



## Cornelius Rich

December 20, 1945 - July 3, 2025

Cornelius Rich, 79, of Ardmore, Tennessee, passed away on July 3, 2025, at his residence.

He was born on Thursday, December 20, 1945, to Mr. Riley Lee Rich and Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Smith Rich in Elkmont, Alabama.

Mr. Rich spent a majority of his life in Ardmore, Tennessee, where he retired from the United States Postal Service.

Cornelius was preceded in death by both of his parents, two half-brothers, two half-sisters, and one stepbrother.

He is survived by his wife, Janice Rich, one son; Lanny (Shelly) Rich of Ardmore, Tennessee, one daughter; Mitzi (David) Owen of Ardmore, Tennessee, two brothers; David (Nancy) Rich of Ardmore, Alabama, Charles (Sharon) Rich of Ardmore, Alabama, one stepbrother; Stevie Lewter of Ardmore, Alabama, one stepsister; Carol Hooper of Ardmore, Tennessee, three grandchildren; Rachel (Dalton) Richardson, Harlee Rich, Sarah Ryley Prince, as well as several nieces and nephews.

A visitation will be held at Ardmore Chapel Funeral Home in Ardmore, Alabama on Saturday, July 5, 2025, from 5:00 PM to 8:00 PM. A chapel

service will be held on Sunday, July 6, 2025, at 2:00 PM. Burial will follow in Mt. Pleasant Cemetery. Bro. Steve Hargrove will officiate the service.

In Lieu of flowers make donations to Ardmore Food Bank (Christian Helping Others).

Ardmore Chapel Funeral Home will be assisting the family with services.

# Cemetery Details

## Mt Pleasant Cemetery

30239-29381 Old Scrouge Rd  
Ardmore, AL 35739

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL 5. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Ardmore Chapel Funeral Home  
27186 E. Main St.  
Ardmore, AL 35739  
(256) 423-4100  
<https://www.ardmorechapel.com/>

## Chapel Service

JUL 6. 2:00 PM (CT)

Ardmore Chapel Funeral Home  
27186 E. Main St.  
Ardmore, AL 35739  
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# Tribute Wall

CW

“ *Carl Woody Woodard lit a candle in memory of Cornelius Rich*



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**Carl Woody Woodard** - January 20 at 04:11 PM

SS

“ *Sue Stolz lit a candle in memory of Cornelius Rich*



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**Sue Stolz** - July 05, 2025 at 10:36 PM

TS

“ *The Saltzman's purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Cornelius Rich.*



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**The Saltzman's** - July 05, 2025 at 03:44 PM

RJ

“ *Robert J. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Cornelius Rich.*

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**Robert J.** - July 05, 2025 at 10:07 AM

RJ

“ Robert J. purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Cornelius Rich.



Robert J. - July 05, 2025 at 10:07 AM

MR

“ Matt, Melissa, Mason and Alissa Rich purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Cornelius Rich.



Matt, Melissa, Mason and Alissa Rich - July 04, 2025 at 08:12 PM

PM

“ If you were fortunate to have known Corney, you know what a special person he was. He always had a smile on his face . He was always joking with you & made you laugh. Our thoughts and prayers continue for you & your family. May God comfort & strengthen you through this difficult time. With love, Phillip & Debra Mitchell

Phillip & Debra Mitchell - July 04, 2025 at 12:11 PM

LB

I have known Corney and Janice since I was a young girl attending Union Hill church. They have always been a blessing in our family. Since then I was blessed to work with Lanny and my nephew married Rachel. He was definitely a remarkable person with a one of a kind personality! My prayers are with the family during this difficult time. Love y'all. Laura and Hannah Rose Bue

Laura Bue - July 06, 2025 at 06:37 PM

HG

“ We are so sorry to hear this. Praying for family and friends at this difficult time.

Harriette and Jerry Glover - July 04, 2025 at 07:31 AM

BR

“ No matter when us Yankee relatives would show up, we were Always welcomed at his house...

Bob Rich - July 04, 2025 at 03:39 AM

BF

“ I'm so sorry for your loss. Corny was such a wonderful person.



Beverly Fox - July 04, 2025 at 12:16 AM

LE

“ So very sorry for your loss. May you find comfort in knowing you will meet again.

Loretta Merrell Ekis - July 03, 2025 at 09:50 PM

CS

*I am so so sorry. We've always considered Corny to be a part of the Curtis Family. Our parents were good friends and Corny worked with Dad at the grocery store. Both of you were so good to Mother, especially in her later years. He will certainly be missed by so many people.*

*Love to you and your family.*

*Carol*

Carol Curtis Sheridan - July 03, 2025 at 11:56 PM

KG

*I grew up living beside Corny, he was always so kind and funny. I thought the world of him. He will be missed.*

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**Kelvin Gates** - July 04, 2025 at 06:44 AM



“ *Our love and prayers to my awesome Aunt Jan, Love you and Uncle to the moon and back. You two are the best. Uncle will be dearly missed. Will miss how funny and kind hes been all these years. He never changed. Im so glad we will see him again and Im sure , it will be very soon. Love you Aunt Jan,*

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**Brenda Sayger** - July 03, 2025 at 07:52 PM