



Richard Dale (Butch) Cottrell

August 4, 1949 - July 2, 2019

Richard Dale (Butch) Cottrell passed away July 2, 2019 at St. Josephs Health Center in St. Charles, MO. Richard was 69 years old. His desire was to be cremated.

A Celebration of Life Memorial Service will be held at Tievoli Hills Resort main lodge July 20th 5:00-6:00 pm. A time of gathering will follow from 6:00-8:00pm.

Cremation rites were under the direction of Bibb-Veach Funeral Home in Bowling Green. Richard was born August 4, 1949 to Robert Cottrell and Anna Mae Stringer Cottrell in Pike County, MO. He grew up on the family farm in the rural Clarksville. He was a member of the Dover Baptist Church.

Richard graduated from Clopton High School. He attended Northeast Missouri State College for 4 years and graduated with a teaching degree in art.

Richard is survived by his beloved beagle, Buddy, one sister, Delores Burgmeyer and her special friend Richard Dowell, four brothers, Donald Cottrell and Sue Nell of Warner Robins, Georgia, Glen Cottrell and Sue of Louisiana, MO, John Cottrell and Marcy of Clarksville, MO, and Nathan Cottrell and Lee Amy of Marshfield, MO. He is also survived by many aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

Richard said, "The first time I saw the movie "Gone with the Wind," I fell in love with old southern houses." His dream was to someday own an antebellum mansion. He spent the rest of his life traveling and studying antebellum homes and helped restore a few.

Richard being a Clarksville native, set his eye on the Elgin house there. He decided the restoration of the Elgin/Cottrell house would be his last project, which he referred to as his "Swan Song."

Richard spent part of his retirement years working at Tievoli Hills Resort to help with the maintenance of his dream home. Richard was a beloved employee of Tievoli Hills Resort.

Previous Events

Memorial Celebration of Life

JUL 20. 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

Tievoli Hills Resort
25795 Hwy N
Clarksville, MO 63336

Celebration of Life Gathering

JUL 20. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

BS

“ So hard to believe that my dear dear friend is gone. So many memories of him while in college. He was so talented in art and antiques. Loved him much! He was so much fun to be around! Rest in peace Butchiebear! Bed Swain

Beverly Swain - August 13, 2019 at 08:22 PM

SN

“ My thoughts and prayers go out to Richard’s family and friends who I know are missing him greatly. I’m so thankful that we were brought together several years ago and he was able to educate me about my ancestors home. I returned on some additional occasions to bring others to meet him and tour the home and visit Clarkesville. He was a beacon of light and his spirit will continue to shine bright.

Sharon Wulff Naylor - August 04, 2019 at 01:47 PM

JD

“ What will we do without Richard's talent and artistic lifestyle? He was so full of knowledge about any antique, and I loved to hear him tell about the highlights of his house and contents and where he found them for a great price. I toured his house several times and even has lunch cooked for me and another friend a few times by Richard when we visited. I will truly miss the man and his dog. Buddy was a sweet beagle. Clarksville Missouri will miss Richard Cottrell also, he was always ready to help anyone, he so enjoyed his life



Janice K Dauksch - July 23, 2019 at 10:49 PM

LW

“ Lisa Watts lit a candle in memory of Richard Dale (Butch) Cottrell



Lisa Watts - July 19, 2019 at 10:27 AM

DC

“ I want to add my words of sympathy to the family and friends of "Butch" as he made a good impression on many people and restored an interesting home in Clarksville and had a magnificent collection of antiques and other important items. I remember meeting him on the times I entered the Tievoli Hills Resort, as he was the greeter at the entrance. D. Randall Cone, Louisiana, MO

D. Randall Cone - July 19, 2019 at 08:20 AM

LB

“ Our deepest sympathy to his family. He was a good friend to our family and I will always be grateful for his saving me and taking care of me during my mothers passing. Big heart❤️ Sensitive to others needs. I remember how much fun Butch was while going to Clopton school band events. He had great talents artistically and knew just how to solve any issue when it came to creating beautiful events. He will be missed, but never forgotten. RIP dear soul.



