



Joseph F. "Rick" Ankesheiln III

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Joseph Frederick "Rick" Ankesheiln III went to be with our Heavenly Father at the age of 67 on Sunday, August 7, 2016.

Rick was born and raised in New Orleans and was a long time resident of Gretna, Louisiana. For the last seven years he enjoyed semi-retired life with his loving wife, Andy, and his life long friends at Money Hill in Abita Springs, Louisiana. Rick was a graduate of West Jefferson High School and went on to graduate from Louisiana State University (LSU) where he was a member of Phi Kappa Tau Fraternity (PKT) and earned a bachelor's degree in Human Resources. Rick joined the Army Reserves in 1972 and proudly served his country for four years. At the time of his death, Rick was employed as a Senior Vice President of Claims by Marsh & McLennan Companies for over 25 years. He was an avid golfer and loved cheering on his beloved LSU Tigers. His greatest joy was entertaining his family and friends at his home where everyone enjoyed Rick's infamous cooking. He was at his happiest when he was being "Pops" to his beloved grandchildren. Rick was a wonderful husband, father and grandfather. He is going to be greatly missed.

He is survived by his beloved wife Mary "Andy" Hurst Ankesheiln, his sister Fay Ankesheiln Wartelle (Tom), his son Rhett Michael Ankesheiln, adoring daughter Kendall Ankesheiln Parnell (Jordan); stepchildren Paul Michael Gagnet, Jr.(Amy), Patrick Ryan Gagnet (Krista), and Ashely Gagnet Morgan (Michael); grandchildren Blake and Kellen DiTommaso, Myles and Madison Morgan, Greyson Gagnet, and Trent Ankesheiln.

He is preceded in death by his parents Joseph Fredrick "Freddy" Ankesheiln, Jr. and Rosary Fortmayer Ankesheiln.

Funeral services will be held at E. J. Fielding Funeral Home, Inc., 2260 West 21st Avenue in Covington, Louisiana. Visitation will be held Thursday, August 11, 2016 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. with service beginning at noon. Rick's beloved Pastor



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and friend, Eddie Swan, with New Beginnings Church will officiate.

The family wishes in lieu of flowers, that donations be made to New Beginnings Church, 19219 North 4th St, Covington, LA 70433.




Events

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Visitation

 **Thursday**, August 11, 2016


 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM CT

 **E.J. Fielding Funeral Home & Cremation Services**
2260 W 21st Ave, Covington LA 70433



Funeral

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 12:00 PM CT

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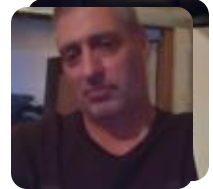
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RA

Rhett Ankesheirn shared 2 photos to the **Tribute Wall** album.

You were the best father!!miss you so much!!! Hey Ms Andy step brothers and sister, thank you for being a part of our family.

January 21 at 1:48 AM



CD

Connie Deblieux posted:

Andy, so sorry for your loss, Rick was such a great person to be around. Deepest sympathy, Connie (Boudoin) DeBleux

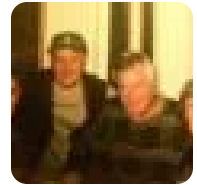
August 15 at 5:58 AM

AG

Anne Gautsche shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.

Rick was a friend and colleague of my husband, Sandy Gautsche, but he always welcomed me to New Orleans when I came on business trips with Sandy, just for fun. What a charismatic and entertaining guy! We will miss meeting up with him on our future trips. Rick showed Sandy the places to go that tourists never know about. This picture is my 50th birthday, St. Patrick's Day, 2005, when we had the honor of meeting for a little celebration. Carry on our friend!

August 13 at 10:16 PM



DB

Dorothy Burkhardt posted:

Andy sorry for your loss. He was so young. Thankfully you have wonderful family to lean on. Thinking of you at this difficult time.Dorothy Burkhardt

August 12 at 10:04 AM



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JS

Jo Ann Schackai posted:

Andy, Kendall, Rhett and family, I am so sorry to hear of Rick's passing and my prayers are with each of you as go through this difficult time in your lives. Words cannot express how sad it is to realize that I have lost a friend, I cannot even imagine what you all must be feeling. I hope that knowing just how many lives he touched in such a positive way brings you some joy. My heart breaks for you all and I pray that God gives you peace. Jo Ann & Rene Jo Ann Schackai, TX

August 11 at 12:51 PM

RA

Rhett Ankesheirn January 21 at 1:50 AM

Thanks so much for those kind words!

