



## Richard Eston Price

October 26, 1951 - January 16, 2014

Richard Eston Price, age 62 of Rensselaer passed away Thursday, January 16, 2014 in Rensselaer. Rick was born October 26, 1951 in Lafayette, Indiana, the son of Rollo Eston "Bud" Price and Mary Louise (Dickerson) Price, both deceased. He is survived by two siblings, William Gene Price (wife Terri) of Greenwood, Indiana, and Dr. Patti Price of Menlo Park, California, along with one niece, Lisa and two great-nieces.

Rick graduated Rensselaer Central High School with the Class of 1969. He attended Indiana University, Bloomington, obtaining his B.A. in Psychology in 1974 and continued, and completed his M.A. in School Psychology in 1976. Rick worked as School Psychologist for Iowa Department of Education, then moved to Houston, Texas and worked for HISD until 1978 as a School Psychologist. He began work on his Doctorate in Counseling Psychology and completed his Ed.D. in 1987 from University of Houston.

Rick lived in Marshalltown and Ames, Iowa, and Springfield, Missouri, and returned to Rensselaer from Los Angeles, California in October, 2005, and lived with father until his death May, 2007.

He was a member, Ordained Elder, and Session participant of First Presbyterian Church of Rensselaer. He was also a member of the Northside Pool League and the Men's Bridge Club.

Rick enjoyed exercising, jogging, weight lifting, and music. He was a DJ at Clubs in Iowa, Houston, and L.A. He also enjoyed dancing, bicycle riding, hiking, and camping, among other activities.

Friends will be received at the Jackson Funeral Chapel of Rensselaer Sunday, January 19, 2014 from 2-5 P.M. CST. Funeral services will be held at the First Presbyterian Church in Rensselaer Monday, January 20, 2014 at 10:30 A.M. CST with Pastor James Dougans officiating. Burial will follow at Memory Gardens Cemetery, Rensselaer.

Rick asks that in lieu of flowers, please consider donating to A.S.P.C.A., American Heart Fund, or Saint Jude Children's Research Hospital.

# Cemetery Details

## Memory Gardens of Rensselaer

Memory Gardens  
Rensselaer, IN 47978  
(219) 866-5125  
info@jacksonfuneral.com

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**JAN 19.** 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM (CT)

Jackson Funeral Chapel of Rensselaer  
250 N. McKinley Avenue  
P.O. Box 70  
Rensselaer, IN 47978  
(219) 866-5123  
info@jacksonfuneral.com  
<https://www.jacksonfuneral.com>

## Service

**JAN 20.** 10:30 AM (CT)

First Presbyterian Church of Rensselaer  
220 N. Cullen Street  
Rensselaer, IN 47978  
(219) 866-7005  
churchoffice@firstpresrensselaer.org  
<http://www.firstpresrensselaer.org/>

# Tribute Wall



“ Jackson Funeral Chapels created a Tribute Video in memory of Richard Eston Price



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**Jackson Funeral Chapels** - January 16, 2014 at 12:00 AM

MF

“ I have known Rick since the 1st grade although we both followed very different paths after high school. He usually sat at the desk to my right or behind me as we were almost always placed in alphabetical order back then. I will always remember his undying (almost raffish) sense of humor! He was always full of life and I don't think he met anyone with whom he could not speak on their level. So nonjudgmental in those socially turbulent times! Years later, we both returned to the Rensselaer area in the same year and I was not surprised to learn he had a Dr's degree in psychology. We had both lived in CA & TX so we had much to talk about. I am so deeply saddened by his early demise and have a deep sense of regret that I did not spend more time visiting him these past few years. Deepest sympathy to his family whom he spoke of often and with much affection. As the Italians say, “Ora dorme con gli angeli”.

Mary

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**Mary Finn** - January 27, 2014 at 07:08 PM

NM

“ I met Rick in the early 90's through working in Gero-psych. We became fast friends and for awhile he was my supervisor. Rick's spirit was indomitable and he showed much care and compassion for those around him. Even after he changed jobs and moved back to Indiana, we kept in touch. Rick especially touched my heart when he expressed feeling upset with me for not asking him to go with me back East when my mother died. He was hurt that I did not consider that he would do that for me. This is a perfect example of the extent Rick valued the people he cared about. Rick was so loving and generous. We cried at times, had heart to heart talks, argued but mostly laughed together. Thank you Rick for being there, through it all.

