



Jeffrey Roger Richie

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Jeffrey Roger Richie, age 65, of Surprise, Arizona, passed away on January 5, 2026. He was born on March 18, 1960, in Cleveland, Ohio, to Connie (née Felice) Richie and the late Jack Richie.

Jeffrey is survived by his loving mother, Connie Richie; his beloved daughter, Ashley Hetman; his devoted siblings, Todd Richie and Jacqueline Brodzinski; and his cherished nieces and nephews: Connor Richie, Amanda (Zachary) Green, Richie Richie, and Sam Brodzinski. He was also a proud great-uncle to Brody Green and cousin to Jason Schelling.

He was preceded in death by his father, Jack Richie, and his loyal service dog, Cheyenne.

In addition to being a proud veteran of the United States Navy, Jeffrey dedicated many years of service as a Commander with the VFW and remained deeply involved in numerous veterans' charities. He worked closely with many organizations to support fellow service members and their families, continuing his commitment to those who served long after his own military career ended.

Jeffrey carried the values of determination, loyalty, and service throughout his life. He worked in the construction industry, where his strong work ethic, integrity, and caring nature earned him the respect and admiration of many. He was also an avid sports fan and an old-school boxing enthusiast.

Jeffrey also had a special love for dogs—some might even say he was a true dog whisperer. His gentle heart, unwavering dedication, and warm spirit touched the lives of all who knew him. He will be deeply loved, forever remembered, and profoundly missed.

A visitation will be held Thursday, January 22, 2026, from 5-8PM at Sunset Chapel, 6245 Columbia Road, North Olmsted, Ohio 44070. A funeral service will take place Friday, January 23,



Obituary

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2026, at 11 AM at Sunset Chapel, 6245 Columbia Road, North Olmsted, Ohio 44070 with burial to follow.

In lieu of flowers please consider donating to Crazy Horse Memorial at <https://crazyhorsememorial.org/> and or any charity of your choice that supports veterans.



Events

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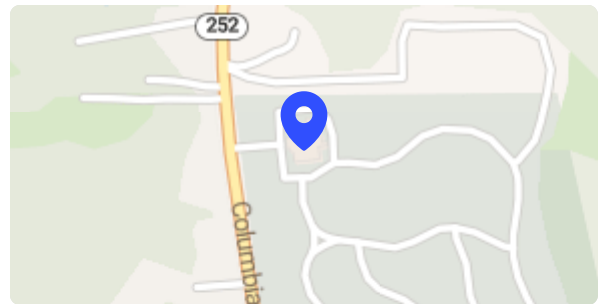
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Visitation


 **Thursday**, January 22, 2026

 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM ET

 **Sunset Chapel**
6245 Columbia Road, North Olmsted OH 44070

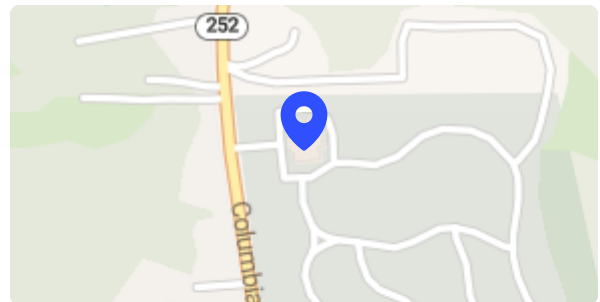


Funeral Service

 **Friday**, January 23, 2026


 11:00 AM ET

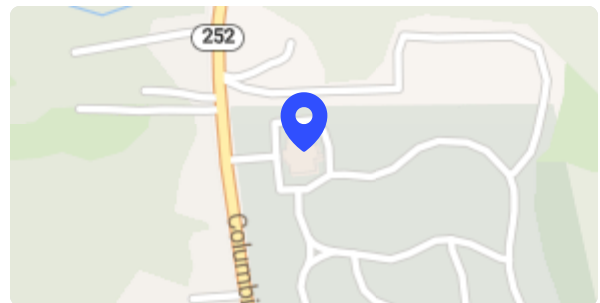
 **Sunset Chapel**
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Cemetery Details

 **Sunset Cemetery**
6265 Columbia Road, North Olmsted OH 44070

 **(440) 249-6256**





Tribute Wall

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Cathy Y. planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Jeffrey.



February 13 at 5:39 PM



Debbie Cosgrove lit a candle in honor of Jeffrey.

Jeff was a great veteran and cousin - Our staff met him when he come see Jason. He spoke to all the veterans and appreciated their service as they appreciated his! Cheyanne and his other loving dogs were his family we saw at the facility where they played in and around the pond for the visits! A man that meant well to many people! RIP Jeff and sending condolences to his entire family. Debbie Our House



January 22 at 6:55 PM



Anonymous sent a Serene Retreat to the Richie family.



January 22 at 10:10 AM



Joe, Joann, Emily, Alex - Deranek planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Jeffrey.



January 22 at 10:10 AM



Rick & Lynn Strachan sent a Strength & Solace Spray to the Richie family.



January 20 at 11:52 PM



Rick & Lynn Strachan planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Jeffrey.



January 20 at 11:52 PM



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From The Osborne Family sent a Peaceful White Lilies Basket to the Richie family.



January 20 at 11:37 PM



Don Galvin posted:

We walked and talked about life and how to help th the N. Olmstead VFW. we wanted to build a deck and run tournaments for homeless And Suicide prevention for the Vets..We must have walked with his Dog!!all the way to Bradley Rd. I Miss him already...PEACE 🙏🕊 OUT.....

January 20 at 11:33 AM



Beverly Faulhaber lit a candle in honor of Jeffrey.

My condolences to Jeff's family. May he rest in peace.



January 19 at 9:37 AM



Amy Russ Ans Olivia sent a Sacred Duty Spray to the Richie family.



January 17 at 10:00 PM



Amy Russ Ans Olivia planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Jeffrey.



January 17 at 10:00 PM



Diana Smithson posted:

Jeff was our neighbor here in Arizona. He loved talking with my teen boys about sports and saying hi to my husband and I as we walked our dog. Truly a kind sole!

January 17 at 9:47 PM



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Jason Roberts posted:

Pay it forward

January 17 at 4:10 PM



Jason Roberts posted:

Prayer circles at the end of Neighborhood Group meetings with Cheyenne in the middle. His honesty and transparency about life

January 17 at 4:10 PM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Jeffrey by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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