



## Richard Allen Borde

April 5, 1942 - November 23, 2020

### Richard Allen Borde

Richard Allen Borde, of Lakeland, Florida, went to be with his Heavenly Father, on November 23, 2020 at the age of 88. After several months of declining health, he passed away peacefully at home. He was a great husband, father, grandfather, great-grandfather, and most importantly to him, a child of God.

Richard "Dick" Borde was born on April 5, 1932 to George Henry Borde, Jr. and Ernesta "B" Allen Borde in Winter Haven, FL. His family moved to Tampa, FL where he graduated from Plant High School in January 1949.

In February 1951, during the Korean conflict, he enlisted in the US Coast Guard and was stationed in New Orleans, LA until he was honorably discharged in February 1954. During his military service, he married his high-school sweetheart, Gloria Anne Arrington, on January 26, 1952. They were married almost 40 years when she was diagnosed with a rare and terminal kidney disease and preceded him in death on November 21, 1991.

Richard attended both Yale University and the University of Florida. He graduated from the University of Florida in 1957 with a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration.

Following college, Richard began his life long career as a CPA. He worked in both Baton Rouge, LA and in Lakeland and Winter Haven, FL. His employment included, A. Edgar Thomas, CPA; Stupp Corporation; Borde & Morton, CPAs; Carter, Belcourt and Atkinson; and Adamson and Co., P.A. Richard loved his career and actively practiced until he retired in 2015 at the age of 83.

Richard avidly loved sailing. He competed in many sailing regattas on his boat, Freedom Flyer; and enjoyed, traveling, reading, and was a huge fan of the Florida Gators. He was a member of the Apollo Beach Yacht Club; the Tampa Sailing Squadron; treasurer of TSS Youth Sailing Squadron; an active member of the Kiwanis Club; on the Board of Directors

for the Citrus Chapter of the National Kidney Foundation; and was an active member of The Great Commission Worship Center.

September 5, 1992 Richard married Loretta Bumgarner. During 28-years of marriage, they enjoyed spending time with their children, grandchildren; and extended family. They shared a special gift of recognizing those in need of assistance, and were willing to share their time and resources for help and hope.

Richard was survived by his wife Loretta; children, Susan Allen; Barbara (Richard) Tulley; Richard "Rick" Borde; Becky (Warner) Mitchell; and Gina (Preston) Zwanzig. He was also survived by his grandchildren; John Tulley; Beth Tulley; Shelly (Jad) Denmark; Brooke (Austin) Albury; Lauren (Joseph) Wilder; Jesse Allen; Gordon Allen; and Sabrina Allen. His great grandchildren are Lleyton Denmark; Hayden Denmark; Lilly Denmark; Denver Albury; and Madeleine Allen. He was also survived by numerous nieces and nephews. Richard was preceded in death by his parents; wife Gloria; older sister Becky Bourg and brother-in-law, Jimmy Bourg.

A special thank you to VITAS hospice, especially team 234, for their loving care and support over the last six months and particularly during his final days. Richard often referred to his VITAS team as guardian angels that took extremely good care of not just him, but of his family also.

Visitation will be at Gentry Morrison South, 1727 Bartow Road, Lakeland, FL 33801 on Monday, November 30, 2020 from 6–8 pm and funeral services are on Tuesday, December 1, 2020 at 10 am. Burial will follow at Oak Hill Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to VITAS Healthcare Hospice, 6850 New Tampa Hwy Ste 600, Lakeland, FL 33815.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV **30**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Gentry-Morrison Funeral Homes - Southside Chapel  
1727 Bartow Road  
Lakeland, FL 33801  
(863) 688-7679  
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## Funeral Service

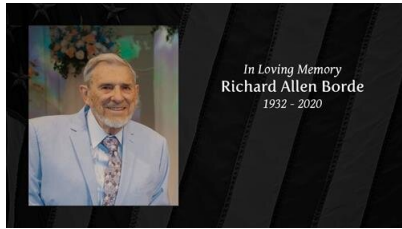
DEC **1**. 10:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Gentry-Morrison Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of Richard Allen Borde*



**Gentry-Morrison Funeral Homes** - November 28, 2020 at 11:10 AM

JJ

*Prayers and blessings to all family members!*

**Janine Jones** - November 28, 2020 at 05:22 PM

RT

*Beautiful tribute to an amazing man who was a friend to all. Those pictures bring back so many good memories. He will certainly be missed!*

**Robin (Allen) Tucker** - November 29, 2020 at 10:00 AM

JS

“ *I had the pleasure of caring for Mr Borde for the past 6 months, he touched my life in so many ways in such a short time. I am so thankful that God placed him in my life, I will cherish him always!*



**Jenn Saylor** - December 01, 2020 at 10:15 PM

JA

“ *Amazing Patriotic American God bless you Richard*

**John Allen** - December 01, 2020 at 09:04 AM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Richard Allen Borde.*



November 30, 2020 at 01:07 PM

DH

“ *What a special man he was. He will always hold a very special place in my heart as a dear friend, mentor, and brother in Christ. Deepest sympathy to all his family.*

Diane Herrington - November 29, 2020 at 10:06 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Richard Allen Borde.*



November 29, 2020 at 08:11 AM

DM

“ *Rest In Peace my good friend, we had many good times together.*

David McDougall - November 29, 2020 at 12:52 AM

DE

*Such a wonderful man. He was always so kind*

Dean and Lana Elrod - November 29, 2020 at 08:57 AM

MB

“ *Praying for you all.*

Mary Bouilly - November 28, 2020 at 08:22 PM

AB

“ *Sending condolences to all family members & friends! May God give you comfort & peace now & in the days ahead!! Wayne & Ann Bumgarner, North Carolina*

Ann Bumgarner - November 28, 2020 at 06:38 PM

JA

“ *John H Allen purchased the Rose Garden Heart for the family of Richard Allen Borde.*



John H Allen - November 28, 2020 at 06:06 PM

PJ

“ *A kind and gentle soul; one who will be truly and deeply missed. We Love you, Uncle Richard*❤️

Pam Jolly - November 28, 2020 at 05:14 PM

KG

“ *Kimberly George lit a candle in memory of Richard Allen Borde*



Kimberly George - November 27, 2020 at 10:48 PM

FF

*Farewell My Good Friend Richard! The World has lost a great man who had such compassion toward so many others that had the honor to have known you and who was a very vital part of theirs lives. You are know is heaven with God and others who have passed before you. I know you are shinning so brightly among the heavens still bringing such inspiration and joy to other souls you encounter you. The World Loss is Heaven's Gain! I thank you for being a great friend for over 20 years.. you truly have inspired me and my life in so, so many ways. Your Friend and Fellow Veteran Frank Ferraioli.*

Frank Ferraioli - November 28, 2020 at 10:13 AM

JA

“ *JOHN ALLEN lit a candle in memory of Richard Allen Borde*



JOHN ALLEN - November 27, 2020 at 07:37 PM