



Rick Lee Chess

January 15, 1949 - December 17, 2020

Rick Lee Chess, 71, formerly of Greenville, PA, passed away on Thursday, December 17, 2020 at Roper Berkeley Hospital.

Rick was born January 15, 1949 in Greenville, PA to Lloyd & Virginia (Little) Chess. He married Doris Osborne on August 14, 1982.

He graduated from Reynolds High School and served in the Army during Vietnam as a Ranger of the 173rd Airborne Division and received the Bronze Star, Purple Heart, Air Medal, Republic of Vietnam Gallantry Cross and Republic of Vietnam Civil actions honor medal for his service. He worked at Penn Power, as a Lineman, for 31 years.

He was a member of Wassamassaw Baptist Church and a lifetime member of the 173rd Airborne Brigade Combat Team (“Sky Soldiers”), DAV and Reynolds VFW. Rick enjoyed outdoor activities and sharing his wit and fellowship with many friends. He mostly enjoyed spending time with his wife, kids and grandkids.

In addition to his wife, Doris, he is survived by four children: Jim Perry (Christine) of Plum, PA, Stacey Broerman (Jared) of Grove City, PA, Kelly Chapman (Jeron) of Havelock, NC, and Jon Chess (Meloney) of North Huntingdon, PA; multiple grandchildren; and two siblings: Lois Youngblood of

Hadley, PA and Raymond Chess of Monroe, VA. In addition to his parents, he was predeceased by brother, Rodney Chess.

Due to COVID-19, a private service was held with immediate family. A burial will be at a later date at Arlington National Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to ALS at www.donate.als.org/donate or Cystic Fibrosis at www.cff.org.

A memorial message may be written to the family by visiting our website at www.jamesadyal.com.

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Tribute Wall



“ Rick Lee Chess

September 29, 2022 at 10:11 AM



“ Dearest Doris and and all of Ricks family. I was so saddened for all of you to hear of Rick's illness and passing. Rick was someone who could be very proud of his life. Thank you Rick for your military service. After visiting Rick at Walter Reed Hospital in DC, my heart was filled with joy to see him walk into his parents home for his homecoming and welcomeback celebration. He is a brave courageous and true hero and more importantly, a kind, gentle and loyal friend. You will not be forgotten! No more suffering, no more pain. Jesus Christ will enjoy your precious smile for all eternity. For you, there will be no more wars to fight. You will be blessed with much earned eternal peace and rest. We will be sad without you with us. Much love to you and yours. Tom Uhrin, Rhonda, Kitch, Uhrin kohler and Dan.

rhonda kohler - January 22, 2021 at 04:33 PM



“ Doris and Family,
We are very sorry and sad to hear about Ricks passing. You are both very sweet friends, our hearts are broken for you.
Rick was a very humble man, it was a honor and blessing to have met him and enjoyed some time with him
He will Be sorely missed.
Our deepest condolences to you Doris and your family.
Love Linda and Pete Cassidy

peter cassidy - January 16, 2021 at 07:45 PM

BW

“ Hugs an prayers 🙏 To U an ur family. ❤️❤️❤️

babs williams - January 06, 2021 at 12:53 PM

CG

“ Doris, my deepest sympathy. May your faith and memories of Rick bring you peace during this difficult time. Cindy Graham

Cindy Graham - December 26, 2020 at 07:32 PM

RU

“ Rick was such a kind gentle soul. A good friend and he will be missed very much. Rick will be in our hearts and thoughts always.

Love him and you Doris.

Bill, Lisa & Anthony Russo

Russo - December 24, 2020 at 03:37 PM

JS

“ God's speed and condolences to you Doris and family.



