



## Richard A. Stuckey

August 8, 1930 - January 3, 2016

Richard Alvin Stuckey, 85, Topeka, died January 3, 2016, after a lifetime of service to his fellow Kansans as both a state employee and a leader of several service organizations.

Born August 8, 1930, Dick grew up in Hutchinson and developed what would be a lifetime love of baseball, first as a player good enough to draw looks from professional scouts and then as a coach in his adult years.

After graduating from Hutchinson High School, Dick went to work for the Kansas Highway Commission. Initially stationed in Leoti and Meade, Dick moved to Topeka in 1975 to work in the Kansas Transportation Department's materials lab. He retired from KDOT in 1995.

Dick was a dedicated member of several community and civic organizations, most notably the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He served both as Exalted Ruler of the Topeka lodge and as president of the state association. He also was an active Arab Shriner and member of Topeka's St. David's Episcopal Church.

Dick took a no nonsense approach to work and his family and community responsibilities, but he also had a teasing nature that won him many friends.

Dick was preceded in death by his parents, Alvin and Pearl Stuckey, and his wife, Lucy Stuckey. He is survived by a daughter, Riki Allison, and her husband, Ron, of Lebanon MO; step-son, Chuck Peoples and his wife, Eileen, of Shawnee KS; and step-daughter, Crysta Commerford and her husband, Jason, of Wichita KS; five grandchildren, Jessica Fellers, Matthew NC, Jana Allison, Joplin MO, Andy Peoples, San Jose CA, Brant Peoples, Shawnee KS, and Brennan Commerford, Overland Park KS; and ten great-grandchildren.

A Celebration of Dick's Life will be at 10 a.m. Friday at St. David's Episcopal Church. Inurnment will be in Hutchinson KS at a later date.

Please, no flowers, but instead kindly consider a donation to KETCH (Kansas Elks Training Center for the Handicapped) or to St. David's Episcopal Church, sent in care of Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home, 2801 SW Urish Road, Topeka KS 66614.

Condolences may be sent online to [www.kevinbrennanfamily.com](http://www.kevinbrennanfamily.com).

# Previous Events

## **A Celebration of Life**

JAN 8. 10:00 AM (CT)

St. David's Episcopal Church  
3916 SW 17th Street  
Topeka, KS 66604

# Tribute Wall



“ *Richard A. Stuckey*

January 28, 2023 at 12:08 PM



“ *Chuck, Crysta and Ricki, I'm so sorry for your loss. I have great memories of Dick when he and Roy Twist were my little league coaches when I played for Twist Oil. I was new to Meade and to little league baseball and they made it a fun a memorable experience. I remember those times and Coach Stuckey with fondness. Great memories. May he rest in peace in the arms of the Lord and may you all know that he is in a better place and at peace.*

*Topper Elffner  
Omaha, Nebraska*

Topper Elffner - January 06, 2016 at 07:41 PM



“ *In the 50's Richard was the Mobil Oil Station Little League coach, I was lucky enough to be on his team. That team always came in last of the 4 teams in Meade, we did not want to be on that team. Then we met coach Stuckey , we won the tournament!!! I have always remembered coach Stuckey. He was a no nonsense coach, we all had a great respect for him. Thank You Coach Stuckey, for the memories. Jerry Hickey*

Jerry Hickey - January 06, 2016 at 06:57 PM

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“ Brian Hantla purchased the *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* for the family of Richard A. Stuckey.



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**Brian Hantla** - January 06, 2016 at 11:35 AM

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“ May your God give you comfort in the coming days. I helped care for Richard at RHHC. We became friends. We had many conversations about "most anything". Also visited @ the nursing home. I missed our talks when he moved.

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**Marge Copp** - January 05, 2016 at 07:11 AM

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*Richard was my coach for most of my youth baseball years with Twist Oil. My position was catcher. Dick was the only person I was scared to catch for because he had so much ball movement. He was very talented and knowledgeable in the game of baseball.*

*We were neighbors from 1960 to 1975(?). We got to know Dick's family and had some great times together.*

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**Brian Hantla** - January 06, 2016 at 10:50 AM