Lexie and David Biggs

lexie biggs - July 17, 2019 at 09:02 PM

Tammi
Ries-
McPike

“ Tammi Ries-McPike lit a candle in memory of Richard Dale (Butch) Cottrell



Tammi Ries-McPike - July 14, 2019 at 01:29 AM

BB

“ My memories of Butch began with his being our caretaker at Garth Woodside Mansion in Hannibal. Our group bought the Mansion and restored it and got it on thr national historic register. Butch brought his talent for decor antiques and Victorian architecture at a much needed time . After selling the place my husband Jim Boling and our daughters and I moved to Columbia, Mo. I lost my husband to cancer in 1996. I recently reconnected with Richard and I enjoyed all his writings and comments about his beautiful old home. So sad to hear of his passing, he will be missed by many. Such a kind, sweet soul!!!

Barbara Boling - July 13, 2019 at 11:20 PM

KF

“ Karen Funk lit a candle in memory of Richard Dale (Butch) Cottrell



Karen Funk - July 13, 2019 at 02:28 PM

EG

“ I knew Richard through his love for antiques, he always told me something I didn't know about them. Such a nice man. His sister and I were in the same class at school, she's nice too.

Ernestine Grimmertt - July 13, 2019 at 01:59 PM

AG

“ He was a dear sweet man that made everybody who met him feel like they were the most important person in the world to him. I miss him very much and I know he's already redecorated heaven. Godspeed and rest in peace Dear Heart.

April Greenman - July 13, 2019 at 01:07 PM

DM

“ I knew him as Mr. Cottrell, my art teacher in 7th and 8th grade. I loved to draw animals and people, but he taught us to draw buildings and vanishing points. I remember his lessons on Victorian architecture - houses with widow's walks and witches' towers. I think that really sparked my love for antebellum and Victorian gingerbread houses. May you rest in peace, gentle soul

Dianne Woods Montoya - July 13, 2019 at 10:30 AM

KT

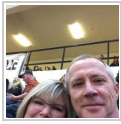
“ I didn't really know Richard very well, but had contact with him through our mutual love of antiques. He was kind, considerate and fun. He was helpful. We would talk about “stuff” we had acquired and happily commiserate about the antiques trade. He always had a story and I will miss him..

Kay Taliaferro - July 13, 2019 at 08:36 AM

JG

Richard was my art teacher in 5th grade. He always had a kind word or deed in hand. His contributions to the community were many.

Julia Garoutte - July 13, 2019 at 08:48 AM



While our elementary art teacher in Meriwether and Middle Schools in Louisiana, Richard (Mr. Cottrell in those days) would take us on field trips in the blocks around the schools to view the historic homes and point out the different architectural styles and periods. While not having any artistic talent myself, I still remember his knowledge and passion for that, and appreciate he wanted to share and teach it.

Tom Turley - July 13, 2019 at 09:32 AM

EL

Everyone really liked Richard and he will truly be missed

Elenora Lobb - July 13, 2019 at 09:40 AM

DT

Richard will always be in my heart. He was kind and loving and a very good friend. Always there when I needed him. Our little river town lost one of its most valued citizens. He will be missed

Donna Trent - July 13, 2019 at 09:42 AM



I met Butch in college. He was so much fun to be with, and shared his passion for art and antiques. I still have the antique wash stand he sold me for a pittance, because he said I should start owning antiques. So many memories.....

Diana Parson - July 13, 2019 at 10:23 AM

AH

Richard was one of my dear blogging friends. I had the pleasure of touring his beautiful home a few years ago. He was so very talented. I know Buddy is missing him.

Ann Hinrichs - July 13, 2019 at 12:39 PM

KO

Butch made all the flower bouquets and decorations for my wedding in 1982. When he saw my hat and veil he said: "Oh, we must fix this." Then proceeded to take scissors to the veil and in minutes it looked better than I ever imagined. Butch was kind, fun, talented, creative and had a heart of gold. Aunt Barbara Boling and I just talked about contacting him to meet up for lunch. So sad to hear this news. He was a good man.

Kiki Osterman - July 13, 2019 at 10:59 PM

DP

Lifelong friends with Richard since we were six! No matter where he was or I was we always stayed in touch and especially since he moved across the street from my parents house. There will never be anyone else like Richard! His heart was so big it just couldn't be contained in the body. I know he is with the Lord, free from pain, and all these earthly cares! See you on the other side Butchie!

Debra Peppers - July 14, 2019 at 12:52 AM