Jim Straub - December 23, 2020 at 05:23 PM

LK

“ We love you Doris. Rick was like a brother and he will be sorely missed. We will always remember the wonderful times in TN, St. Augustine, SC and Port St. Lucie. We look forward to when we will all be reunited. Rick loved his country and loved his Lord Jesus. We know he is hearing "well done good and faithful servant" right now. Love to the whole family. You are in our thoughts and prayers. Jeff, Laura & Matthew Keech

Laura Keech - December 21, 2020 at 05:28 PM

DS

“ Dear Doris, we are rather new to the community and did not personally know Rick, but we have heard much about him. We wanted to extend our condolences at this time and offer prayers for you and your family.
Your neighbors,
Diane and Len Sclafani

Diane Sclafani - December 20, 2020 at 09:54 PM

MA

“ Although I did not know Rick very long, he attended our ROMEO luncheons and was very easy to talk to. I pray for his Family during this time. I was honored to know Rick and will miss him.



Michael Altomare - December 20, 2020 at 08:29 PM

PM

“ Rick was a shining star in all ways. Although we didn't serve our country for a long period of time together we were very close buddies during a awful time in our lives. Doris was his best friend and held his hand through many trails throughout his life. Love you both ☹️Phil

Phil McClelland - December 20, 2020 at 08:10 PM

JW

“ Doris may Rick RIP. He was such a nice man and we were so fortunate to know him. He is now with the Lord and his angels.

Joan Walter - December 20, 2020 at 06:04 PM

MD

“ Doris, Jim, Stacey, Kelly & Jon, my deepest sympathies to all of you. He is finally at peace without pain. I have so many wonderful memories of our times past with all the Chess/Perry family that I will always hold dear. I think I know someone who I am sure is reliving the past with him right now. My love reaches out to each of you! Be strong! That's what he would want for all of you. He will always be watching over each and everyone of you. His love will never stop!

Marilyn Draeger - December 20, 2020 at 05:01 PM

AW

“ Rick will always stand out as one of the finest men I ever knew. His humility and gentle spirit belied his inner strength and resolve, truly “an iron fist in a velvet glove”. I'll always cherish the memories of our talks and visits but, most of all, will be heartened by the assurance of his strong faith and his unabashed love of sharing the Lord. This will remain a source of comfort and peace in our hearts, Doris, as it will in yours.

Andrea and Bruce White - December 20, 2020 at 10:12 AM

BJ

“ Doris and family, our hearts hurt for you at this sad time. We are so sorry for your loss and sad for the suffering Rick had to endure, and you, too, Doris. You were in it together all the way, through all the hard times. I know all your memories will be cherished. Sending deepest sympathy, much love and many hugs to all of you. Betty k and Fred



Betty I junk - December 20, 2020 at 12:44 AM

BS

“ Doris, my thoughts and prayers are with you and the family. You know you both were important in my life. Rick will definitely be missed by many. Your memories will help you along through time. Bonnie and Dave Shontz

Bonneva Shontz - December 20, 2020 at 12:43 AM

LB

“ Doris, Bill and I send our condolences and deepest sympathy to you and your family. Bill always held Rick in the highest regard. When I met Rick, I thought what a kind and good man and he was very fortunate to have you in his life. You all have our prayers for peace.

Linda Baker - December 20, 2020 at 12:12 AM

DR

“ Rick was one the nicest person i had to pleasure of knowing he was kind and loving person always very positive will truly be missed Dorothy

Dorothy Rosalie Robinson - December 19, 2020 at 09:16 PM

JU

“ *This picture of Rick reminds me of his kind, gentle sincere nature, may he RIP, and may God comfort you Doris and family*

june - December 19, 2020 at 08:18 PM

DE

“ *So sorry to hear of Rick's Passing*

Dave Eakin - December 19, 2020 at 07:15 PM

CA

“ *So Thankful Craig and I were able to come spend the afternoon with you both last month. Our deepest sympathy and condolences to Doris and family. Much love and lots of hugs. Carol and Craig Antush*

Carol Antush - December 19, 2020 at 06:46 PM

LW

“ *So sorry to hear of Rick's passing. Prayers and hugs to your family.*

Linda Wolfe - December 19, 2020 at 06:31 PM