



Claude Richard "Dick" Farthing

December 3, 1934 - April 12, 2021

Mr. Claude Richard "Dick" Farthing, 86 years old, of Richlands, VA, passed away on April 12, 2021. Born in Welch, WV in McDowell County, the only child of Claude Darty Farthing and Viola Mercer Farthing. He graduated from Welch High School in 1952, and then graduated from National Business College in Roanoke VA. He served in the U.S. Army from 1954 to 1956.

Dick became a CPA and worked in the Bluefield WV office of Arthur Anderson accounting firm, and he moved to Richlands in 1963 for employment with S&S Machinery; he later had the opportunity to serve Tazewell County as the County Administrator from 1994 to 2000. Dick was a master of finding solutions and working with the resources he had. He enjoyed work, exercising, serving his community, and participating as a faithful member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints. He was a long time member of the Richland Lion's Club and enjoyed working the concession stand at the Richlands High School football games. Richlands Chamber of Commerce selected him as Citizen of the year in 1975, he also served as a member of the Richlands Recreation commission participating with the planning and fundraising for the Richlands Recreation Center; always a supporter of the Boy Scouts of America, and other civic organizations throughout his life. He was a devoted husband and father and found the most joy spending time with his family and serving the Lord.

He was predeceased by his wife, Bonnie Sue Farthing, and is survived by

their five children and spouses: Zaneta and Fred McIntosh of Mechanicsville, VA; Rick and Kelly Farthing of Chesterfield, VA; Cheryl and Bob Borden of Apex, NC; Duane and Charlene Farthing of Rosedale, VA; Scot and Leslie Farthing of Wytheville, VA; and 13 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren. He was an example to all of one who loved God and loved his neighbor.

Funeral services for Claude Richard "Dick" Farthing will be conducted at 11:00 a.m. on Thursday, April 15, 2021 at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints - Richlands Branch (3645 Steelsburg Hwy. Cedar Bluff, Virginia 24609), with President Jody Shelton officiating. Interment will follow at Greenhills Memory Gardens in Claypool Hill, VA with a committal service. Relatives and friends will serve as pallbearers. The family will receive friends from 6-8 pm on Wednesday evening, April 14, 2021, at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints. Members of the Casey-Shortt VFW Post #9640 will conduct military graveside rites. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorial contributions/donations be made in his name to the Richlands Lions Club, P.O. Box 277, Richlands VA 24641;

Hurst-Scott Funeral Home in Richlands, Virginia is in charge of arrangements and those wishing to express sympathy online may do so at www.hurstscottfuneralhomes.com

Cemetery Details

Greenhills Memory Gardens

11800 Gov G.C. Peery Hwy
Cedar Bluff, VA 24609

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 14. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints
3645 Steelsburg Hwy
Cedar Bluff, VA 24609

Funeral Service

APR 15. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Claude Richard "Dick" Farthing*

January 14, 2023 at 04:24 PM



“ *Claude Richard "Dick" Farthing*

January 14, 2023 at 02:26 PM



“ *Sorry to hear about Richard's passing. He was a true gentlemen. Due to circumstances, I was unable to attend his funeral. I enjoyed working with him. Please accept my deepest sympathy.*

Sincerely, Jack Simmons

Phyllis Simmons - April 18, 2021 at 06:47 PM



“ *Dear Farthing family, We know how much your father was loved by all. He will be missed because he was so loved. Our family has been greatly blessed by your wonderful family throughout the years. Know that you are in our thoughts and prayers.*

Kim & Barney Henderson - April 14, 2021 at 11:38 AM

JH

“ To the Family & Friends of Mr. Farthing we send our deepest condolences. I knew him from my many years working for what began as S&S Machinery to Long Airdox. He was happy to help with any questions or whatever we needed & always a gentleman. My wife, Mary Sue, our son J. Todd & I will say a pray of comfort for his family & friends.

Jerry Hawkins - April 13, 2021 at 01:24 PM

SA

“ Smyth Co. Board of Supervisors & Administration purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Claude Richard "Dick" Farthing.



Smyth Co. Board of Supervisors & Administration - April 13, 2021 at 10:49 AM

LW

“ The Farthing Family,
My sincerest condolences in your loss. I have fond memories of the many years we were neighbors in Richlands. Prayers of comfort and peace for the difficult days ahead.



Lynda Lawson Whittington - April 13, 2021 at 10:29 AM



“ TonyanEdgar Wicks lit a candle in memory of Claude Richard "Dick" Farthing



TonyanEdgar Wicks - April 13, 2021 at 09:16 AM

KS

“ *Kathy Sneed lit a candle in memory of Claude Richard "Dick" Farthing*



Kathy Sneed - April 12, 2021 at 11:45 PM

AS

“ *Alisa Simmons-Snapp sent a virtual gift in memory of Claude Richard "Dick" Farthing*



Alisa Simmons-Snapp - April 12, 2021 at 08:32 PM

DH

“ *thank you for your services of the county !*



David Horton - April 12, 2021 at 07:59 PM

DA

“ *Sending my prayers to Zaneta & Duane and their families.*



Donna Short ridge Altizer - April 12, 2021 at 07:21 PM

AM

“ *Anita McGlothlin-Gibson lit a candle in memory of Claude Richard "Dick" Farthing*



Anita McGlothlin-Gibson - April 12, 2021 at 06:30 PM

WA

“ *Mr. C. Richard Farthing is known as a mentor, friend, and giant in the business world and community. Through the many years of working for and with him I saw his ability to build a broad base for his community. He devoted himself to service and promoted personal dedication to the performance of job duties and professionalism in employment. It was an honor to to have known him for a friend and employer. He was devoted to his church and spoke of the benefits afforded through the LDS Church. Always positive with a resolve to solve problems, he did greatly serve society.*

W. Angles - April 12, 2021 at 05:51 PM

RA

“ *James and I are so sorry for your loss sending prayers and hugs. Mr and Mrs Farthing both were great neighbors and friends, when we lived in Richlands. May you find comfort and peace.*



James and Ruby Asbury

Ruby Asbury - April 12, 2021 at 05:05 PM