



Richard Carroll Armstrong Sr

February 28, 1948 - September 28, 2024

Richard Carroll Armstrong Sr., age 76, of Ozark, Arkansas, went to his heavenly home on, Saturday, September 28, 2024 in Fort Smith, Arkansas.

Richard was born on February 28, 1948 in Modesto, California to J.W. and Juanita Crouch Armstrong. He met the love of his life, Judith, in the eighth grade and they spent the next 62 years sharing life together. He was an avid OHS class of 1966 football player. He attended ATU in Russellville and graduated United Electronics Institute, Dallas, Texas. Upon graduation they moved to Houston, Texas and worked at Houston Light and Power before moving back to Ozark to help his dad and brother build Armstrong Turkey Farm. They raised turkeys, cattle, hay and ran a shavings mill for 34 years. He then went to work for SGL Carbon and retired. Richard was an active Gideon for 51 years, a board member for Clear Creek Baptist Association, served as a deacon at First Baptist Church for 48 years and was active in the children's department. He was an Arkansas Farm Bureau state board member for eight years and held multiple offices in Franklin County Farm Bureau over 44 years, a member of Cattlemen's Association and volunteered with the Franklin County Food Pantry, and enjoyed traveling.

Richard is preceded in death by his parents, J.W. and Juanita Crouch Armstrong. He is survived by his wife of 56 years, Judith Waldron Armstrong; one son, Richard Armstrong and wife Julie Eveld Armstrong of Ozark,

Arkansas; one daughter, Kimberly Zwiesler and husband, Dr. Daniel Zwiesler of Spokane, Washington; his four beautiful granddaughters, Shelby Armstrong Melton and husband Caleb Melton of Rogers, Arkansas, Isabella Grace Zwiesler and husband Nathan Ivanoff of Spokane, Washington, Abigail Jaree Zwiesler of La Mirada, California, Olivia Kate Zwiesler of Spokane, Washington; three handsome great grandsons, Wes, Gunner, and Jeb Melton of Rogers, Arkansas; one brother, Gregory H. Armstrong and wife Donna Armstrong of Ozark; one sister, Dathyl McKenzie of Ozark; many aunts and uncles, sisters-in-law and spouses and numerous nieces and nephews all of whom he loved dearly.

Richard loved the LORD and loved to spoil his four Beauties and three handsome little men. He always believed, and lived it, if you love someone or a cause you better be willing to stand firm and let God walk with you through the good and the bad.

A Celebration of Life will be 10:00 A.M., Saturday, October 5, 2024 at the First Baptist Church Activities Building, 304 West Market Street in Ozark, with Brother Ben Lairamore officiating. Cremation arrangements were made under the direction of Shaffer Funeral Home.

Honorary pallbearers will be Daniel Zwiesler, Caleb Melton, Nathan Ivanoff, Ted Darling, Mac Bornmann, John Parrish, Bill Bowen, Grady Chancey, Jerry Reagan, P.D. Gramlich, and Dale Abbott.

In lieu of flowers the family requests donations to be made to Gideon's International P.O. Box 97251 Washington, DC 20090-7251, Mt View Cemetery Association 2605 W. Commercial Street Ozark, Arkansas 72949, and Franklin County Food Pantry Altus-Ozark Council of Churches P.O. Box 338 Ozark, Arkansas 72949.

To leave an online memorial visit www.shafferfuneralhomeweb.com

Previous Events

Celebration of Life Service

OCT 5. 10:00 AM (CT)

First Baptist Church Activity Center
304 W. Market Street
Ozark, AR 72949

Tribute Wall

DW

“ *David Whiteis lit a candle in memory of Richard Armstrong*



David Whiteis - October 06, 2024 at 01:14 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Richard Carroll Armstrong Sr.*



October 04, 2024 at 10:25 AM

MM

“ *Mary M. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Richard Carroll Armstrong Sr.*

Mary M. - October 04, 2024 at 10:25 AM

JG

“ *Deepest condolences to the family and friends. So very sorry for your loss.*



Jim Gilbert - October 03, 2024 at 07:51 PM

AM

“ Annie Mohr sent a virtual gift in memory of Richard Armstrong



Annie Mohr - October 03, 2024 at 08:48 AM

VK

“ Richard was a wonderful Christian man Who loved the Lord, loved is beautiful wife, Judith, and his precious family. May God continue to be your source of strength and you find peace and rest in God's love. Knowing he met, Jesus and his heavenly family, there will definitely be a celebration a life and that is a blessing. I will continue to pray for you, Judith, and your precious family, and know that you are loved and thought of And prayed for daily my sister in Christ.



Vicki Brown King - October 02, 2024 at 06:09 PM

SK

“ Judith, Richard was a wonderful, kind man. I'm so sorry for your loss. May God help you through this rough time. He will be missed. Love you, Trent and Sheri King

sheri king - October 02, 2024 at 10:27 AM

DE

“ Doris Earp lit a candle in memory of Richard Armstrong



Doris Earp - October 02, 2024 at 09:51 AM

PJ

“ *This is sad news. I have worked for and with Richard many years ago and was a pleasure to work with, always a smile and kind words and he would roll up his sleeves and get right in there elbow to elbow with you on any job we were doing. I'm sure going to miss him...*

Paul Johnson - October 01, 2024 at 07:59 PM