



Eric R. Richardson

June 11, 1946 - March 4, 2026

Eric Rex Richardson, age 79, passed away peacefully on March 4, 2026, in Lake Orion, Michigan. Born in Bartlesville, Oklahoma, Eric was the son of Rex and Anna Richardson.

Eric was a proud veteran of the United States Army, serving during the Vietnam War. His time in the service sparked a lifelong fascination with history and vintage machinery that would define much of his life. He was a dedicated collector of military vehicles, often seen preparing his gear for military reenactments—allowing him to preserve the stories and equipment of his fellow servicemen.

His passion for the mechanical extended to the open road. Alongside his father, Eric restored several MG cars, and for many years they were fixtures in the local MG car club. He took great joy in the camaraderie of club events and the rows of old British cars. Eric also held a deep appreciation for British motorcycles from every era. He was a familiar face at events like the "Battle of the Brits," where he spent decades buying, selling, and trading vintage bikes.

He was never without a feline companion, and his love for his cats remained at the forefront of his mind until the very end, as he continued to ask after them.

Eric was preceded in death by his sister, Letty Martin, and his brother, Enoch (Nick) Richardson. He is survived by his nieces and nephews: Douglas (Holly) Martin, Scott (Chelle) Martin, Brian (Jillian) Richardson, and Courtney (Jens) Vollmer.

In lieu of flowers, the family kindly requests donations be made in Eric's honor to the Michigan Military Technical and Historical Society in Eastpointe, MI (mimths.org/donation), an organization that mirrors his passion for military history and preservation.

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Cemetery Details

Great Lakes National Cemetery

4200 Belford Rd.
Holly, MI 48442

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 12. 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

Dryer Funeral Home
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Holly, MI 48442
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Visitation

MAR 12. 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

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Funeral Service

MAR 13. 1:00 PM (ET)

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Military Honors and Burial

MAR 13. 2:30 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

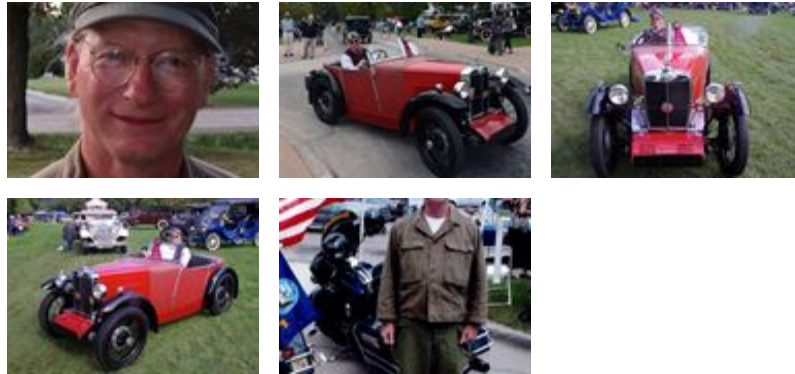


“ Janice H. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Eric R. Richardson.

Janice H. - March 13 at 10:49 AM



“ 26 files added to the album Life Tributes



Dryer Funeral Home, Inc. - March 11 at 12:19 PM



“ Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Eric R. Richardson.



March 10 at 07:39 PM

LJ

“ 7 files added to the album Eric and MGs



Lee Jacobsen - March 10 at 12:14 PM

TM

“ The Officers and Members of the MVCC-MI planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Eric R. Richardson.

The Officers and Members of the MVCC-MI - March 10 at 08:24 AM

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“ The Officers and Members of the MVCC-MI purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Eric R. Richardson.



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ME

“ Eric will be missed in our MI Chapter NEMGTR and at Greenfield Village events in his Military uniform riding around on his vintage motorcycle. May he RIP ~ Melody Klemmer (President of the MI Chapter NEMGTR)



Melody - March 08 at 07:08 PM

LJ

“ I first met Eric in the 60s, at Carnival of Cars at the Packard Proving Grounds, when it still had its track. I was admiring a Beautiful Allard, remarked to the chap next to me..."\$3000 seems steep for a mint car"...hi, my name's Lee, what do you think? "Eric here, I am into MGs, have a TC that I'm working on with my Dad...yeah, that's steep. That Gull wing is only \$2800! Let's walk around...those were the days....and Eric and I have been walking together ever since.....a good friend.....rest in peace.....Cheers, Lee Jacobsen

Lee Jacobsen - March 06 at 09:19 PM