



## Richard L. "Rick" Nelson

March 13, 1958 - August 12, 2021

Richard "Rick" Lee Nelson, age 63, of Powell, passed away on Thursday, August 12, 2021, at Kobacker House in Columbus, Ohio.

Rick believed with all his heart that any task, great or small, was not worth doing if you did not intend to do it right. He carried this belief with him into not only his professional life, but also into fatherhood. He was a devoted employee to his family's business, Nelson Auto Group. He loved nothing more than watching his children grow and celebrating their accomplishments.

He is survived by his beloved children, Nichole L. Walton (Joshua), Naples, FL; Theresa Joyce Meigs (Bradley), Sunbury, OH; Nathaniel Lee Nelson, Powell, OH; siblings, Gregory S. Nelson (Joni) and Brenda Nelson-Barber (Jeff); grand-children, Violet, Natiri, and Aurelius Walton; Bradley and Clayton Meigs; nieces Tiffany Frost-Leider, (Andrew), Heather Frost-Schmidt, (Dustin); Nicole Spitzer; many great nephews and a niece; along with many wonderful friends that Rick considered family. He was preceded in death by his parents Robert Scott and Joyce Ann Nelson (Stevens).

The family would like to give a special thank you to The Kobacker House for their diligence and compassion in Rick's final days after his short battle with cancer.

A memorial service be held in Rick's honor on Wednesday, August 18, 2021, from 6 to 8 p.m. at RUTHERFORD FUNERAL HOME AT POWELL 450 W. Olentangy Street Powell, Ohio 43065. Memorial contributions in lieu of flowers may be made in his honor to The Kobacker House, Columbus, Ohio. To send

an online condolence, please visit [www.rutherfordfuneralhome.com](http://www.rutherfordfuneralhome.com).

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

AUG 18. 6:00 PM (ET)

Rutherford Funeral Home at Powell  
450 West Olentangy Street  
Powell, OH 43065  
(614) 792-1471  
info@rutherfordfuneralhome.com  
<https://www.rutherfordfuneralhomes.com/>

# Tribute Wall



“ *Richard L. "Rick" Nelson*

January 28, 2023 at 10:24 AM



“ *From the Ongaro Family purchased the Godiva G old Ballotin (36 pc) for the family of Richard L. "Rick" Nelson.*



From the Ongaro Family - September 01, 2021 at 01:03 AM



“ *Greg & Brenda - we're extremely sorry for your loss. Rick was a really good guy and a hard worker, and I know he was a key part of your dealerships for most of your automotive career. You guys shared a lot together as a family, both the good and the bad times and hopefully the good memories will last forever whenever you think about him in the future. Rest In Peace, Rick and God Bless to you and your family.*

*Our warmest regards, Brian & Barbara Ongaro*

Brian & Barbara Ongaro - September 01, 2021 at 12:55 AM



“ *To my Nelson Family  
I'm so sorry to hear of Rick passing. Big hugs and prayers for all of your family. I have a lot of great memories of his smile and encouragement he gave every day. Until we meet again.*

Debbie Guthrie - August 19, 2021 at 08:39 PM

JR

*To Greg and Brenda,  
I'm so sorry for the loss of an awesome person. Ricky was so fun and loving. My prayers are with you guys and the rest of your family.*

*Jenn Rife*

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**Jenn Rife** - August 19, 2021 at 09:11 PM

AC

“ *Rest in peace, Rick. Your smiles will be missed. My memories all the way through school and Kristi are a big part of my life. Til we meet again. ❤️ Anne LePera Crabtree 💕*



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**Anne Crabtree** - August 18, 2021 at 11:48 AM

DK

“ *I have known Greg for 24 years and that is how I became friends with Rick and Brenda  
Brenda and Greg I am very sorry for your loss I know what a devoted brother and sister the two of you were. My thoughts are with you  
David Kristal*

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**David Kristal** - August 18, 2021 at 10:03 AM

MK

“ Dear Brenda, Tiffany, Heather, Greg and your families,

*Tom and I are so sorry to hear of Rick's passing and we send you our love and prayers for God's comfort to surround your hearts during this sad time. Rick was such a great man with the friendliest and kindest nature. He was always a happy soul and I never saw him without a smile. He leaves a big empty place in so many lives and will be greatly missed by so many. We ask the Lord to invade your grief with His peace and love.*

*With love from Mary and Tom Kish*

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**Mary and Tom Kish** - August 18, 2021 at 09:19 AM

SY

“ *Wonderful memories of Rick when we were young growing up in school. Great fun loving friend to be around when we were young. God bless to his beautiful wife and daughter.*



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**Sandra Yinger** - August 18, 2021 at 01:33 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Richard L. "Rick" Nelson.*



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August 17, 2021 at 04:12 PM

MT

“ I knew Rick and Greg from the Chrysler dealership in Marysville. I always appreciated Rick's honesty and work ethic....and yes he was a big believer in doing any job no matter how big or small THE RIGHT WAY!. Prayers for Rick and his whole family.

*Michael Tufts*

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**Michael Tufts** - August 17, 2021 at 02:35 PM

AB

“ I knew Rick when he was just a kid in the neighborhood. I watched him become a loving father. All who knew Rick had respect for him. He was a selfless man willing to help anyone who called on him. May he Rest In Peace after his valiant fight with cancer. He will remain in our memories. Thanks to all that cared for Rick in his last days.

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**alveda bates** - August 16, 2021 at 07:06 PM



“ Summer's Light Bouquet was purchased for the family of Richard L. "Rick" Nelson.



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August 16, 2021 at 05:30 PM

KR

“ *Kristi purchased the Dreams From the Heart Bouquet for the family of Richard L. "Rick" Nelson.*



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**Kristi** - August 16, 2021 at 05:27 PM

MS

“ *Greg and Brenda and Rick's family:*

*We were so saddened to hear the news and Rick's passing and send our deepest sympathy and condolences. As cousins, we will remember many good times spent visiting the family in Columbus growing up. Rick always had a grin on his face and an outgoing fun-loving, teasing personality. His life was cut short way too soon. Your family will be in our prayers.*

*Richie and Marsha Summers, Huntington, WV  
Rick and Carolyn Kitts, Lebanon, TN*

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**Marsha Summers** - August 16, 2021 at 12:54 PM

SB

“ *What a great guy!*

*Every time we ended a call he always said... "Bye Now".*

*RIP Rick, ..... BYE NOW!*

*Scott*

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**Scott Binder** - August 16, 2021 at 09:23 AM

DF

“ Greg & Brenda, I would like to formally send my condolences to you both & your families, also to Ricks family. I have known your family for a long time, I had gotten to know Rick through your family business and as our families were associated through marriage of my brother Ron Frost.

I just want to say Rick was a genuinely kind soul, very pleasant to me anytime we met & chatted, he showed respect & always cared about knowing how I was.

I am truly sorry for your loss & hope you find comfort through this time of sorrow

Dan frost

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dan frost - August 16, 2021 at 07:55 AM

DF

“ Dan Frost lit a candle in memory of Richard L. "Rick" Nelson



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dan frost - August 16, 2021 at 07:45 AM



“ Serene Reflections Bouquet was purchased for the family of Richard L. "Rick" Nelson.



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August 16, 2021 at 06:28 AM