

Ricky Ray Reedy

April 11, 1945 - June 1, 2026

Ricky “Rick” Ray Reedy, 81, of Rock Hall, Maryland, passed away on June 1, 2026, in Elkton, Maryland, surrounded by family and friends.

Rick was born on April 11, 1945, in Rugby, Grayson County, Virginia, to Ernest Clay Reedy and Carrie Hazel Davis Reedy. He graduated from Elkton High School and later earned a Bachelor of Science degree from Towson University and a Master of Education degree from the University of Delaware.

On August 1, 1968, he married his high school sweetheart, Mary Etta Johnson. They shared 57 years of marriage and built a life together centered on family, hard work, and service to others.

Rick devoted 38 years to teaching mathematics, spending eight years in Cecil County and thirty years at Newark High School. For most of his career, he taught Advanced Placement Calculus and was twice named Newark High School Teacher of the Year. He also coached high school basketball and college volleyball and served as both a teacher and later principal of the New Castle County Summer School.

Outside of education, Rick built and managed a successful single-family home rental business which he managed for nearly 50 years.

A member of Wesley Chapel Methodist Church, Rick remained committed to education and service throughout his life. In retirement, he volunteered as a tutor at the Kent County Learning Center, helping elementary and high school students as well as adults working toward their GED.

Fishing was Rick's greatest recreational passion. He spent countless hours with friends on the Chesapeake Bay and nearby waters, finding both enjoyment and peace on the water. He also enjoyed crabbing, reading, playing bridge and pinochle, traveling, and spending time with family and friends. A lifelong athlete, Rick's love of basketball and volleyball continued long after his high school and college playing days, and he remained an active competitor in organized leagues well into his forties.

He will be remembered for his resilience, strength of character, charming sense of humor, optimism, generosity, and willingness to help others. He approached life with a calm humility and treated everyone with kindness and caring.

Rick is survived by his wife, Mary Etta Reedy; his sister, Freeda Kay Marshall; his brother, Danny Clay Reedy (Shirley); his sister-in-law, Lynn Johnson; nieces Teresa Bottjer (CJ), Pam Marshall, Danielle Johnson, and Rachel Reedy; nephews Billy Marshall (Becky), Danny Clay Reedy, Jr., and Ryan Johnson; and many extended family members and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Ernest Clay Reedy and Carrie Hazel Davis Reedy; his mother-in-law, Mary Bilderback Johnson; his father-in-law, Custis Wesley Johnson; his brothers-in-law, Billy Marshall, John Joseph Johnson, and Robert Alan Johnson; and his niece, Lisa Wright.

A memorial service celebrating Rick's life will be held on Tuesday, June 9, 2026, at Wesley Chapel Methodist Church, 6065 Rock Hall Road, Rock Hall,

Maryland 21661. Family and friends are invited to visit with the family beginning at 10:00 a.m. The memorial service will begin at 11:00 a.m., followed by a fellowship reception in the church hall.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Wesley Chapel Methodist Church or the Michael J Fox Foundation in recognition of Rick's lifelong commitment to faith and helping others.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 9. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Wesley Chapel
6065 Rock Hall Road
Rock Hall, MD 21661

Memorial Service

JUN 9. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



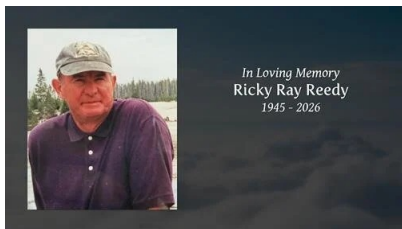
“ *Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Ricky Ray Reedy*



Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home - June 08 at 10:07 AM



“ *Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Ricky Ray Reedy*



Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home - June 08 at 10:04 AM

RT

“ *My deepest condolences to Mrs Mary Etta , keeping you in our prayers.*



Roni Thomas - June 11 at 07:20 AM

TS

“ *Todd & Diane Smith sent a virtual gift in memory of Ricky Ray Reedy*



Todd & Diane Smith - June 08 at 08:45 AM

CJ

“ *To my Rock Steady Boxing friend
You have won the final round in your bout with Parkinson's!
Remember, as we finished each class, to fight like Rick!*

Blessings and hugs to you and your family!

