Ambulance, "Life Star", member of the Plainfield Friends Meeting, Plainfield Eagles Lodge #3207, Plainfield Masonic Lodge #653, Mooresville Optimist Club, Kiwanis, American Legion Post #103, and part of the cast of Hall's Hilarious Hillbillies. Serving on Mooresville's Town Council, Dick was also Police Commissioner for 12 years. A hard worker, he spent 36 years in the Banking Business, was employed with Carpenter Realtors from 2002 to 2023, Heald Milk Transport for 14 years, along with establishing his own business flipping homes as Grumpy Old Men Construction.

A hands-on father, Dick was actively involved in the children's lives. He was a director and coached for Mooresville Little League and Softball, was a Band & Show Choir Parent's Organization, as well as sponsoring two foreign exchange students, Eric Nagles and Rafael Ramiro. A NASCAR fan, Dick frequently attended races, cheering on his favorite driver, Jeff Gordon. Gifted with his hands, he was fond of woodworking, fishing, piddling around with the grandkids, and especially vacationing. Social by nature, he loved people and took you for who you are, never passing judgement. A great teacher and mentor, Dick was blessed with the ability to really listen to what you had to say, never breaking eye contact as you poured your heart out to him. The rock of the family, he was known as "Pappy" by the grands, who loved hanging out with him while he passed on the life lessons and skills, he learned in his 82 years on earth. When you think of Dick, remember him for his hugs and his big smile, then picture him sitting in the place he loved, the back porch overlooking his beautiful yard and pond.

Along with his parents, Dick was preceded in death by his brother, David Heald, and granddaughter, Harper Curts

He leaves behind his loving wife, Kim S. (Schelm) Heald of Monrovia; children, Veronica Pfister of Plainfield, Stephanie Parks (husband, Rodney) of Monrovia, Richard Earl "Rich" Heald, II (wife, Shannon) of Brazil, Charles "Chuck" Curts (wife, Amy) of Boggstown, and Joel Matthew Curts of Mooresville; siblings, Robert Heald (wife, Karen) of Plainfield, and Don Heald (wife, Debbie) of Westfield; former wife, Darlene (Swinney) Heald of Mooresville; grandchildren, Matthew, Lauren, Kathryn (Jess), Mitchell, Austin (Kinsey), Ashley (Braden), Ali (Neil), Grant (Bailey), Hunter, Lexi, Christopher, Charlie, Taylor, and Andrew; great grandchildren, Payton, Declan, Delaney, and Lenora. great grandchildren, Payton, Declan, Delaney, and Lenora.

Cremation and Funeral Arrangements have been entrusted to Light Memorial & Funeral Chapel in Monrovia. Friends and family are invited to gather on Wednesday, May 31, 2023, from 4pm to 8pm at the funeral home, with a Masonic Rites Service beginning promptly at 7pm. An additional hour of calling will be held on Thursday, June 1, from 10am until a Celebration of Life Service at 11am, with full Military Honors. Pastor Brandon Sighting will officiate, and Dick will be inurned in Mt. Pleasant Cemetery, Hall, at a later date. In lieu of flowers, Memorial Contributions may be made to the Monrovia Lions Club Park Fund, P.O. Box 389, Monrovia, IN, 46157, or to the Simon Cancer Research Center/Esophageal Cancer Research Fund, Post Office Box 500, Bloomington, IN, 47402, or online by clicking <https://give.myiu.org/centers-institutes/l380016213.html>, and envelopes will be available during services. To share a favorite story, send an online condolence to the family, or light a candle in his memory, please visit his tribute page at www.lightmemorial.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 31. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Light Memorial & Funeral Chapel
585 East Main Street
Monrovia, IN 46157
(317) 996-2101
<https://www.lightmemorial.com>

Masonic Rites

MAY 31. 7:00 PM (ET)

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Additional Visitation

JUN 1. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

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Celebration of Life Service

JUN 1. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Military Honors

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Tribute Wall

AN

“ *Kim - he definitely was very special. Will miss him. He is and always will be my 'favorite Dick'* ”

Anonymous - June 15, 2023 at 09:38 AM

PS

“ *Patti & Mike Golasinski; Jennifer Shank purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Richard "Dick" Heald.* ”



