



## Richard "Dick" Strickland

July 22, 1936 - April 30, 2022

Richard "Dick" Ross Strickland of Ironton, MO entered into rest on Saturday, April 30, 2022 at the age of 85 Years, 9 Months 8 Days. Dick was born in Bonne Terre, MO to the late Emile Welton and Pauline Adline (Ross) Strickland.

On May 7, 1966 Dick was united in marriage to Mary Jane Glore who preceded him in rest on March 6, 2021. To this union two daughters were born, Thela Marie Strickland of Ironton, MO who survives and Jane Ellen Smith who preceded them in rest on July 30, 2012. Other survivors include a sister-in-law Jan Reeves and husband Ken of Arcadia, MO, and many loving nieces, nephews, family members and friends.

As a young man Dick served his country in the United States Army and then later went on to receive his Master's Degree in education from Southeast Missouri University. He was an elementary school art teacher for many years until his retirement 30 years ago. After he retired he followed his passion and worked on genealogy with his wife Jane and a few close friends. Together they were members of the St. Clair Genealogy club in Belleville, IL, they loved cats and a few select dogs, and were members of the Presbyterian Church of Farmington, MO.

Dick will be missed by all who knew and loved him.

A Visitation for Dick will be held on Thursday, May 05, 2022 from 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm at Cole Family Chapel. A Celebration of Life will be held on Friday, May 06, 2022 at Farmington Presbyterian Church beginning at 1:00 pm.

Interment will follow the services in the St. Francois Memorial Park. Pastor Racquel Tomacruz will be officiating the services.

# Cemetery Details

**St. Francois Memorial Park**

## Previous Events

### Visitation

**MAY 5.** 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Cole Family Funeral Home  
210 E Reynolds St  
Ironton, MO 63650  
(573) 546-0742

### Celebration of Life

**MAY 6.** 1:00 PM (CT)

Farmington Presbyterian Church  
403 W Columbia St PO Box 348  
Farmington, MO 63640  
(573) 756-4482

# Tribute Wall



“ *Richard "Dick" Strickland*

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August 31, 2022 at 12:46 PM



“ *I remember Mr Strickland from elementary school! He helped me learn to love art and was one of my favorites! I always wondered if he was still teaching as I grew up and I hope he knew he left lasting impressions! Prayers for peace and comfort! He was a wonderful person!*

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**Sarah Hinrichs** - May 18, 2022 at 09:10 PM



“ *A wonderful cousin! So glad we kept in touch over the past years. He was always a delight to share stories with. He will be missed. Ruth Ann [Strickland] Umfleet*

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**Ruth Umfleet** - May 08, 2022 at 12:33 AM

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“ The class of 1954, Flat River High School., would like to express our most heartfelt and sincere condolences to daughter Thela, other family members and friends of our classmate Richard “Dick” Strickland. Dick was a proud member of the class of 54’ and attended as many class related activities as possible until health and other family responsibilities prevented him from doing so. Dick enjoyed helping plan the class reunions and also enjoyed participating in the programs at the events. Dick will be missed by those who knew him as a classmate, a friend and one who was always willing to help with the activities of the class in any way he could. Rest in peace Dick and enjoy your reunion with Jane, the one who you faithfully took care of in such a wonderful way in her time of need. And a special thanks to Thela who took exceeding good care of her Dad when he needed one to care for him.  
Dale St. Gemme on behalf of the Class of 1954, Flat River High School

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**Dale St. Gemme** - May 03, 2022 at 05:20 PM



“ Sending my sincere condolences to the family. Mr. Strickland was a kind man and will be remembered fondly.

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**Sarah Robison** - May 02, 2022 at 07:59 PM