



## Cecil James Richards

June 20, 1945 - April 13, 2014

Cecil James Richards, age 68 of Valparaiso, IN passed away Sunday, April 13, 2014. He was preceded in death by his parents - the late James E. Richards and LaVerne F. Richards. Cecil enjoyed traveling, fishing, boating, working on antique cars, building computers, working with CB radios, flying and building RC airplanes, being outdoors, riding motorcycles and hunting wild mushrooms. He especially enjoyed spending time with his family and friends. He was a master mason at the Porter County Lodge #137. Cecil is survived by his children- Christopher (Caroline) Richards, Robert (Patty) Richards, Janice (Johnny) Denham, Sarah (Richard) Anderson, Joshua (Tina) Hardesty, Rachel (Thomas) Underwood, significant other - Pamela Hardesty and best friend - Robert Rosenbaum. He is also survived by 11 grandchildren – Maren, Hannah, Aaron, Lukas, Dustin, Ryan, Aliyah, Brittany, Johnny, Hannah and Maile. Funeral service Thursday, April 17, 2014 at 7 pm at Burns Funeral Home, 10101 Broadway, Crown Point, IN. Friends may visit with Cecil's family on Thursday from 3-7 pm prior to the service. Private graveside service will follow. [www.burnsfuneral.com](http://www.burnsfuneral.com)

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR 17. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Burns Funeral Home & Crematory - Crown Point  
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## Funeral

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# Tribute Wall

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“ I can't help but to flashback to the 90's when muscials first came to Wheeler Schools. Without Cecil's ability to run the sound, no one would have heard the music in our musicals in the old gym. How we argued, laughed and cried trying to rig that old gymnasium! Most importantly, I remember our stunned and celebratory expressions (Cecil's, Pam's and mine) when we pulled it off. My love and prayers to Pam, family and friends. Gwen

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**Gwen Taylor** - April 17, 2014 at 10:35 AM

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“ Shawn Thomas purchased the Sweet Tendernes s for the family of Cecil James Richards.



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**Shawn Thomas** - April 17, 2014 at 07:51 AM



“ Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Cecil James Richards.



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April 17, 2014 at 07:34 AM

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“ *Linda Oelke lit a candle in memory of Cecil James Richards*



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**Linda Oelke** - April 16, 2014 at 08:49 PM

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“ *3 files added to the tribute wall*



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**Mike Brown** - April 15, 2014 at 08:05 PM

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“ *1 file added to the album New Album Name*



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**Mike Brown** - April 15, 2014 at 05:44 PM

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“ *My Deepest Heartfelt Sympathies Pam, Chris, Bob, Jan and Sara and to the rest of the family.*

*Cecil was a Great friend!! I will miss my dear friend!!*

*Mike Brown*



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**Mike Brown** - April 15, 2014 at 05:38 PM



Janice  
Denham

*Thank you Mike. He really liked being with you and working with you on computers and planes.*

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**Janice Denham** - April 17, 2014 at 12:36 AM