



Walter Albert Ricker

September 9, 1931 - February 9, 2026

Walter A. Ricker 94, of Chambersburg passed away at home on February 9, 2026. Born September 9, 1931, to Albert Ricker and Emma (Bowers). He is survived by his wife of 73 years, Norma M (Rock) Ricker; seven children: Steven, Cynthia (Greg) Cross, Michael, David, Gerald (Melinda), Linda (Greg) Moser, and Brenda (John) Kerr; 24 grandchildren; numerous great grandchildren and several great-great grandchildren.

Walter was preceded in death by his grandson D. Jonathan; brother Lawrence and sister-in-law Marion; nephew Gary Ricker, and his daughter-in-law Carolyn (Call).

He served in the US Army 1953-1954 during the Korean Conflict as a Wheel Vehicle Mechanic, with a tour in West Germany.

Walter was a man of many talents and was known as a Jack of all Trades. He was never afraid to try to learn something new. He played the bones at many of the local festivals that he and his sweetheart attended and was known as the Bone Man around Chambersburg.

He worked as an auto body mechanic for Frank Gayman Chevrolet - Oldsmobile and VT Angle & Sons Pontiac - Buick - Cadillac dealership. His last job was working for Sealtest (Kraft Foods) for over 30 years in numerous positions.

Funeral services will be held at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, 50 Ragged Edge Road, Chambersburg, Pa 17202, on February 16, 2026. The viewing will be held that morning from 10:00 AM - 11:45 AM. The

service will begin at 12:00 PM.

Graveside services will follow at Parklawns Memorial Gardens, 3218 Philadelphia Avenue, Chambersburg, PA.

Arrangements are being handled by Sellers Funeral Home.

Cemetery Details

Parklawns Memorial Gardens & Mausoleum

3218 Philadelphia Ave
Chambersburg, PA 17201

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 16. 10:00 AM - 11:45 AM (ET)

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints
50 Ragged Edge Rd
Chambersburg, PA 17201

Funeral Service

FEB 16. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

LD

“ I knew Mr Ricker and his family growing up just two doors down from their place. They were always good to our family and help us boys work on various things. Always enjoyed running into him and Mike at Lowes and getting caught up. He will be missed very much. My thoughts and prayers are with your family.

Lonnie Doyle - February 19 at 05:05 PM

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“ He is my Father he started his family in the 1905's raising 7 children on an income that today would not do much. He was not afraid of work and taught me and my siblings the value of hard work. We enjoyed having our father around, when he was home from work. He never shied away from any of his responsibilities. He loved our mother till the day he passed away, she was by his side to the very end.

I remember we had a wading pool in the back yard and one summer day we got into our swim suits and played out in the rain, in the pool.

The best part was he would on an individual level spend time with each of his children, and share some of his life's experiences. And told us to get a good education, because he did not finish his schooling.

Dad, you will be missed by me, I know the Lord is pleased with your efforts.

Love your Son David

David Ricker - February 12 at 09:27 PM



“ I knew The Ricker family years back when his mother worked the soda fountain at Peoples Drug Store on South Main Street.....his mother made the best pimento sandwich ever. She was a great lady and I am sure her son son was also a great member of the Ricker family

Blessings to the family

Keep on.....keeping on

Emmett Kessinger and family

Chambersburg Pa

Sherrill Kessinger - February 12 at 09:49 AM



“ Uncle Sonny was the go-to man of the Rock family, helping my mom for many, many years during her later life (along with his wife and sons). I've never known a harder working man (and woman) than Norma and Sonny Ricker. Sunday evening gatherings at their home were the best, with everyone taking turns at cranking the handle of the ice cream maker out on the back porch (don't forget the Grape-Nuts!). Additionally, everyone loved gathering around to hear Sonny play the spoons (bones) to the great delight of his nieces and nephews. Uncle Sonny gave the best hugs and always had a cheery disposition in life. Besides providing our family with all of the cottage cheese we could eat, Sonny gave all around him genuine love and affection, compassionate service, wonderful company and conversation, and a welcoming home (and garage) to all who needed it. Rest in peace, Uncle!

LuAnn Spidel Septon - February 12 at 07:35 AM

LH

“ *Sonny was such a good man and very hard working. He supplied our family with a constant flow of cottage cheese. The homemade ice cream gatherings were the best. I've never seen a man eat so much food yet need a belt to hold up his breeches.(Although his kids probably didn't appreciate the fact that he had to wear a belt). He will be missed.*

lori hansen - February 11 at 03:15 PM