Action Jackson

Craig Jackson - June 08 at 08:07 AM

MB

“ *Mary Etta,*

*I was sorry to hear of Rick's passing. He was a good man. My
condolences to both you and your family.*

Mel Bacon

Mel Bacon - June 07 at 07:19 PM

BC

“ Rick was a really special man. Always loved it when he and Mary Etta would come over and play Skip Bo! Rick was my partner and we had so much fun. Always had a smile.. Rick I know you are at peace now, no longer suffering. You take care of Mom up there! You will be missed. RIP my friend.

Bonnie Chaires - June 06 at 01:34 PM



“ Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Ricky Ray Reedy.



June 06 at 07:05 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Ricky Ray Reedy.

June 06 at 07:05 AM

LD

“ Linda Davis lit a candle in memory of Ricky Ray Reedy



Linda Davis - June 05 at 09:49 PM

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“ *EHS Class Of 1963 lit a candle in memory of Ricky Ray Reedy*



EHS Class of 1963 - June 05 at 08:05 PM

PR

“ *Pam Tom And Ray lit a candle in memory of Ricky Ray Reedy*



Pam Tom and Ray - June 05 at 08:02 PM

SR

“ *Apart of our family link is now broken with Rick's passing. Rick was my brother n law for 56 years Rick was more like my brother I consider Rick a dear friend. Through the years we as a family shared many great memories together. Rick was Kind, caring, had a beautiful soul. Rick Life was a well lived life, his legacy will continue through the lives he touched. One of the greatest blessings of Rick's Life was the Love he shared with Mary Etta his devoted wife of 57 years. Rick you were well loved you will remain in our hearts forevermore. RIP will see you again. Rest in Peace, Danny & Shirley*



shirl Reedy - June 05 at 06:11 PM

NC

“ Dear Mary Etta, so sorry to hear of Rick’s death . However so happy for him out of pain and in the most beautiful place you could ever imagine. Walking on the streets of gold more alive then he has ever been . Yes you are going to miss him but you will see him again with no parting it’s for eternity. May God heal your broken Heart . Know we all are here for you we love you very much !
Barry and Nancy



Nancy Conner - June 05 at 05:47 PM

BB

“ Betty Lou and Bill Benson purchased the Fairest of All for the family of Ricky Ray Reedy.



Betty Lou and Bill Benson - June 05 at 11:49 AM

VP

“ Mary Etta, so very sorry to hear of Ricks passing. I’ll be thinking of you and your family. May all of your wonderful memories of your life together be of comfort.

vickie pugh - June 05 at 10:57 AM

CH

So sorry to hear of your loss, Mary Etta. I remember when we ran into you at Hopkins around 2009. Our guys have been through a lot over the last few years! ❤️🙏❤️🙏❤️💕

Christy and herman - June 08 at 11:42 AM

CN

“ *Chris & Vivian Nordhoff lit a candle in memory of Ricky Ray Reedy*



Chris & Vivian Nordhoff - June 05 at 09:21 AM

DB

“ *Donna & Buzz lit a candle in memory of Ricky Ray Reedy*



Donna & Buzz - June 05 at 09:14 AM



“ *Mary Eta, We were so sorry to hear about Rick. We are thinking of you.*

David and Roxana

David Holyoke - June 05 at 08:33 AM

JG

“ *Jeanne & Rick Geibel lit a candle in memory of Ricky Ray Reedy*



Jeanne & Rick Geibel - June 04 at 10:42 PM

LF

“ LINDA JOANNE FOOTE lit a candle in memory of Ricky Ray Reedy



LINDA JOANNE FOOTE - June 04 at 08:08 PM

BR

“ Bob And Sandy Rust lit a candle in memory of Ricky Ray Reedy



Bob and Sandy Rust - June 04 at 02:56 PM

KN

“ So sorry to hear about Rick. We had a lot of chats at school. I'm thinking of you, Mary Etta

kathy nickle - June 04 at 01:52 PM

HG

“ I remember Ricky at our 2 room school house in Pleasant Hill. Can't believe those days are so far behind us. Mary Etta, so sorry for your loss. You've been together a long long time.
Prayer's and love,
Hope Speakman Given

Hope Given - June 04 at 01:23 PM