



Ricky Vereen

January 20, 1956 - January 18, 2022

Ricky Vereen (65) of Middletown, CT, husband of the late Andrea (Copeland) Vereen entered into eternal rest on January 18, 2022 surrounded by his loving children. Ricky was born on January 20, 1956 to the late Jessie Mae (Hugee) Vereen and Willie Vereen in Middletown, CT where he was a life-long resident.

Ricky was a graduate of Woodrow Wilson High School Class of 1974 in Middletown, CT. He furthered his education at C.W. Post in Long Island, New York. He was employed by DMHAS and worked at the Connecticut Valley Hospital and retired from the Whiting Forensic Division after 35 years of service. Rick gave his life to Christ at an early age, and along with family attended Zion Baptist Church in Middletown, CT where he served in the music ministry.

Family, friends, good food, music, and sports was Ricky's passion and delight. He loved attending family gatherings. One of his favorite things was golfing, yet his greatness, joy came from doting on his granddaughter Kalila Jackson.

He is survived by his son Derrick Perry (wife Dana) and two grandchildren Devyn & Daria Perry, his daughter Keisha Vereen and granddaughter Kalila Jackson, Brother John Vereen (wife Dorothy) of Syracuse, NY, sister Judy Rollins of Middletown CT and sister Rhana Vereen of Syracuse, New York. Uncle Rev. Willie Young of Middletown, aunts Ludell Murray of Hartford, CT

and Daphine Hugee of Pamplico, South Carolina and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives, and friends; as well as a special cousin Flora Jean Crump.

Besides his parents and wife, Ricky was predeceased by his brothers Willie Vereen, Mark Vereen, Ronnie Vereen, sister Denise (Vereen) Privott and nephew Kwesi Rollins.

Cemetery Details

Pine Grove Cemetery

Middletwon, CT

Previous Events

Calling Hours

JAN 26. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church
346 Butternut St
Middletown, CT 06457

Funeral Service

JAN 26. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Ricky Vereen*

October 09, 2023 at 06:14 AM



“ *I went to high school with Ricky and always admired his spirit, athletic and vocal abilities. I especially loved his never ending smile. We ran into each other at one of my daughter's softball games where he was umpiring. He greeted me with open arms and then made a point to say goodbye and remark how talented she was as a catcher. We got to be Facebook friends and I was always touched by his beautiful posts about his granddaughter. I told him I remembered him singing "Lean on Me" anytime I heard it playing. A unique and passionate talent, I know he could have won American Idol if it existed in the 70's. Now he's singing with angels. RIP my Friend, until we meet again ❤️*
Rita Simmons Adkins

Rita Adkins - January 28, 2022 at 08:01 PM



“ *Toni Means lit a candle in memory of Ricky Vereen*



Toni Means - January 26, 2022 at 03:13 PM



Hello and our condolences to Ricky Vereen's family. My name is Fred vereen jr., I live in Lawrence Township, NJ. We send our love and prayers to you all.

Fred Vereen, Jr - January 27, 2022 at 10:41 PM

SL

“ My condolences goes out to the Vereen family. Rick was a very nice respectful guy we attend and graduated from the same school we also grew up in the same development. We didn't see each other that often but when we did he always seemed the same. I was not only a friend to him but to his siblings as he was to mine. Any time you saw him he had a contagious smile on his face, May he rest in peace and may God give his family comfort during this time.
Shelbia-Watford-Leary & Family

Shelbia Leary - January 26, 2022 at 05:44 AM

LW

“ Ricky and I were friends in middle and high school. He was my first real crush. Even though I haven't seen him in 40 years, on January 20 I always whisper “happy birthday, Ricky Vereen.” Such a kind and good soul and I'm so glad he was blessed with a loving family.