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**Naomi Marks** - January 26, 2014 at 02:26 PM

VI

“ 40 files added to the tribute wall



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**Victoria** - January 26, 2014 at 01:23 PM

RB

“ Rick Price always seemed one step ahead of me in his knowledge of the world. He has taken another step. Some people might say he took a giant leap forward a week ago Thursday. From what I have witnessed, when people I loved passed on, I think a single step describes it better. The veil is lifted. Our loved one leaves behind his natural body. With one step he enters into another world. His survivors take small comfort in their leave taking through prescribed rituals of farewell. Jesus, however, was blunt: "Let the dead bury the dead. Come, follow me," he said. And so we do with that final step from this life to the next. This is my belief.

*I have on my desk, and there it will remain, the photo taken last May of us college friends gathered about Rick's backyard swing. There is a quality of light to that photo, a light that illuminates the happiness we all felt the moment the photo was snapped. For one brief moment, in unison, our hearts were content to be at this one place. Rick brought us there. It seems to me, he continues to lead the way. Of course, if Rick were to have the last say, he would say he was, "leading us on." I can hear his warmhearted chuckle now.*

*Rick Bosler*

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**Richard Bosler** - January 26, 2014 at 09:58 AM

JM

“ Rick was a student in my graduate course at the University of Houston. I quickly recognized his exceptionalism. He later moonlighted as a child therapist at Plan 21. I was the CEO. From there we became friends. Rick had an indomitable spirit which will exceed his years on earth. Michael the Archangel is the guardian of souls. I am sure that Rick is now under his powerful protection. Joe Madonia

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**JM** - January 25, 2014 at 06:57 PM

CO

“ Cheryl Schultz Oreskovich lit a candle in memory of Richard Eston Price



Cheryl Schultz Oreskovich - January 25, 2014 at 11:40 AM

CO

Our class of 1969 has sent another member home. We will certainly miss Rick at the gathering of our next reunion. May God watch over him. Deepest Sympathy. Cheryl Schultz Oreskovich

Cheryl Schultz Oreskovich - January 25, 2014 at 11:43 AM

MO

“ Rick and I met in 1980 when I was assigned as his advisor for his doctoral program. He was a stellar student and educated me and others in so many ways throughout the 34 years that we have known each other. You had an uncanny way of making the lives of others so much better. I lit some lavender incense for you which are my deceased parents favorite in our home altar. I played the very first tape of disco songs that you made for me in 1981. Mahalo for being a wonderful person in my life. The Japanese say "Geido Ichidai" which means once in a lifetime. Yeah buddy a person like you comes along once in a lifetime. Please know that you made a difference! :) mike

michael omizo - January 23, 2014 at 10:55 PM

JB

“ Rick, take care on your journey. Don't forget your pool cue and your DJ equipment. You must be somewhere around, I can still hear you laugh...

Jim Baughman - January 23, 2014 at 06:43 PM

KE

“ *Bill and Patti, God Bless you both now and always.  
Now he can have a Nos Drovia with Bud and Eddie.  
I will never forget his laugh!*



**Kathryn Urbanczyk Engstrom** - January 22, 2014 at 12:00 AM

PP

*Thanks, Kathy! I remember your mother (sarcastically) complimenting Dad on his bilingualism :-). Thanks for the kind thoughts about Rick, and best wishes to you, Patti*

**Patti Price** - February 03, 2014 at 09:21 AM

KE

“ *Kathryn Urbanczyk Engstrom lit a candle in memory of Richard Eston Price*



**Kathryn Urbanczyk Engstrom** - January 21, 2014 at 11:50 PM

KB

“ *Rick, Sheldon and I will miss you bunches! Hugs, Kelle and Sheldon*

**Kelle Bennett** - January 21, 2014 at 12:30 PM

JW

“ As a former F & M bank employee in Rensselaer that always wondered who that lady was that had a baby stroller with not one, two, but three little ones in it, you can be sure I was eventually enlightened when Rollo E. Price was hired away from Financial service, down by the bridge, to work at the Farmers and Merchants Bank. Thereafter we got to hear about 'those three' every day !!! It was mostly about bath time at the Prices. I guess Rollo thought that since we were all old-maids there we should be exposed to some real family life! So, Patti and Bill, tho we have not eye-balled each other much, especially these latter years, I want to extend my sympathy to you both....may life continue well for you. Madalyn Miller Wood