DP

Denise And Manuel Ponce posted:

So sorry to hear of this sudden and tragic news! We enjoyed every moment we spent with you all and other dear friends...but, of course, Rick always made us laugh the hardest. What a wonderful person who lived life on his own terms with his loving wife and children and grandchildren. May he rest in peace. Much love to you all. Manuel and Denise Ponce, Gretna, LA

August 11 at 12:35 PM

AB

Andy Bardales posted:

My heart, prayers and condolences go out to the Ankesheirn family. Mr Rick was a great man and a great brother in the Krewe Of Thoth family. He will be missed by all. May the Lord bless you and keep you. Rest In Peace my Thoth brother.

August 11 at 7:39 AM

LW

Lana Weekley posted:

Andy, I learned of your loss from our banking circle and want you to know that there are so many caring thoughts being shared on your behalf. One can only imagine your heartache and the strength needed to handle this experience. We're thinking of you, Lana & Don Weekley

August 11 at 6:17 AM



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Bill Sims posted:

Linda and I had only known Rick since 2014, when we moved in down the street from him and Andy. Rick always was smiling and laughing and full of life. This year I will not have one of his famous rum cakes at Christmas, but for the rest of my life will think of him every time rum cake gets mentioned. His legacy is much greater than that, but that is a special memory for me. Andy, I am so sorry for your sudden loss. Bill Sims

August 10 at 3:46 PM



Colleagues From Marsh New Orleans sent an Imagination Blooms to the Ankesheiln III family.



August 10 at 11:53 AM



Lynn Smith posted:

So sorry to hear this news. We were next door neighbors in Stonebridge for many years. Our prayers go out to the family. Sincerely, Lynn and Gary Smith

August 10 at 9:40 AM



Gay Griffith posted:

I was lucky to have Rick, or Mr Yick, as my sons called him, as a neighbor for 10 years living in Harvey in the 80's. He was a wonderful man who was the funniest guy I have ever known. He would give you the shirt off his back if you needed it. My sons, the Crayon boys, and I have heavy hearts just knowing he is gone. Prayers go out to Rhett and Kendall and the rest of his family. Gay Griffith. California

August 10 at 9:23 AM



Rhett Ankesheiln January 21 at 1:56 AM

Hay miss gay love you too thanks for the kind words as well!



Rhett Ankesheiln January 21 at 1:54 AM

Hay Scotty it's Rhett, love and miss y'all ! Thanks for the kind words!



Scott Crayon August 10 at 6:44 PM

Very nice Mom. He was a fantastic man and ALWAYS treated us so well. He truly stands out.



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DB

Doug And Marilyn Burch sent a Dreams From the Heart Bouquet to the Ankesheiln III family.



August 10 at 8:16 AM

BH

Brenda Conzoneri Hernandez posted:

Ricky and I were childhood friends...actually sweethearts if that counts when you are 12 or so! My grandmother and Aunt lived in same neighborhood on Ninth Street - so we would hang out whenever my mom visited them. I remember going to a fair in Gretna and he and I were chasing each other with plastic water pistols (a sure sign that we were interested in each other LOL) and I know for a fact we rode The Whip until we were too dizzy to walk...we would often sit on my Aunt Ethel's swing on the porch and just talk, giggle and taunt each other. I reconnected with Ricky on Linked In just about 6 months ago and it was so good to catch up on our kids and grandkids. He will be sadly missed by all who knew him. My heart is so heavy. My hugs and prayers go out to his beautiful family. Brenda Conzoneri (now Hernandez)

August 10 at 8:04 AM

AT

Archie Thompson posted:

I met Ricky nearly 55 years ago as fresh faced 7th graders at Gretna Junior High which burned to the ground while we were cutting classes at LSU in Baton Rouge. I can attest that Ricky and the rest of the Royal Order of Gretna Boys (the "ROOGB's) had nothing to do with that fire but there were some egging and toilet paper missions logged while we were students there. There is a small group of kids from those days that have stayed close over the decades and Rick was the leader of the pack. I never had a biological brother but if I did, I would have wanted them to be just like Rick. He never met a stranger and lived his life according to the Golden Rule of faith. He was color blind during a period of history when many around us were not. He always had that devious, little kid smile that lit up any room or event that was blessed with his presence. I'm sitting here typing this memory in complete disbelief that he is gone. I just pray that there is a large enough sofa couch and flat screen TV in Heaven to allow Ricky to continue watching his beloved Tigers every fall afternoon/evening. To Andy, Ricky's children, grand children, relatives and his large extended family, Pam and I pass on our sincere sympathies. Ricky's life exemplified a life well lived and when alive, he really lived! Archie & Pam Thompson

August 10 at 7:18 AM



Ashley Morgan August 10 at 7:23 AM

Thank you so much for these sweet memories!



