



## Richard Clayborn Gandy

June 2, 1945 - April 29, 2021

Richard Clayborn Gandy, age 75, of Russellville, AL passed away on Thursday, April 29, 2021 at Helen Keller Hospital in Sheffield, AL.

Richard, also known as "Pete" or "R.C." was born on Saturday, June 02, 1945 in Leighton, Alabama to W.C. & Lassie (King) Gandy. When grown, he moved to Indiana where he worked and raised his family. He worked for 30 years as a millwright at Bethlehem Steel. He also owned several businesses over the years including Gandy's Cement Work, Gandy's Landscaping & Cement Works, Gandy's Landscaping & Lawn Irrigation, and Gandy's Landscaping & Topsoil. In 2000, he owned Cellular Site Construction and worked all over the Midwest on cell tower construction. He finally retired and moved to Alabama to have a hobby farm, "Liberty Farm".

One of the things he loved the most was making people happy, and he did so by developing "Happy Acres". This was the home to many parties, family get-togethers, graduation parties, Bible Story festivals, and even weddings. Everyone always enjoyed their times at Happy Acres, and especially loved the water slide and the bullet train that he built. He was a dedicated member of Quinn Memorial Church of Christ in Spruce Pine. Prior to that, he was an active member of Portage Church of Christ in Portage, Indiana for over 43 years. He was a caregiver to so many people over the years. He leaves behind so many wonderful memories and such a legacy to live by.

He was preceded in death by his parents, W.C. & Lassie Gandy; sister, Brenda Hill; and best friend, Jim Sink.

He leaves to cherish his memory, his wife of 56 years, Carolyn Diana Gandy; children, Denise (Mark) Price of Chesterton, IN, Dwayne (Shelley) Gandy of Altamonte Springs, FL, and Beth Gandy of Ocoee, FL; grandchildren, Mavric (Abigail) Price, Shelby Price, Lauren, Drew, AnnMarie, and Peyton Gandy; great-grandchildren, Maddox and Emersyn Price, soon to arrive, Griffin Price; brothers, Harvey Gandy, Jerry (Joyce) Gandy; sisters, Sue Hallmark, Bernice Riggs, Raye (W.H.) Ritchie, Dorothy Hatton, Louise Vandiver, Barbara Hagood, Faye (Cel) Perez, Mattie (Jerry) Whitworth, all of Alabama; and a host of nieces & nephews.

The pallbearers will be Mavric Price, Mark Price, Harlan Hallmark, Aubrey Gandy, Marty Vandiver, and Bryan Vandiver.

The visitation will be 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. Monday, May 3, 2021 at Spry Memorial Chapel, with the funeral following at 3:00 p.m. in the chapel. Officiating will be Bro. Dwayne Gandy and Bro. Lonnie Oldag. Burial will be at Tharptown Cemetery.

Spry Memorial Chapel assisted the family.

# Tribute Wall

TH

“ I worked with Rich for about 15 years. I always had a lot of respect for him. He was a good example of a Christian. I'm sure he will be missed. Sorry for your loss.

Terry Hansen - May 09, 2021 at 12:00 AM

RI

“ my condolences on your loss. worked at mill with him, richard zimnawoda

richard - May 07, 2021 at 12:00 AM

RS

“ Richard impacted so many with his godly life. His faith in God and the ability to see ?all that could be? inspired everyone to embrace his vision. He helped us do big things. Richard was a one of a kind. His exuberance and youthful enthusiasm set him apart. He used his time and energy to help others. He truly gave his life in the service of others. I love him dearly. I look forward to seeing him and my dad in Heaven. May God comfort Diana and the entire family. I love you all.

Randy Sink - May 05, 2021 at 12:00 AM

EB

“ Our sincere condolences.

Ed Brand - May 03, 2021 at 12:00 AM

KP

“ All of you are having n our thoughts & prayers.

*Nell Harrison Sumner  
Mary Harrison Riley  
Kay Harrison Patterson  
Barbara Harrison*

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**Kay Harrison Patterson** - May 03, 2021 at 12:00 AM

PH

“ Diana Barbara and I are so sorry for your loss. We will keep you in our prayers.

*Philip and Barbara Hutton*

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**Philip and Barbara Hutton** - May 03, 2021 at 12:00 AM

RC

“ Rich was a coworker of mine at Bethlehem Steel for 20 plus years. I knew him as a very considerate and respectful guy. He was easy to talk to and we had lots of one on one conversations. I feel fortunate to have known him. My condolences to his family. Sincerely,  
*Richard Candek*

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**Richard Candek** - May 02, 2021 at 12:00 AM

WR

“ To the Gandy Family , sorry for the loss of your brother Pete. May he Rest In Peace.

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**Wes & Marilyn Robinson** - May 02, 2021 at 12:00 AM

JE

“ I will always remember you!! Love you so much!!



Jewel - May 02, 2021 at 12:00 AM

RS

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Randy Sink - May 02, 2021 at 12:00 AM

CP

“ Diane and family  
Losing the one you love is so hard and we are praying for and your family for peace and comfort.for whatever you need right now. Be gentle with yourself and take all the time you need to heal. Carlie Perez (Cel's brothers and sisters)

Carlie Perez - May 02, 2021 at 12:00 AM

LS

“ So very sorry for your loss. Richard has no more pain, no more struggles, no more sorrow only joy and glory. Praying for all of you.  
Love, Lewis and Sandy

Lewis and Sandra Sink - May 01, 2021 at 12:00 AM