



## David Scott Riefler

May 27, 1962 - January 29, 2021

David Scott Riefler was born at Bethesda Naval Hospital in the early hours of May 27, 1962. He was a happy baby who never cried unless his diaper needed changing. Within a year, he was a big brother to Chuck Riefler, then the next year Lynn Marie Riefler, and finally Kathleen Frances Riefler by August 5, 1965. He was a big helper in finding lost shoes and mittens and stuffed kittens around the house when the family had to drive somewhere. Of course there were no seatbelts yet, and David managed to keep his siblings from rolling all over the car.

David was extremely clean and refused to dig into his first few birthday cakes. No real problems there, his younger siblings eagerly took care of that. David enjoyed fishing and crabbing with his grandfather and his brother, Chuck.

David was christened, received his first communion and was confirmed by the age of 12. He played Boys Club Football, joined the Boy Scouts, and was a banner carrier on the Hyattsville Drum and Bugle Corps. He also helped gather ten or more neighborhood kids to go across the street to Hyattsville Elementary School and play softball on Saturdays.

David finished school with a GED in Laurel, MD. David went out to Phoenix to work at the Arizona ARC. David also went fishing as well as snow skiing on the Apache Reservation.

In 1982, David became a father to Joseph Paul Riefler and a few years later Joshua Aaron Newman was born. Years later, David met and fell in love with Leslie Fletcher of Annapolis. She had four daughters and David helped raise them. Also David had many nieces and nephews, and he enjoyed Christmas so very much. He usually had a gift for each one. David had a green thumb; he inherently knew how to plant and care for vegetables, fruits and flowers. He could make anything grow.

David was great at training animals and taking care of them. He excelled in carpentry. David was an excellent cook, and he enjoyed it so much.

A visitation will be held from 12PM - 1PM, followed by the funeral service at 1PM at Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home, PA in Chester, MD. Burial will be immediately after at Stevensville Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests any donations to be made to Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home to assist with funeral costs.

# Cemetery Details

## Stevensville Cemetery

808 Main Street  
Stevensville, MD

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 10. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Fellows, Helfenbein, & Newnam Funeral Home, P.A.  
106 Shamrock Road  
Chester, MD 21619

## Service

FEB 10. 1:00 PM - 1:30 PM (ET)

Fellows, Helfenbein, & Newnam Funeral Home, P.A.  
106 Shamrock Road  
Chester, MD 21619

## Graveside Service

FEB 10. 1:45 PM - 2:30 PM (ET)

Stevensville Cemetery  
808 Main Street  
Stevensville, MD



# Tribute Wall



“ *Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home created a Webcasting will start at 12:50 PM \* You may have to refresh your browser before viewing in memory of David Scott Riefler*



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**Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home** - February 10, 2021 at 11:49 AM



“ *David Scott Riefler*

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October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ *David Scott Riefler*

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January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ *David Scott Riefler*

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January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM



“ *My thoughts and prayers are with you during your loss. may God bring you some peace. Hugs to you. Janeen Jewell*

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**Karen Janeen Jewell** - February 16, 2021 at 02:15 PM

DG

“ I am so very sorry for the lose of David.  
I will always remember him as a great painter, carpenter, and he  
sure could  
cook. He always greeted me with a smile and pleasant  
conversation.  
Sending peace and comfort to the family through prayers.  
Rest well cousin.  
Diane Noe Gilliam

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**DIANE GILLIAM** - February 10, 2021 at 12:00 PM

BM

Thank you, Dear Diane.

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**Barbara Marmion** - February 11, 2021 at 10:12 AM

KK

“ My favorite memories of David are all about  
family connections, remembering him as a big  
brother, and what help he was to his mother  
and his love for his son and granddaughter.  
Whenever I visited, we enjoyed good  
conversation on a variety of subjects. He reminded me so much of  
my Dad, his grandfather. I will remember David in good times and  
truly miss him when we visit again.



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**Karen J. Klaassen** - February 09, 2021 at 02:54 PM

SM

When I met David he was happy to meet another family member. He  
and his grandfather were amazing to see together. David was very  
handsome and had a twinkle that was so charming.  
Susan McGuire, aunt

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**Susan McGuire** - February 09, 2021 at 10:16 PM

KK

*Yes, a charming twinkle!*

**Karen J. Klaassen** - February 09, 2021 at 11:41 PM

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*My son, David. I miss you Dear Son.*

**Barbara Marmion** - February 11, 2021 at 10:14 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of David Scott Riefler.*



February 04, 2021 at 07:56 PM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of David Scott Riefler.*



February 04, 2021 at 07:39 PM