

# Richard Calvin Everett

*April 18, 1949 ~ March 9, 2026*

Richard Calvin Everett passed away unexpectedly though peacefully at his home at Canyon Lake, Texas on March 9, 2026. Richard was born on April 18, 1949 in Salt Lake City, Utah to Jeanne Adele Riches and John Norman Everett.

Born the third of four boys, Richard made sure to create his own individual place in the family dynamic with his playful personality and mischievous antics. Always with a twinkle in his eyes!

So mischievous he enlisted in the US Navy reserves at age 17, rather than the family tradition of joining the US Army. Tricking his father into signing his draft papers to sign up early.

While serving in Vietnam he held multiple positions including one of radio operator. Traveling to Asia on leave, he sent home many special treasures to his family.

Upon his discharge he explored a wide range of careers from being a stuntman at Lagoon, as well as a few TV shows, to working in graphics before it was such a thing. Spent many years at both Sunset Sports and Sportsman's warehouse in firearm sales. Finishing out his career until retirement with the US Postal Service in both Utah and Oregon.

Rich had many interests, was a gun and boat enthusiast, and an avid duck hunter and fisherman. Though he eventually swapped his guns and fly rods for cameras and tripods.

Richard married Jane Peterson, (deceased), however they later divorced.

Richard married again on June 1, 1991, the love of his life, Susan Renee Fox after dating for many years. Gaining 8 more brothers and sisters! Rich and Sue loved to go camping and boating. They lived in the Salt Lake Valley for several years before heading to the Oregon coast to put their boat in the water and so Richard could share his love of the sea with Sue. I think we all have sand dollars from the beaches they combed. Briefly returned to Utah before moving to a warmer, drier climate in Canyon Lake, Texas that would be gentler for Sue’s arthritis. Enjoyed retirement together by traveling to Hawaii and Mexico for special occasions, visited close friends and often returned to see their families in Utah. Richard took tender care of Sue as she was his everything for over 31 years before her passing in 2022 and beyond.

Heartbroken and never quite the same, Rich filled his days at the VFW, played in a shuffleboard league, captured wild life photos in his yard and visited Utah often. He recently started to expand his travels by going on a cruise and making new friends of which he stayed in touch. He enjoyed baseball and went to several ballparks to collect World Series rings.

While he did not have children, he bred and raised many special dogs over the course of his life. And he must have certainly created the phrase “Funcle”, as he was the star of every family gathering to his many nieces and nephews

as well as their children over the years.

Rich was extremely thoughtful and generous, bringing us treasures from Texas, sending funny cards on our birthdays and texting photos of the deer in his yard or commenting on the weather. Rarely a harsh word spoken and kind to everyone.

Preceded in death by his father & mother, his beloved wife Sue, brother and sister in laws, two nieces and a great niece.

He is survived by his brothers, Steven Edward Everett (Elena), John Norman Everett Jr (Vicky) and Joseph Allen Everett (Kari). His “sisters” Elaine Maxwell, Dianne Coombs (Earl), Patty Fox, Judy Fox, and brother-in-law Kenneth Fox (Shellie). Many special nieces, nephews, their spouses, greats and grands. Cousins, dear friends and veterans.

While his passing leaves an empty space in all our hearts, we will never forget that mischievous twinkle in his eyes. You are loved.

A gathering will be held in Richard's honor on April 30, 2026 beginning at 10:00 a.m. at Larkin Sunset Gardens, 2350 E 1300 S, Salt Lake City. A sharing of memories will follow at 10:30 a.m. and the interment will take place at 11:00 a.m.