



## Richard J. Nye Sr.

February 11, 1937 - February 13, 2023

Richard J. Nye, Sr. 86, of Bonita Springs died February 13, 2023, at his residence. He was born February 11, 1937, in Carey, OH a son of the late Kenneth E. and Marjorie C. Nye. He had been a resident of Bonita Springs since 1998 coming from Brunswick, OH.

After high school, Richard enlisted in the U.S. Navy where he served 3 years during the Korean Conflict. Upon returning home, he began his career with Riser Foods in Bedford, OH. There he served as their plant manager, general plant manager and when he retired in 1998, he was Vice President of Eagle Ice Cream a division of Riser Foods.

He was a member of the Bonita Springs Moose Lodge and a volunteer with the American Red Cross. Richard spent a lot of time away from home with the Red Cross. Due to his background in the food industry, Richard oversaw the logistics of food distribution at many natural disasters for the American Red Cross including Hurricane Katrina, Super Storm Sandy, and the Colorado Wild Fires. In June of 2016, he was awarded the Volunteer of the Year, the Carlene Sharples Commitment Award for his dedicated service.

For the past 20 years, he has been employed at Bonita Fairways overseeing the cart barn and most recently as the starter.

He is survived by his loving wife of 61 years, Catherine E. Nye of Bonita Springs; two daughters, Sara E. Heil of Ft. Myers, FL and Laurie A. Oakes of Bonita Springs, FL; one son, Richard J. Nye, Jr. and his wife, Geannie Nye of Middlefield, OH; 3 grandchildren, Katie Nye, Darrien Heil, and Kayla Oakes; and 2 great-grandchildren, Poppy and Wyatt. He is also survived by his two sisters, June Nye and Janet Lucik; and three brothers, Donald Nye, Robert Nye, and Dale Nye.

He was preceded in death by his parents and two brothers, Edward Nye and Gaylord Nye.

A memorial service to celebrate his life will be held on Thursday, February 23, 2023, at 1:00 PM at Shikany's Bonita Funeral Home 28300 S. Tamiami Tr., Bonita Springs, FL with Rev. Dr. Bob N. Wallace, officiating.

To sign his guest register or to leave online condolences please visit [www.ShikanyFuneralHome.com](http://www.ShikanyFuneralHome.com).

Arrangements are being handled by Shikany's Bonita Funeral Home Family Owned and Operated Since 1978.

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

FEB **23**. 1:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Richard J. Nye Sr.*

October 09, 2023 at 03:40 AM



“ *Hello Kate & Family, So sorry we couldn't be at Rich's service. We were out of town. Our deepest sympathy to all of you. Rich was a cool guy & a good friend, We will miss him dearly . Everyday we go into to work we still expect him to be sitting in his golf cart running the show like clockwork. Love & Hugs Bobby & Roz Kate please call if you need anything:)*

**Roslyn Stuart** - March 02, 2023 at 11:48 AM



“ *Nye purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Richard J. Nye Sr..*



**Nye** - February 22, 2023 at 12:07 PM



“ *My dear friend, you will truly be missed. I love going out on that calls with you and helping clients. I will miss your laughter and your smile. You're one of my best friends. Thank you for always being there for me.*

**Linda Ross** - February 21, 2023 at 12:33 AM



*Thank you!*

**Laurie Nye Oakes** - February 23, 2023 at 08:57 AM

PM

“ Dear Kate, Richie, Sara, and Laurie.....So sorry to hear the sad news about our dear, dear friend. May you RIP Rich and may God Bless Kate and your entire family. ( I'll be in contact soon Kate, Richie gave me your new #.) Hugs my friend. Pam and Greg

Pamela Kay Miller - February 18, 2023 at 06:29 AM

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Thank you pam

Catherine nye - February 19, 2023 at 03:04 PM



Thank you!

Laurie Nye Oakes - February 23, 2023 at 08:57 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Richard J. Nye Sr..



February 17, 2023 at 05:27 PM