



Rickie Albert Effinger

December 4, 1957 - October 8, 2024

Rickie Albert Effinger, 66, of Evansville, passed away unexpectedly at his home on Tuesday, October 8, 2024.

Rick was born on December 4, 1957 in Evansville to the late Albert H. and Janice (Merritt) Effinger. He worked as a project manager for Fluor Enterprises prior to retiring. He was a member of Pipefitters and Steamfitters Local 136 for over 40 years and was a welding instructor at the Local 136 training school for many years. Rick enjoyed watching and supporting his granddaughter Hannah in all of her activities; showing his 1955 Chevy and serving as part of the pit crew on his friend's drag racing team.

Surviving Rick are his wife of 47 years, Donna (Meek) Effinger; son, Jason Effinger; daughter, Tarah (Neil) Martin and granddaughter, Hannah Rae Martin.

Funeral services for Rick will be held at 1:00 PM on Saturday, October 12, 2024 at Pierre Funeral Home, Rev. Gene Backes officiating.

Friends may visit with the family from 10:00 AM until service time on Saturday at Pierre Funeral Home, 2601 W. Franklin Street.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Chemo Buddies,

3700 Bellemeade Ave, Suite 118, Evansville, IN 47714.

Condolences may be made online at www.pierrefuneralhome.com.

Cemetery Details

Evansville Crematory

318 N. Lemcke Ave.
Evansville, IN

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **12**. 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Pierre Funeral Home
2601 West Franklin Street
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Tribute Wall



“ *Pierre Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Rickie Albert Effinger*



Pierre Funeral Home - October 12, 2024 at 05:48 PM

JS

“ *Rick was a very special man and he will be missed by all that knew him. We worked together at ICI at GE and later Sabic and went through some tough jobs that at first seemed impossible to meet the schedule but Rick always came through and met the schedule. Rick enjoyed life to the fullest.*

Jack Snurpus

Jack snurpus - October 13, 2024 at 07:34 PM

DD

“ Donna and family please accept my deepest sympathy. I thought of Rick as one of my best childhood friends. His mother drove past our house and picked me up for school in first grade. (Only after Jan called my mom and asked her to tell me it was okay to get in that big Cadillac! I had refused to get in the car when she stopped and asked me.) We trick or treated together, went through Tekoppel and then Reitz. We talked about college or trade school, and his home on the hill was a safe place for me to stop. He liked the big hunk of junk car my dad had on our carport that he was replacing the engine in. Although we have not seen each other much as we got older, I know your Rick was one of the best people I've ever known. My heart breaks for you. I have cried thinking of him being gone and I am so sorry for your loss.

Debbie Deig - October 12, 2024 at 02:30 PM

RA

“ Donna and family, Rick and I are deeply sorry to hear of Rick's passing. Our hearts , thoughts amd prayers are with you. Rick was such a great guy !!



Rick amd Dawn Ary - October 12, 2024 at 09:51 AM

DS

“ So sorry to hear this about Rick! We'll be praying for you all in the days ahead. David Snapp and Shelley (Stovall) Snapp

David and Shelley (Stovall) Snapp - October 12, 2024 at 06:11 AM

DK

“ Condolences to Donna and family. Rick was good to volunteer at fundraisers at River City HOG and enjoyed the many club motorcycle trips with him and Donna. He will be missed.

Debra (Campbell) Kennard - October 11, 2024 at 01:42 PM

BD

“ Brent and Michele Duncan purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Rickie Albert Effinger.



Brent and Michele Duncan - October 11, 2024 at 10:36 AM

KF

“ Kathy and Tim Foley purchased the Hot Cocoa Gift Basket for the family of Rickie Albert Effinger.



Kathy and Tim Foley - October 10, 2024 at 01:14 PM

KF

“ Kathy and Tim Foley planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Rickie Albert Effinger.

Kathy and Tim Foley - October 10, 2024 at 01:14 PM

TF

“ Condolences to Rick’s family and a specially to Donna. Rick and I went through our apprenticeship together. Worked together and became good friends. My wife and I have fond memories with Rick, Donna, and their family. He will be missed. Kathy and Tim Foley.

Tim Foley - October 10, 2024 at 12:52 PM

DO

Thank you for your kind words. I have fond memories also of our friendships. Donna

Donna - October 21, 2024 at 08:52 AM

BV

“ Rick was a very patient and kind man. He always had good words and a smile. It was a great pleasure to meet him and work with him over the years. Prayers for the family.



Brenda Vincent - October 10, 2024 at 12:39 PM

DK

“ Rick was a special person. We worked together for many years and shared a lot of laughs. His dedication to others was such a passion for Rickie. He will be missed by many but not forgotten. RIP Rickie and know you helped many in your time with us.

Dave King - October 10, 2024 at 09:29 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Rickie Albert Effinger.*



October 10, 2024 at 05:12 AM



“ *Brian Turner planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Rickie Albert Effinger.*

Brian Turner - October 10, 2024 at 05:12 AM



“ *Sad to hear of Rick's passing. He was a fellow classmate @ Reitz. My sympathies to Rick's family. May God hold you in His comforting hand.*

*Bruce Griffin,
Salt Lake City, Utah*

Bruce Griffin - October 09, 2024 at 11:26 PM



“ *Rick Effinger may have been known as "Big", but his spirit, love, and legacy were even bigger. His willingness to help others in any way, his humor, work ethic and his greatest love- his love for his family and friends (followed closely by his fondness for his 55 Chevy) will never be forgotten.*

karen - October 09, 2024 at 06:37 PM

TS

Rick helped me tremendously when I came to work for Fluor. We had some real fun times at work and playing golf together for the last several years. He always said he had a wonderful family. I will miss him dearly. My prayers go out to the family.

See ya later my good friend

Tony Steele

Tony Steele - October 09, 2024 at 08:10 PM

TH

“ *Donna and family..I'm so very sorry for your loss.*



Tammy Hayworth - October 09, 2024 at 05:05 PM

LT

“ *So many memories with Rick and Donna... 4-wheeling in the snow, very cold Fall Festival visits, their wedding (my ex was Best Man) my 1st wedding (Rick was Best Man), my 2nd wedding when he told me he knew I would always be part of his family when I married his cousin Randy and so so many more. Love you dude, you were taken too soon.*

Lisa Toelle - October 09, 2024 at 03:36 PM