



Richard A. Fast

September 19, 1921 - September 23, 2013

Richard A. Fast, age 92, of Coconut Creek, FL, formerly of Huntington, IN, passed away at 4:45 p.m. Monday (September 23, 2013) at his home.

Graveside services will be held in Pilgrim's Rest Cemetery in Huntington at 11:00 a.m. Friday, September 27, 2013 with Pastor Richard Strick officiating and military graveside rites performed by the VFW Post #2689 of Huntington.

Preferred memorials are to "First Coast No More Homeless Pets" in care of Bailey-Love Mortuary, 35 West Park Drive, Huntington, IN.

Richard was born on September 19, 1921 in Huntington, the son of Evan A. and Ethel E. (Goshorn) Fast. His father passed away in Richard's early childhood, and his mother remarried Russell Wilhelm, his stepfather who helped raise him. Richard graduated from Huntington High School in 1940 and he served in the U.S. Navy during WWII. He graduated from Purdue University in 1949 with a B.S. in Trade and Industrial Education, and he received his master's degree from Florida Atlantic University. He was married to Barbara (Miller) Fast for 19 years, and Sandy (Margolin) Fast for 30 years. Richard always loved animals and had several pets in his lifetime.

Richard retired in 1983 from Lee County Schools in Ft. Myers, FL. He taught mathematics for over 30 years, and was a supervisor of the Mathematics

Department of Lee County Schools. Prior to this he worked for the General Motors Institute as an instructor. He was also a commercial charter pilot.

Richard is survived by two daughters - Pamela Stanley of Jacksonville, FL and Cathy (& husband Ted) Keys of Sanderson, FL; a granddaughter - Kelly Hardee and a grandson - Justin Hardee, both of Glen St. Mary, FL; Barbara Fast, former wife, and a close special friend - Babette Lustig of Coconut Creek, FL. He is preceded in death by his parents, stepfather, and a spouse.

Cemetery Details

Pilgrims Rest Cemetery

4945 N. Jefferson St
Huntington, IN

Previous Events

Service

SEP 27. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

SR

“ Pam I share your grief and include you and your family in my prayers. Hang on to all the good memories and rejoice knowing he is in a better place.
Sergio Rodriguez

Sergio Rodriguez - September 30, 2013 at 09:03 AM

DB

“ Dear Pam, My condolences to you and your family on the passing of your father. I believe he had a life well lived and may he rest in peace. Dan Bryant

Dan Bryant - September 28, 2013 at 10:08 AM

ML

“ Dear Pam and Cathy, I am so sorry to hear about your Dad's passing. Dad, Mickie, and I enjoyed meeting him last year at Thanksgiving. His spirit and charm were still visible. I know you two have made several trips to south Florida to see him in the last years, and made his life fuller and easier in his illness. I am so sorry for your loss, which is so fresh and painful now. Please don't hesitate to call if you feel lonely or down--these things are easier if shared. Love, Melissa

Melissa Lockhart - September 28, 2013 at 08:28 AM

MB

“ Dear Pam and Cathy, I am sorry to hear about your Dad, but I am so glad you were able to visit with him on his birthday. I know the visit was difficult to see him as he was and remembering how vibrant a man he had been. He had a wonderful spirit and was always so full of life. We just have to believe that he is back to doing all the things he loved. It is so difficult to lose the ones we love, but please remember all of the good things and tuck the not so good things behind you. He will always be with you, watching after you and loving you. You are both in my thoughts and prayers.
Margaret Bloodworth-Ruppel

Margaret Bloodworth-Ruppel - September 26, 2013 at 04:54 PM

BW

“ Dear Pam and Family,
You are in my thoughts and prayers. I am so sorry for your loss, but be comforted that you had Him in your life for so many years and there is now an addition to God's Garden. Be comforted that you had your time with Him.
Barb Wittmann-Olson

Barbara Wittmann-Olson - September 26, 2013 at 01:18 PM

TO

Pam, Cathy, Ted.

Sorry to hear about your loss. My condolences to you and your family.

Ted Okolichany

Ted Okolichany - September 27, 2013 at 07:28 AM

DL

“ Pam, Ronda and I were sad to hear of the passing of your Father. We never knew him, but I'm sure that he was a great man. After, all, he had you and Cathy. Our thoughts and prays are with you

Duane and Ronda Lewis

Duane Lewis - September 26, 2013 at 01:17 PM

CH

“ Pamela - As you travel this path of grieving, remember the good times, they'll make you cry; remember the good times, they'll make you laugh; remember the good times, they will sustain you. You know you are in my heart and prayers. I didn't know you dad, but I know he raised a wonderful daughter who loved him. I'll be thinking of you.

Charlene

Charlene - September 26, 2013 at 01:02 PM

DR

“ Pam, I am so sorry for your loss. I don't think we are ever ready to lose our parents and I know how close you were. How lucky you were to have him as long as you did. Please know you are in my thoughts and prayers. Hugs, Dana

Dana Raufeisen - September 26, 2013 at 12:55 PM

JO

“ 1 file added to the album *Richard Fast*



Jay Odessky - September 25, 2013 at 04:20 PM

PS

“ 2 files added to the album *Richard Fast*



Pamela Stanley - September 25, 2013 at 11:38 AM

MI

Dear Pamela and Family,

I am so sorry for your loss. Keep your beautiful memories close to your heart. Know that you will be in my thoughts and prayers.

Heartfelt condolences,

Mary Impson

Mary Impson - September 25, 2013 at 08:51 PM

DC

Pamela, words at this time can not wash away the pain and sorrow you must be feeling. I only hope the memories of all the good times will fill your mind and bring peace to you in this sad time.

your FEMA buddy

Dale

Dale Canino - September 26, 2013 at 05:48 AM

FG

Dear Pam, Cathy and Family: May the God of All Compassion comfort you in this time of Deep Sorrow. Keep in mind the many memories Dad created with you, especially on his recent birthday. God's Blessings of Peace.

Fran Gourley

Fran Gourley - September 27, 2013 at 07:35 AM

JL

“*Dear Pamela and Family I am so very sorry for your loss. Fill not your hearts with pain and sorrow but remember Richard in every tomorrow. Remember the joy, laughter and god times,he has gone to rest for a little while.*

*My condolences,
Jose[h Landi*

Joseph Landi - September 25, 2013 at 08:36 AM

CK

“*1 file added to the tribute wall*



Cathy Keys - September 25, 2013 at 08:08 AM

GR

“ Pam,
Denise and I are so sorry to hear about your loss and wish we were closer to help comfort you. Know that you and your family are in our thoughts and prayers.

We love you,

George and Denise

George Ralph - September 25, 2013 at 07:42 AM