Patti & Mike Golasinski; Jennifer Shank - June 12, 2023 at 07:43 PM

MK

“ *I just learned of Dick's passing today by his name in the Star obits. My family, the Kerseys, association with Dick's family goes back to the 30's and 40's. His grandparents and my parents were best friends and they with Margaret, Betty and Bob, and the Kersey kids spent a lot of happy times together. The Heald boys were "my boys" one summer in the early 50's when Margaret was recovering from surgery and she asked me to live with them and help her as needed which included "watching" them. Bob and Don, please know my heart aches this evening for your loss. The last time I saw you all was when your Mother died. (I'm Marianne "Kersey" Banton)* ”

Marianne Kersey - June 01, 2023 at 10:16 PM



“ *Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Richard "Dick" Heald.*



May 31, 2023 at 04:59 PM

KH

“*Dick Heald has a very special place in all of our hearts. He was so loyal to his friends and family. He loved each and every one of us. I know that he is now pain free and smiling down on us. I can only Imagine.*

Dick loved all of our children. Veronica, Stephanie, Rich, Chuck and Joel.

He adored his grandchildren. Matthew, Lauren, Kathryn, Mitchell, Ali, Grant, Austin, Ashley, Hunter, Lexi, Kipper, Charlie, Taylor, Drew and our beloved Harper. Each of our special great grand children, Payton, Declan, Delaney and Nora.

His brothers and sisters were his friends and all so very dear to him. David (deceased) Bob and Karen, Don and Debbie, Herb and Paula, Diane and Don, Fred (deceased) and Patty, Jeanie and Mark, Sandy, Toni (deceased) Patty and Bill. Our Bonus lifetime friends he also thought of as brothers and sisters, Dave and Jodi and Craig and Judy and our adopted daughter and real estate partner Sara. He was Blessed to have hundreds of other friends, cousins and family as well. I can only imagine.

And they said it wouldn't last! Our impossible 15 year age difference, blended families, starting over with little to go on. We were fast friends and enjoyed being together. We shared a very rare, never ending love and respect for each other. I was privileged to know him and share a beautiful life for almost 33 years. We were partners in life, adventures and business. The good news is that I know that our love will last throughout eternity. God Blessed us when he brought us together...Deebe...I will hold you close to my heart and do my best to carry on until I see you again. I can only imagine.

Dick was a story teller, a craftsman, a hard worker, fun loving friend and quick to tell a joke. He prayed daily and thanked God for the goodness in his life and for his beautiful home and back yard. In the

mornings he would have his coffee on the back porch and plan his day. In the evenings we would reflect and talk about the day's events. He always ended our talk with "I love you, thank you for being my friend, Today has been a good day" He found the good in most people and made so many new friends along the way. Dick was a proud Marine, loved his God, family, country and his community. He could fix anything with nothing.

A favorite memory is when we were first married, of course we were living paycheck to paycheck. The headlight on my car went out and we didn't have the money to fix it just then. He sat and thought about it for a minute. He came into the house and rummaged through the drawers coming up with some aluminum foil and some other trinkets. He went out and fixed that light. It was over a year before we replaced it:) He always used hearts to dot the l's in my name when he wrote it down.

God Bless each and every one of you for being such a special part of Dick's life. Thank you for sharing him with me. His life was full and was a good one. I can only imagine.

I will love your forever and no matter what

Kimmie

Kimberly Heald - May 31, 2023 at 08:15 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Richard "Dick" Heald.*



May 31, 2023 at 08:12 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Richard "Dick" Heald.

May 31, 2023 at 08:12 AM



“ Oh the times we had back in mid 70's, Dick, Doug Tussey and myself were quite the trio when we worked for CIT Financial. Called him and Darlene Ma and Pa because of the age difference (7 years) RIP Dick and sorry we didn't get together after all these years

Jerry sprinkle - May 30, 2023 at 05:51 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Richard "Dick" Heald.



