



Richard S. Koterba

January 15, 1935 - August 7, 2025

Richard Stanley Koterba, 90, resident of Cape Girardeau, Missouri, passed away peacefully on Thursday, August 7, 2025.

He was born on January 15, 1935 in Passaic, New Jersey to Stanley Koterba and Catherine Terpko.

Rich is survived by his loving wife Joan of 67 years; his two children Richard and Mary, daughter-in-law Evelyn, and granddaughter Nicole.

A proud United States Army Veteran, Richard held the rank of Specialist, and was awarded the Good Conduct medal. Following his military service, he served as a Battalion Chief Firefighter for the State of New Jersey.

He enjoyed photography, woodcarving, fishing, word puzzles, reading, coloring books, and watching western movies.

A Celebration of Life service will be held on Monday, August 11, 2025, 10:30 AM to 11:00 AM at Ford & Sons Mt. Auburn Chapel in Cape Girardeau.

The funeral service will follow at 11:00 AM on Monday at the funeral home, officiated by Deacon Al Stoverink, followed by full military honors.

A private family burial will take place on Tuesday, August 12, 2025 at Cape County Memorial Park Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to Missouri Veterans Home, 2400 Veterans Memorial Drive, Cape Girardeau, MO 63701.

Online condolences may be shared at www.fordandsonsfuneralhome.com <<http://www.fordandsonsfuneralhome.com>>

Ford & Sons Funeral Home - Mt. Auburn is in charge of arrangements.

Gone from our sight, but never from our hearts.

Cemetery Details

Cape County Memorial Park Cemetery

2315 Highway 61 North
Cape Girardeau, MO 63701
(573) 334-1909
<https://www.fordandsonsfuneralhome.com/>

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG **11**. 10:30 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Ford and Sons Mt. Auburn Chapel
1001 N. Mt. Auburn Rd.
Cape Girardeau, MO 63701

Funeral Service

AUG **11**. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ Mr. koterba was absolutely precious. I had the privilege of getting to know him and helping him while he stayed at the Missouri Veterans Home. I was a CNA and he was always appreciative and kind. He loves his warm blankets just before bed. His loving heart will always be remembered and he will be forever missed until we all meet again. Until then, fly high Mr. Koterba. We love u. - Tonya Tipton, former CNA at the Missouri Veterans home. My Prayers and condolences go out to the family.

Tonya Tipton - August 31, 2025 at 12:04 PM



“ I will never forget you Mr. koterba. We will miss you greatly and We love u big. <3
A previous Awing CNA- From the Mo. Veterans Home ; Tonya Tipton.

Tonya Tipton - August 10, 2025 at 08:32 PM



“ Jersey boy you be so missed at the MO VA Home on A wing. U are/were so loved by all of us. Enjoy some lobster and wine ❤️

Tammy T - August 10, 2025 at 06:14 PM



“ Evelyn's Work Family purchased the Be My Love Bouquet with Red Roses for the family of Richard S. Koterba.



Evelyn's Work Family - August 09, 2025 at 10:35 AM