



## Richard Keith Streitmatter

November 4, 1928 - September 4, 2019

Richard Keith Streitmatter, 90, of Rensselaer, Indiana passed away Thursday, September 4, 2019 at the Rensselaer Care Center.

Keith was born in Jasper County, Indiana on November 4, 1928, the son of Richard and Zura Ethel (nee Snedeker) Streitmatter. He was a lifetime resident and a 1946 graduate of Rensselaer High School.

On June 2, 1951, Keith married Marlene Torbet in Rensselaer.

A veteran of the United States Army, Keith served during the Korean War and was discharged on June 11, 1953. He returned home to Jasper County and began farming, an occupation he dearly loved. Keith was a member of the American Legion Post #228, Francesville, Indiana.

A member of the First Baptist Church in Francesville, he was a former Deacon, Trustee and Sunday School teacher. Keith served on the Jasper County REMC Board of Directors from 1977 through 1986. While a member Keith held the position of Vice President from December 1983 to June 1986.

Keith loved his family and found great joy in attending 4-H and sporting events of his 13 grandchildren.

Surviving with his loving wife of 68 years Marlene is a daughter, Marla (Doug) Swafford of Dayton, Ohio; two sons, Mark (Becky) Streitmatter and Mike (Cheri) Streitmatter both of Rensselaer; a daughter-in-law, Julie Streitmatter of New Harmony, Indiana; thirteen grandchildren, seven great grandchildren, and one brother, Dale (Barb) Streitmatter.

Keith was preceded in death by his parents, one son, Melvin Streitmatter, two grandsons, Samuel R. Streitmatter and Aaron Streitmatter, three sisters, Lois (Irvin) Yaggie, Edith Streitmatter and E. Joan (Harvey) Gutwein, two brothers-in-law, and a cousin who was raised in their home, James (Rose) Wren.

Friends may visit with the family at the Jackson Funeral Chapel in Rensselaer on Sunday, September 8, 2019 from 3:00 to 7:00 p.m. CDT. Funeral services will be held at 10:00 a.m. CDT on Monday, September 9, 2019 at the Jackson Funeral Chapel in Rensselaer with Pastor Dennis Gutwein and Pastor Roger Cryan officiating. Burial with military honors will follow at Memory Gardens Cemetery in Rensselaer. Memorials may be made to the Baptist Children's Home in Valparaiso, Indiana or to the charity of the donor's choice.

# Cemetery Details

## Memory Gardens of Rensselaer

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

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP 8. 3:00 PM - 7:00 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>

## Funeral Service

SEP 9. 10:00 AM (CT)

Jackson Funeral Chapel of Rensselaer  
250 N. McKinley Avenue  
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# Tribute Wall



“ Jackson Funeral Chapels created a Tribute Video in memory of Richard Keith Streitmatter



Jackson Funeral Chapels - September 07, 2019 at 05:21 PM



“ 60 files added to the album Life Tributes



Jackson Funeral Chapels - September 07, 2019 at 05:03 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Richard Keith Streitmatter.



September 07, 2019 at 11:18 AM

KD

“ *My prayers and sympathy to the Streitmatter family. My dad introduced me to Keith and your family through our seed company Diener Seeds. What a good man and what a good family. Rest now Keith and may God Bless you and your family.*

Kevin Diener - September 07, 2019 at 05:29 AM



“ 1 file added to the album *Life Tributes*



Jackson Funeral Chapels - September 06, 2019 at 05:45 PM

PC

“ *Keith called my Nickle Smith which was a lot easier to say than Penny Veldhuizen. Condolences from the Veldhuizen family.*



Penny Veldhuizen Carey - September 06, 2019 at 11:34 AM

PF

“ *Pablo & Lorie Padilla & Family purchased the Crystal Cross Bouquet for the family of Richard Keith Streitmatter.*



Pablo & Lorie Padilla & Family - September 06, 2019 at 11:08 AM

CJ

“ Clay & Janet lit a candle in memory of Richard Keith Streitmatter



Clay & Janet - September 06, 2019 at 10:13 AM

CV

We will always remember that laugh, that smile and that twinkle in the eyes of our Uncle Keith as we celebrate a life well lived! Thank-you for all of the life lessons and the great example of love you were to everyone in your life. Words will never be able to express how much we love our dear Uncle Keith and how much we will miss him in our lives. We share our deepest condolences with all of our Streitmatter and Torbet family.

Clay & Janet Vass - September 06, 2019 at 10:26 AM

TC

“ The Ward & Doris (Torbet) Vass Family Cousins purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Richard Keith Streitmatter.



The Ward & Doris (Torbet) Vass Family Cousins - September 06, 2019 at 10:12 AM



“ Cindy Stath lit a candle in memory of Richard Keith Streitmatter



Cindy Stath - September 06, 2019 at 09:15 AM



*My deepest condolences to the Streitmatter family. Our dad's were "cut from the same cloth". Marla was my dearest friend for many years.*

**Cindy Stath** - September 06, 2019 at 09:15 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Richard Keith Streitmatter.*



September 06, 2019 at 08:54 AM



“ *Nancy Schroeder Zobrosky lit a candle in memory of Richard Keith Streitmatter*



**Nancy Schroeder Zobrosky** - September 05, 2019 at 11:37 PM



*So sorry for your loss. Nancy Schroeder Zobrosky*

**Nancy Schroeder Zobrosky** - September 05, 2019 at 11:39 PM



“ *Mary Jo Casey lit a candle in memory of Richard Keith Streitmatter*



**Mary Jo Casey** - September 05, 2019 at 10:04 PM

ML

“ So sorry for your loss. Our families, 4-h and great neighbors. So many great times and memories.



Mark and Angie Lawrence - September 05, 2019 at 08:01 PM

DW

“ Don And Gloria Waymouth lit a candle in memory of Richard Keith Streitmatter



Don and Gloria Waymouth - September 05, 2019 at 06:22 PM

ML

“ Marilyn Alberts Lowry lit a candle in memory of Richard Keith Streitmatter



Marilyn Alberts Lowry - September 05, 2019 at 06:00 PM



“ Rebecca Chastain lit a candle in memory of Richard Keith Streitmatter



Rebecca Chastain - September 05, 2019 at 05:32 PM

TD

“ *Sending prayers for you and your family Mark. 🙏🙏❤️❤� Tanny Dawson*

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**Tanny Dawson** - September 05, 2019 at 05:21 PM