



Richard Harris

September 1, 1949 - January 21, 2026

Richard LaFayette Harris, Jr. 76, passed away on January 21, 2026 after a long battle with a chronic illness. He was a native of St. Augustine, born September 1, 1949.

He attended local schools and after finishing high school joined the US Marine Corps, serving during the Vietnam War. After service in the military he returned to St. Augustine and worked as a heavy equipment operator for many years. He loved working and meeting people and after retirement worked as a greeter for Walmart. One of his favorite hobbies was re-enacting at the Fort and around St. Augustine. He was an avid fan of the Jacksonville Jaguars and the Chicago Bears. He was preceded in death by his mother, Lillian Gibson Harris and his sister, Audrey Harris Jones. He is survived by his 3 children from his first marriage, Lisa, Larry and Kathy and their children and grandchildren. Richard is also survived by his partner and love of his life, Brenda Gardner, her son Jason, her daughter Sara, Sara's two sons, Bryson and Blaze, his brother, Bruce (Joanie) Harris, his sister Anita (George) McKinnon and many nieces, nephews and cousins. We smile because he lived. We will cherish his memory.

A celebration of his life will be held at a later date.

Richard will be interred at Jacksonville National Cemetery, in honor of his duty and service to his country.

Tribute Wall

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“ *I am sad to hear of Richard's passing. Richard's and I worked together for years at Carlisle and over that time we become good friends. He was a very sweet and funny man who loved his life partner and his family very much.*

Prayers are with his loved ones.

Stephanie Marlow - January 30 at 06:05 AM