



## Ricky Gillespie

April 21, 1961 - August 22, 2021

### Ricky Gillespie

Belvedere, SC – Memorial Services for Mr. Ricky Gillespie, 60, who entered into rest August 22, 2021, will be conducted Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock in the Posey Funeral Chapel with Pastor Alan Tillman officiating. The family will receive friends at the funeral home prior to the service from 2:30 until 4 o'clock. The service will be streamed live at the following link: <http://www.poseyfuneraldirectors.com/obituaries/permalink/10101243/LTWebcast>

Mr. Gillespie was a lifelong resident of Belvedere and a member of Bible Baptist Church. He was also a member of the Local Union 1579 and retired with 35 years of service with the IBEW. Mr. Gillespie enjoyed spending time outdoors and was actively involved with Belvedere baseball for over 35 years, where he loved coaching and mentoring the youth of the community. His faith and love for the Lord was strong. He extended his Christ-like love to everyone, never meeting a stranger. Mr. Gillespie genuinely cared for others, always engaged in conversation and offered respect to everyone he met. He will be fondly remembered for the overwhelming love he had for his family and friends. Mr. Gillespie's pride and joy were his grandchildren, who affectionately called him "Grumps." He was preceded in death by his father, Arnold Richard "Red" Gillespie, Jr., and his mother, Carole Woods.

Survivors include his wife of 32 years, Wanda Gillespie; a daughter, Keely Gillespie (Ty) Barkell, Aiken, SC; a son, Brant Gillespie, Belvedere, SC; a sister, April (Frank) Leischner, Graniteville, SC; two grandchildren, Slade Barkell and Tatum Barkell.

Honorary Pallbearers will be Mark Gregory, Tyler Gregory, Brian McGowan, Brian Paul, Marvin McClendon, Marvin Clary, Eric Clary, Gary Cartrett and David Marabel.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Bible Baptist Church, 384 Murrah Road, North Augusta, SC 29860.

Posey Funeral Director of North Augusta is in charge of arrangements (803)278-1181.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG **29**. 2:30 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Posey Funeral Directors  
1307 Georgia Avenue  
North Augusta, SC

## Memorial Service

AUG **29**. 4:00 PM (ET)

Posey Funeral Chapel  
1307 Georgia Avenue  
North Augusta, SC 29841

# Tribute Wall



“ Posey Funeral Directors created a Tribute Video in memory of Ricky Gillespie



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**Posey Funeral Directors** - August 28, 2021 at 04:13 PM



“ Posey Funeral Directors created a Webcast in memory of Ricky Gillespie



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**Posey Funeral Directors** - August 26, 2021 at 10:06 AM

SG

*Great service for a Special man!!! God bless and hold the family close. Ricky will be missed by All who knew him! Love and prayers, Sue Griffin*

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**Sue Griffin** - August 29, 2021 at 06:09 PM



“ *Ricky Gillespie*

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October 06, 2023 at 06:29 AM



“ *Ricky Gillespie*

September 24, 2022 at 12:12 PM



“ *Cathy Hewett Hatcher lit a candle in memory of Ricky Gillespie*



**Cathy Hewett Hatcher** - August 29, 2021 at 03:52 PM



“ *Mary Ellen McCain lit a candle in memory of Ricky Gillespie*



**Mary Ellen McCain** - August 28, 2021 at 11:23 PM



“ *72 files added to the album LifeTributes*



**Posey Funeral Directors** - August 28, 2021 at 03:52 PM



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



August 28, 2021 at 01:18 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Ricky Gillespie.*



August 28, 2021 at 11:58 AM



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



August 28, 2021 at 09:18 AM



“ *So sad. Belvedere will always be better due to Mr. Ricky Gillespie.*

**Wayne Boyce** - August 27, 2021 at 01:28 PM

LF

“ What a wonderful person Ricky was. He came into my life via Dixie League baseball. He was known for finding needy kids whose experience with baseball could change lives. I remember that he found a boy outside the laundromat and that boy continued with baseball through high school going on to joining the Marines. He would provide transportation and equipment for the boys he helped. Tears were in his eyes when I informed him of the early death of one of his players that he helped so much. His legacy will live on. My sympathies to his family. Lyn Fleming

lyn fleming - August 27, 2021 at 10:44 AM

KW

“ I knew Rick 4 a long time, he was easy going and funny 2 be around. With his baseball background with the kids I used to call him Mr belvedere, he liked that.Its a shame to loose a great friend and wonderful human being with so much 2 offer younger people. I will greatly miss him. May the Lord have mercy on him and his family Good Bless Ken Wheatley. 1579 retired member

Kenneth Wheatley - August 27, 2021 at 09:58 AM



“ Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Ricky Gillespie.



August 27, 2021 at 12:08 AM

VK

“ So sorry for your loss. It was a blessing to have known Ricky. My family will always have fond memories of baseball and friendship . We will keep you in our prayers 🙏  
Vickie Patrick and Tyler Kaney

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**vickie kaney** - August 26, 2021 at 09:30 PM

JK

*He was a great help and influence to me through all his coaching during my childhood. One of the absolute best He was always in my corner and had my back. I will never forget the impact.*

Jay Knotts

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**Jay Knotts** - August 27, 2021 at 09:13 AM

AW

*Ricky was a close friend of the Weaver family. He grew up in our neighborhood and ran around with our 3 older boys. He played football with our son Todd, and shared many good times at our house. I can remember taking the boys to their first middle school dance sense they were not old enough to drive yet. How funny they were around their dates for that dance. Ricky was a fine young man and he will be missed by the whole Weaver family.*

Adrian and Dianne Weaver

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**Adrian Weaver** - August 27, 2021 at 02:53 PM

JB

“ So sorry for your loss. Ricky was a wonderful inspiration for many kids. He would always do whatever he needed to do for the kids.



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**Jane Brown** - August 26, 2021 at 09:16 PM



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



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August 26, 2021 at 07:15 PM



“ *Lee Bultman lit a candle in memory of Ricky Gillespie*



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**Lee Bultman** - August 26, 2021 at 04:55 PM