



## Richard J. Brown Sr.

February 16, 1944 - February 15, 2022

Richard Brown, age 77 of Merrillville, IN, passed away on February 15, 2022. He was past President of Merrillville Civitan. Richard was the Grand Knight of the Merrillville Knights of Columbus, Council No. 13003. He also enjoyed boating, motorcycles and working on cars. Richard was preceded in death by his parents and his brother- John Brooks. He is survived by his wife- Lillian Brown, daughter- Sharon (Max) Konowalik, son- Richard Brown, Jr. and his spouse Joseph Lasell, grandson- Larry Konowalik, and his sister- Pam Schuetzenhofer. A visitation will be held on Sunday, February 20, 2022, from 2:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at Burns Funeral Home, 10101 Broadway, Crown Point, IN. A Knights of Columbus service will take place at 6:00 p.m. at Burns Funeral Home. Funeral service will be held on Monday, February 21, 2022, at 1:00 p.m. directly at Holy Martyrs Parish, 801 W. 73rd Ave., Merrillville, IN. Father Ted Mauch officiating. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to Merrillville Civitan or a charity of your choice. [www.burnsfuneral.com](http://www.burnsfuneral.com)

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB **20**. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Burns Funeral Home & Crematory - Crown Point  
10101 Broadway  
Crown Point, IN 46307  
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## Knights of Columbus service

FEB **20**. 6:00 PM (CT)

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## Funeral Service

FEB **21**. 1:00 PM (CT)

Holy Martyrs Parish  
801 W. 73rd Avenue  
Merrillville, IN 46410

# Tribute Wall

LB

“ *Missing you so much. Wishing we had more time.* ”

Lillian Brown - March 05, 2022 at 09:32 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Richard J. Brown Sr..* ”



February 21, 2022 at 04:24 AM

RJ

“ *Rick Jelesky lit a candle in memory of Richard J. Brown Sr.* ”



Rick Jelesky - February 20, 2022 at 02:08 PM

RJ

*We send our condolences and prayers for the family - wonderful neighbors from years ago. Rick and Beth Jelesky*

Rick Jelesky - February 20, 2022 at 02:10 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Richard J. Brown Sr..*



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February 20, 2022 at 12:54 PM



“ *All of Us at Broadway Pet Hospital will miss Richard. He enjoyed the cats so much. Sending our love & sympathy to all of you. He will be missed by many...*

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**Barb Stolzmann** - February 20, 2022 at 12:09 PM



“ *Uncle Rich was a great man, always had a smile on his face and making everyone smile and laugh. One of my greatest memories of him was when we were little at Christmas time. We were at that age when we started to doubt Santa Clause, us kids would try to guess who was playing Santa this year. We new it had to be my dad, uncle Joe or uncle Rich. It was time that Santa make his appearance, All us kids looked around we saw my dad and Uncle Joe but Uncle Rich had disappeared, so we all new Uncle Rich was Santa this year. So in comes Santa and we are all saying that's Ucle Rich, but after Santa came in here comes Uncle Rich and we all looked at each other and was like WHAT, but who is Santa could it be that this is the real Santa. Apparently Uncle Rich new we were onto them or there is a real Santa. We never did find out so could it be that there is a Santa and Uncle Rich knew him. After all he did know everyone. Great times great memories. I love you Aunt lil, Sharon, Richy and Aunt Pam. I think of you all often and will keep you in my prayers. John Brooks.*

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**John Brooks** - February 18, 2022 at 03:23 PM

YC

“ I'm so sorry Lil, Rich and Sharon. Rich was a special person. I expect him to be waiting with one of those big dill pickles for me as he's talking with Uncle Bob.

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**Yvonne Carriedo** - February 17, 2022 at 08:34 PM

TB

“ We moved to Merrillville in 1987 but we were still attending Mass in Griffith. We decided to switch Parishes when Fr. Ameling became Pastor. Richard was the head Usher at St. Andrew parish at the early Mass. He made us both feel very welcome along with other members of the parish. We've been great friends ever since. Our prayers are with the Family and we know Richard will now be praying for us. A good man a great friend and someone who cared about his family, his friends and his Community. He will be missed.  
Love to you Lillian,  
Karen and Tom Bacon

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**Thomas Bacon** - February 17, 2022 at 11:36 AM