Liz Warner - January 25, 2022 at 02:27 PM

BP

“ My condolence to the Vereen family, Rick and I were friends for very long time he pretty much molded me we also took care of Keisha for many years she became a sister to my daughters and was part of our family Rick was so knowledgeable and was great to talk to you as you all know he was a Yankees fan and a New York Giants fan he loves sports he loved golf tiger woods and he loved golfing himself he also had a heart for umpiring high school students you left too soon I know our heavenly father will comfort you then we can make our memories live on love you Rick I miss you to the Moon and back

Belinda Pitkin - January 25, 2022 at 12:51 PM

SG

“ Ricky and I were classmates at Woodrow Wilson High School. I always remember him with a smile on his face and a kind heart. Rest in peace, dear friend.--Susan Goldberg

Susan Goldberg - January 25, 2022 at 08:08 AM

PS

“ Family: Praying that God will comfort you. Hold unto the wonderful memories you shared together. For whether we live, we live unto the Lord; and whether we die, we die unto the Lord: whether we live therefore, or die, we are the Lord's Romans 14:8. Love True Vine Holiness Church, Pastor Nathaniel J. Fountain, Portland, CT

Pastor Nathaniel J. Fountain Sr. - January 25, 2022 at 07:07 AM

GJ

“ Prayers and sympathy for the family of Ricky Vereen whom I met through Little League Baseball. Ricky was a "live wire" and relaxed everybody with his wit and humor, I'll miss him. God Bless you always.

George Houston, Jr. - January 24, 2022 at 08:32 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ricky Vereen.



January 24, 2022 at 07:09 PM

RF

“ *Rev. Dr. Willie J. Young and Family purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Ricky Vereen.*



Rev. Dr. Willie J. Young and Family - January 24, 2022 at 04:14 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Ricky Vereen.*



January 23, 2022 at 04:53 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Ricky Vereen.*



January 23, 2022 at 04:20 PM

MD

“ *Rest in peace my friend.*

Mark Donovan - January 22, 2022 at 11:50 PM

WC

“ Our hearts goes out to the family! Lifting you up in our prayers 🙏

From the Cunningham and James family!



Wanda Cunningham - January 22, 2022 at 10:12 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Ricky Vereen.



January 22, 2022 at 08:21 PM

SM

“ Rest in Peace cousin Ricky! I'm still numbed with shock over his death. I last saw Ricky at the funeral of his nephew and we hugged, shared our love. Mark and Johnnie were present and now Mark and Ricky have died. I'm at a loss but will be praying for his children and grandchildren. Love your cousin, Sharon Myers Moales

Sharon Moales - January 22, 2022 at 06:20 PM

CH

“ I went to Woodrow Wilson HS with Ricky and we were in the chorus together as well as the Keynotes and Melodies. Ricky had a beautiful voice and a personality and spirit to match. We had a special friendship back then that I never forgot. I am glad I was able to briefly touch base with him on Facebook after Kerry Marshall passed (rest his soul). It was then he told me about his cancer and I've been praying for him ever since. I loved his pics with his granddaughter. He was so happy in those pics. Everyone I knew loved and respected Ricky Vereen. He was so sweet, gentle, kind and compassionate. A smile that could make your day. So down-to-earth. My family really liked him as well. Sleep in Heavenly Peace Ricky. There will always be a place in my heart my good friend. Praying your children's and siblings and family's and many friends strength. Join your wife and family in Heaven now where there is joy eternally.

Cheryl (Glover) Huckabey - January 22, 2022 at 06:16 PM

IM

“ Inez, Jimmy, Lorraine and Sharon Myers purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Ricky Vereen.



Inez, Jimmy, Lorraine and Sharon Myers - January 22, 2022 at 06:11 PM

FC

“ To my cousin Ricky. You will be missed dearly. Glad we got closer after Mark death. Our last event at my house was labor day you really enjoy yourself that day. Rest in peace cuz. I really going to missed you. Love your cousin FLora Jean Weston Crump. God bless his kids n grands

Flora jean crump - January 22, 2022 at 05:53 PM

JS

“ *Juanita Scott lit a candle in memory of Ricky Vereen*



Juanita Scott - January 22, 2022 at 05:43 PM

MG

“ *Valley Stars!*



Maurice Gariepy - January 22, 2022 at 05:06 PM



Maurice Gariepy

RIP Ricky!

Maurice Gariepy - January 25, 2022 at 10:42 AM

LK

“ *Thoughts and prayers to the family... He is home now and heaven has another Angel 🙏❤️*

Larry Kowalski - January 22, 2022 at 04:09 PM

LS

“ Really ONE OF A KIND!!! Love ya always my Brother!!! 💜😭
🙏🕊️💙💪 To the family!!

Imperfect Man in an Imperfect world. But with a true heart!!!

#TopOfTheTrapezoid

Lo Sr. - January 22, 2022 at 02:29 PM