May 30, 2023 at 05:11 PM



“ I am sorry to hear of your loss Kim. Dick was always friendly, outgoing and would give everyone his big smile. Hugs to all.
Dian Ankney

Dian C Ankney - May 30, 2023 at 03:21 PM



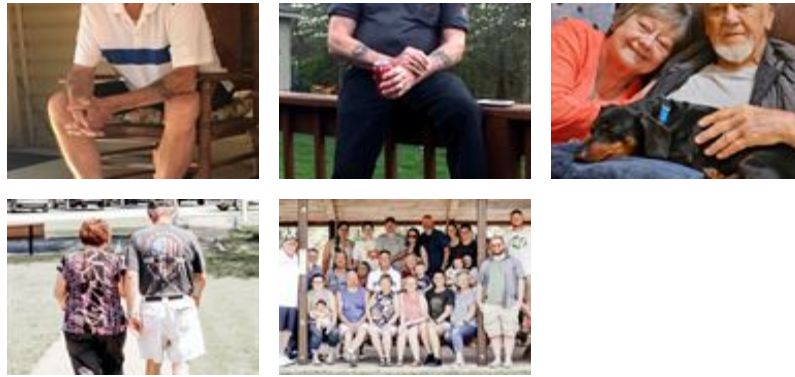
“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Richard "Dick" Heald.



May 30, 2023 at 03:17 PM



“ 169 files added to the album Life Tributes



Light Memorial & Funeral Chapel - May 30, 2023 at 01:10 PM



“ Bob, Karen and Family purchased the Large Basket Garden for the family of Richard "Dick" Heald.



Bob, Karen and Family - May 30, 2023 at 10:23 AM

TK

“ Our deepest Condolences to you on your loss. Know in your hearts that your loved one is at peace and waiting to share special moments with family and friends again one day.



Tom and Kathy Burbank

Tom & Kathy - May 30, 2023 at 08:55 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Richard "Dick" Heald.



May 30, 2023 at 05:25 AM



“ Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Richard "Dick" Heald.



May 29, 2023 at 01:52 PM



“ Garden Accent Stone - "Wherever a Beautiful Soul..." was purchased for the family of Richard "Dick" Heald.



May 29, 2023 at 01:48 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Richard "Dick" Heald.



May 28, 2023 at 06:26 PM



“ Proud American Memorial Windchimes with Eagle and Flag was purchased for the family of Richard "Dick" Heald.



May 28, 2023 at 05:24 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Richard "Dick" Heald.

May 28, 2023 at 05:24 PM



“ Kelly Bozarth lit a candle in memory of Richard "Dick" Heald



Kelly Bozarth - May 28, 2023 at 02:10 PM

KB

I lit this yellow candle in honor Of Dick because yellow reminds me of the bright sun and when Dick walked in a room he made it more bright and cheerful with his big smile,hug, and great sense of humor. Sure will miss you Dick. Kim, I'm praying peace and comfort for you and your family.

Kelly Bozarth - May 28, 2023 at 02:28 PM

PW

“ *Patty Wallace lit a candle in memory of Richard "Dick" Heald*



patty wallace - May 27, 2023 at 06:02 PM



“ *Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of Richard "Dick" Heald.*



May 27, 2023 at 12:36 PM

JS

“ *Dave and I were blessed to have both Kim and Dick in our lives. It was always a “Bonus “ to be together. What wonderful memories I have of our travels and special times. I will miss those hugs, smiles and do anything for you spirit.*

I know Dave is happy to have his “Cuz” to hang around with now.



jodi Scott - May 27, 2023 at 08:52 AM

KH



Kim Heald - May 27, 2023 at 09:48 PM

SH

When my sister Kim found and married the man who became her husband and best friend, we as a family were blessed to have him become our friend and yet another brother in our clan. His presence will be greatly missed until we see him again. Sandra Hayes-White

Sandra Hayes-White - May 28, 2023 at 09:14 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Richard "Dick" Heald.*



May 26, 2023 at 09:47 PM



“ *Dick was simply the best!! I can't even describe how much I loved and respected him, and I'm deeply saddened by his passing. He'll live forever in my heart and memories.*

David Danz - May 26, 2023 at 09:04 PM

JH

“ *So sorry to hear this Kim. May God keep his arms wrapped around you in the weeks and months ahead. Godspeed Dick*



Jill Hartman - May 26, 2023 at 05:20 PM

RT

“ *Our deepest sympathy to the family.*

Roy(Face) & Stacy Thompson - May 26, 2023 at 03:44 PM

LC

“ *Sorr to hear of Dick's passing - May God Grant the Family Peace n Comfort n this time of Sorrow n n the Days n Weeks to come- Thoughts n Prayers to all 🙏🙏🙏🙏*



Larry n Carolyn Clements - May 26, 2023 at 11:10 AM

DA

“ *Thoughts and prayers are with the family*

Danny Allen - May 25, 2023 at 11:20 PM