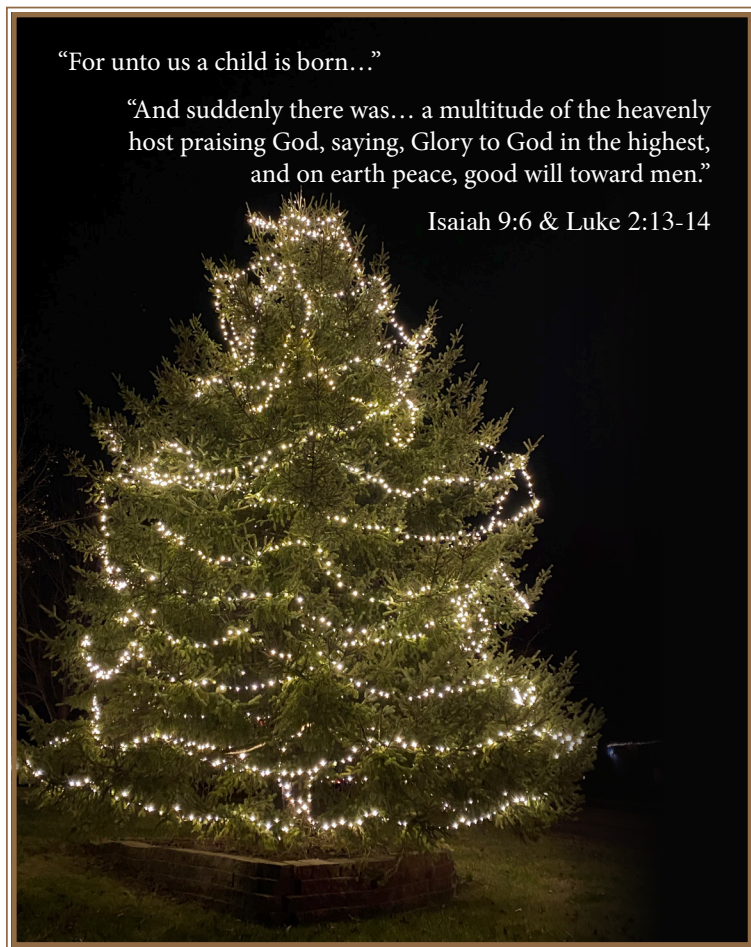


As we celebrate Rex's life, remember he is celebrating the best Christmas he's ever had—in person with our Savior! This year, Rex wanted to light up this tree in our yard to proclaim His birth to our community, and it was his hope that your Christmas would be filled with the joy of a personal relationship with Jesus Christ.



“For unto us a child is born...”

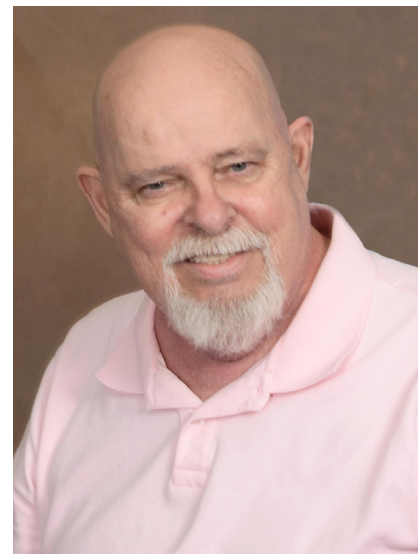
“And suddenly there was... a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, saying, Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.”

Isaiah 9:6 & Luke 2:13-14

IN APPRECIATION

Rex's family wants to express sincere appreciation for the love and support you gave Rex during his long illness, and for the comforting thoughts and prayers, floral tributes, social media posts, food, and other acts of kindness in recent days.

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REX RICHARD EIGHMEY

AUGUST 16, 1948 - DECEMBER 20, 2020

REMEMBERING REX

Mr. Rex Richard Eighmey, age 72, peacefully left his earthly home and saw Jesus face-to-face on Sunday, December 20, 2020. He lived life robustly, never letting anything dampen his love for people and for life itself.

Rex was born on August 16, 1948 in Waterloo, Iowa, the son of Richard and Zelma LeBahn, raised by a loving aunt and uncle until he was adopted by Keith and Beth Eighmey, and moved to Phoenix, Arizona at age 5. Rex was married on September 6, 1980 in Jefferson City, Missouri to Carol Russell who survives at the home.

His adoptive mother, Beth, a school teacher, made sure he completed his formal studies, but Rex always said he learned everything he needed to know while shining shoes in his dad's barbershop. He joined the United States Marine Corps during the Vietnam Era and, after a medical discharge, moved to Missouri and lived in Jefferson City the last 51 years of his life.

Rex's natural congeniality served him well in a variety of sales positions, including many years in the insurance business and as a small business owner. Among his favorite pastimes was drinking coffee with other locals, and he always knew what was going on around town. For a time, he was an active bass fisherman and fished numerous tournaments at Lake of the Ozarks.

Later in life, he discovered a love for children, working in Cub Scouts and helping teach the four-year-old Sunday School class at Concord Baptist Church. Several young women who were team teachers with him or parents of his students became dear friends, and Rex's long-lasting relationships with them were a special blessing.

As his friends and family were well aware, Rex loved to tell stories. This pastime became more precious after chronic illness limited his ability to travel, and he was blessed by many family members and friends coming to his home to visit and swap tales, even if the stories became more embellished with time!

Rex had a passion for gospel music, the Word, and his relationship with Jesus, often sharing his favorite Bible verse: "Thy Word have I hid in my heart, that I might not sin against Thee." He certainly "never met a stranger" and was unfailingly interested in the lives of others, including nurses and techs who cared for him, sharing his faith with all.

Rex is survived by his loving wife of 40 years, Carol; one son, Rex "Rusty" Eighmey (wife, Kim) of Kirkwood, Missouri; two daughters, Lora Eighmey and Natalie Moore (husband, Chuck) of Sullivan, Missouri; the mother of his daughters, Nancy Jones (husband, Larry) of New Bloomfield, Missouri; one grandson, Austin Moore (wife, Madison) and granddaughter, Kelsey Moore, both of Warrensburg, Missouri; two sisters, Kathy Rae Richard and Kathy Lou Seese of Arizona; and one brother, Keith Starkes of Arizona.

He was preceded in death by his parents; one sister, Vicki Earp; and an infant child.

CELEBRATION OF LIFE

1:30 p.m. Wednesday, December 23, 2020

Concord Baptist Church

Jefferson City, Missouri

The Reverend Dr. Monte Shinkle

Beth Atkinson, Musician

Prelude

Welcome

Prayer

Congregational Hymn..... "It is Well With My Soul"

Musical Selection "Be Still My Soul"

Message

Prayer

Video "The Blood"

Military Honors

Bag Pipes

PRIVATE GRAVESIDE SERVICE

Riverview Cemetery

Jefferson City, Missouri

PALLBEARERS

Austin Moore Shilo Bethards John Doyle

Steve Schmitz Grant Shorthose Dean Hopkins