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**Joe and Madalyn Wood** - January 21, 2014 at 11:32 AM

PP

*Thanks Madalyn, for the kind thoughts. I know that Dad much appreciated you! Patti*

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**Patti Price** - February 03, 2014 at 09:26 AM

SA

“ Sharon Adams lit a candle in memory of Richard Eston Price



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**Sharon Adams** - January 20, 2014 at 06:13 PM

AC

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



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**Anson Cox** - January 20, 2014 at 09:51 AM

AC

*Rick you were a big part of my life. You will truly be missed.*

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**Anson Cox** - January 20, 2014 at 09:55 AM

NM

*Hi Anson! I'm Rick's friend, Naomi. Rick loved you so much and he spoke of how important you were in his life.*

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**Naomi Marks** - January 26, 2014 at 02:06 PM

DB

*The was the Rick Price I knew in the mid 1970s. He was my student at IU. He was a strikingly handsome man. He was fun and funny. Everyone really liked him. Too soon, much too soon Rick*

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**Dr. Christopher Barbrack** - September 17, 2014 at 09:43 PM

RM

“ *Have missed you so much, will miss you even more now that you are gone. Ruth Williams Moore*

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**Ruth Moore** - January 19, 2014 at 08:00 PM

JK

“ *Judy Nesius Koebcke lit a candle in memory of Richard Eston Price*



Judy Nesius Koebcke - January 19, 2014 at 05:20 PM

JH

“ *JERRY HAMMOND lit a candle in memory of Richard Eston Price*



JERRY HAMMOND - January 19, 2014 at 03:30 PM

VD

“ *Rick, you kept your sense of humor through all of the difficult times you've been through even to the end. I am richer for knowing you, my dear old friend. Am so glad you made a commitment to Christ and look forward to seeing you in heaven.*  
*Victoria Dodge*

Victoria Dodge - January 19, 2014 at 07:21 AM

MK

“ *1 file added to the album Tribute Wall*



Michael Keller - January 19, 2014 at 01:19 AM

MK

“ 3 files added to the album Tribute Wall



Michael Keller - January 19, 2014 at 01:18 AM

MK

*I met Rick playing pool in Silverlake, CA in 1992. We had some great adventures camping together, especially our trips to the Saline Valley, CA to our beloved hot springs, a place like no other. We went through the LA riots together, played bridge, played a lot of pool and clubbed it in our younger years. Hard to believe he's gone. I hope he's at peace but I know his spirit is splashing in the hot springs in the Saline Valley.*

Michael Keller - January 19, 2014 at 01:27 AM

NM

*Hi Mike! I know you were such an important part of Rick's life. It's hard to believe he's gone. Things were not always easy being a friend of Rick's but I always knew he cared, in a deep way for his friends and family. Trust that he truly loved and valued your friendship. Naomi*

Naomi Marks - January 26, 2014 at 02:10 PM

BE

“ Rick and I met in class at IU in the 70's...we fast became dear friends and dance partners! Rick and I shared some fun and great times together. We lost touch...however, I'm so appreciative that Rick took the time to re-connect with me about a year ago!

*Thanks for some wonderful memories...Rest in Peace...*

*Beverly Bennett-Roberts, Silver Spring, MD*



Beverly - January 18, 2014 at 10:36 PM

BM

“ *Becky Van Meter lit a candle in memory of Richard Eston Price*



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**Becky Van Meter** - January 18, 2014 at 02:54 PM

M"

“ *Rick we knew this day will come. We both laugh like crazy at the mere fact that you will try to control your destination till the end of your time. Now, here I stand in your happy place as you called it wondering if you will be standing next to me with a pool stick in your left hand yelling "come on Molly, it's your turn!" LOL*

*You are missed. "Molly" Ms. Calhoun*

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**Martha Calhoun "Molly"** - January 18, 2014 at 01:03 PM

CB

“ *Jim and I will miss our friend and neighbor immensely.*



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**Carole Beaver** - January 17, 2014 at 05:26 PM

NK

“ *Nathan And Jody Knoth lit a candle in memory of Richard Eston Price*



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**Nathan and Jody Knoth** - January 17, 2014 at 11:26 AM