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LS

Love, Colette, Garrett And Charles Sutley sent a Serene Retreat to the Ankesheirn III family.

August 10 at 6:17 AM



GS

Griffin And Elisa Sole posted:

We worked with Rick many years ago at Marsh and are so saddened to hear of his passing. He was always so kind and had such a great sense of humor. He will be missed. Praying that you find peace and comfort in your wonderful memories.-Griffin and Elisa Sole

August 10 at 6:16 AM

SS

Sempcheck Services sent a Serenity Wreath to the Ankesheirn III family.

August 10 at 5:54 AM



Anonymous

Anonymous sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Ankesheirn III family.

August 10 at 5:52 AM



CW

Connie Walker posted:

I met Rick in 1995 when I went to work for Century Telephone Enterprises and Rick was with Johnson & Higgins, our partners in Risk Insurance. Rick was a pleasure to work with, dedicated and concerned with a very funny sense of humor, I have many good memories of those years. My thoughts and prayers are with Rick's family, I know he will be missed. May God Bless You. Connie Walker

August 10 at 5:21 AM



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Lynne lit a candle in honor of Joseph F. "Rick".

Dear Andy and family - I first met Rick back in 2003 at a GOP function with Alan Allgood. His intelligence, outgoing personality and sense of humor made him a pleasure to know. He will be missed. May God bless Rick and your entire family. My thoughts and prayers are with you all. Lynne V. Lightfoot (formerly Lynne Loyola)



August 10 at 5:00 AM



Patrick Lynch posted:

Matthew 25:21: His master replied, "well done good and faithful servant! You have been faithful with a few things; I will put you in charge of many things. Come and share your master's happiness."

August 10 at 3:55 AM



Kay Clark posted:

Andy, sending warmest thoughts of sympathy. Please know you are in our thoughts and prayers. Sincerely, Kay Clark

August 10 at 3:46 AM



Anonymous sent an Emerald Garden Basket to the Ankesheiln III family.



August 10 at 2:17 AM



Brenda Ditommaso posted:

Rick will be fondly remembered for his incredible hospitality and open arms to all of our family. Our thoughts and prayers to Andy and Kendall- may your memories comfort you now and always. Brenda & Al DiTommaso

August 9 at 10:37 PM



Anonymous sent a Divine Peace Bouquet to the Ankesheiln III family.



August 9 at 12:56 PM



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Stephen Stewart posted:

Rick was a dear friend and colleague of mine. I always knew that if he was at a meeting we would wind up laughing about something. At the same time he was an incredibly knowledgeable professional on whom we could always rely. He was a true wealth of knowledge, but at the same time probably one of the most humble and caring people I have ever been blessed to know. We have all lost a very special person, and a special personality. Prayers to his loved ones and wishing him peace.

August 9 at 12:48 PM



Kathy Cobb posted:

Danny and I feel much sorrow for the untimely loss of Rick. Our thoughts and prayers are with Andy and the entire family at this most difficult time. We unfortunately are unable to attend the services due to a prior commitment that we are obligated to attend. We are giving Andy our heart felt condolences. Many comforting hugs coming your way and to your entire family. Love, Danny and Kathy Cobb

August 9 at 12:40 PM



Summer Wood Irn posted:

Andy I am so sorry for your loss. Rick was such a fun person and made me laugh. I will keep you and Tory family in my prayers. Summer Woodburn

August 9 at 11:56 AM



Nancy Stephen posted:

I will always remember Rick. He loved to tease me. My prayers are with the family. We will all miss him. Nancy Stephen (Meaghers Tax Center)

August 9 at 10:56 AM



Anonymous sent an Arrive in Style to the Ankesheiln III family.



August 9 at 10:00 AM



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Steve Dauenhauer posted:

A very good friend and a lot of memories from years at WJ and LSU. My thoughts and prayers are with his family. Sincerely and God bless, Steve Dauenhauer

August 9 at 9:51 AM



Melissa Moore posted:

Boy could he make a mean rum cake!!! I was lucky enough to get his recipe. I'll think I'll be making it soon....love and prayers.

August 9 at 9:43 AM



Pam Mcelroy posted:

I am a co-worker of Rick from the Marsh Chicago office. Over the years, I reached out to him for assistance on claim matters. He was always cheerful and helpful. He will be missed as a colleague and trusted resource. My sympathies to his family and close friends. Pam McElroy Marsh Chicago

August 9 at 9:37 AM



Anonymous sent an Ocean Breeze Spray to the Ankesheiln III family.



August 9 at 8:54 AM



Anonymous sent an Arrive in Style to the Ankesheiln III family.



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Anonymous sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Ankesheiln III family.



August 9 at 7:54 AM



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Keith And Joevelyn Beck sent a Ghirardelli Gift Basket to the Ankesheiln III family.



August 9 at 7:01 AM



Glenn & Gayle Perilloux posted:

Although our hearts are heavy, we will never be able to think of Rick without smiling. So many great memories-so much laughter. We will miss being asked to leave so he could go to bed-but always with love and a hug and the next invite! What a blessing to have spent time in his circle. Andy and their family were always part of a fun and loving experience. What a blessing! He will be truly missed. May God bless all who loved him and may all be filled with fond memories and thanksgiving for the time spent with Rick. Our prayers and thoughts will be with you all. Glenn and Gayle Perilloux (Money Hill)

August 9 at 5:53 AM



Anonymous sent a Fruit Abounds to the Ankesheiln III family.



August 9 at 5:38 AM



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DS

Diana Huckabee Smith posted:

So sorry for your loss. May God bless you. We will miss his smile and friendliness at our class reunion in October. I'm very disappointed that his smiling face will not be in our earthly presence, but I'm sure he'll be smiling down on our reunion. Diana Huckabee Smith, Searcy, AR

August 8 at 4:15 PM

BB

Bill Brown August 12 at 8:02 AM

To my first friend moving to the Deep South in the 70's. RIP Bill & Karen Brown

MW

Mattie Whitney August 9 at 4:10 PM

Our prayers go out to the family. He graduated with us from West Jefferson and we were looking forward to seeing him at the reunion. May his soul rest in peace. Mattie and Neil Whitney

VG

Virginia Gober August 9 at 11:37 AM

We have been friends with Rick for over 20 years. He was always loving, compassionate and more fun to be around than any other person I know. Rick, I know that you are in Heaven and for that I am happy, but I will miss you forever.

BV

Bill And Cheryl Vanderbrook August 9 at 10:18 AM

My prayers go out to Rick's immediate family, simply can't find the words to express the sadness. I can thank god he and I were cousins, will always remember.



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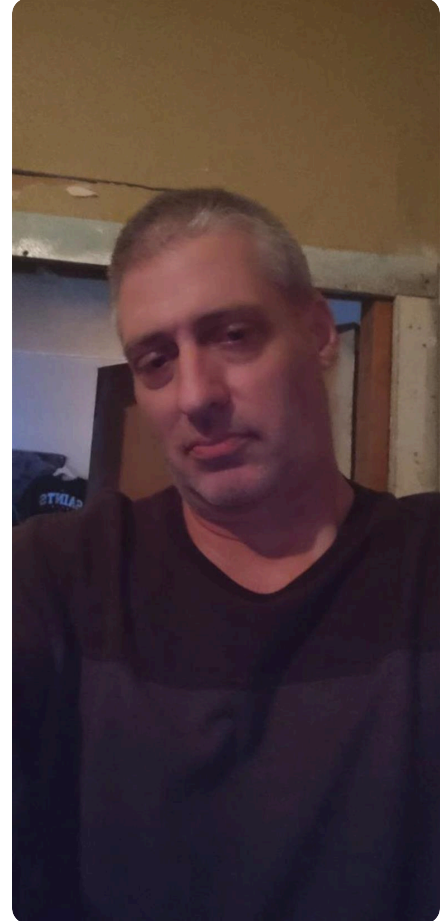
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Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Joseph F. "Rick" by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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