



## Richard Marion Doss

December 22, 1951 - December 1, 2018

Richard M. Doss, 66, born December 22, 1951, was called to his heavenly home on December 1, 2018. He is survived by his beloved mother, Elouise Helton Doss; sister, Elaine Dalton; brother-in-law, Robert (Bob) Dalton, Sr.; niece and nephew, MacKenzie Dalton and Robert (Bobby) Dalton, Jr., as well as the love of his life, Pat Smith Lipham.

Richard shared his many God-given talents in art and IT with many. He was one of Newnan's local artists, having served as a former Secretary of the Newnan-Coweta Art Society. He restored stained glass light fixtures in The Fox Theater in Atlanta, displayed an angel done in pastels at the High Museum of Art and had a contemporary sculpture purchased and displayed at what is now Clayton State University. Richard's passion for art included photography, jewelry making and mediums in pastels, acrylics, oils and pencil.

A celebration of Richard's life where we can share some of our memories and stories about him will be on Saturday, December 8 beginning at 2pm. Please email [daltongang4@yahoo.com](mailto:daltongang4@yahoo.com) for additional information on this celebration.

Condolences may be expressed to the family online at [www.mckoon.com](http://www.mckoon.com).

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# Tribute Wall

SS

“ Richard was incredibly generous to the Portrait Society of Atlanta for well over 20 years of volunteering. We had not heard of his passing but now wish to share how many friends have missed him in recent years as his health declined, and how many are now mourning. So many of us loved him for his heart, his spirit, his art and his mind. His dependable technical skills enabled us to function for many years. His critical artistic eye helped us with individual critiques. His humor kept us rolling! But his loyalty as a friend topped all of that. With Richard as your friend, you never felt unloved. He was my special friend and many others can say the same as he connected uniquely with each person. We loved him and will miss him but we know he is pain free now and waiting to give us a hug when we see him again. Rest peacefully dear friend. Sincere condolences to your mother, sister & love of your life, Pat. - Suzanne & the PSA

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**Suzanne Smith** - August 20, 2019 at 12:16 AM

DC

“ Dave Callaway lit a candle in memory of Richard Marion Doss



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**Dave Callaway** - December 21, 2018 at 06:35 PM

DC

“ I grew up in Grove Park in NW Atlanta with Richard as a good friend. I always loved Richard’s sense of humor and his loyalty as a friend. Some kids back then picked on Richard because of his weight and once I defended my friend Richard by stomping another kid for picking on him. After that, I don’t remember any issues with him being picked on. I lost touch with Richard after our families moved from NW Atlanta but reconnected with him on Facebook a couple of years ago. I am so saddened of his passing as I thought he was doing well. I happened to see he had passed looking at obits on McKoon’s website because my cousin had passed on the 19th. I send my prayers and condolences to his family and loved ones in the hope that God will comfort you through this time of loss. RIP Richard. I loved you and will miss you.

Dave Callaway - December 21, 2018 at 06:33 PM

HM

“ Heath Michaels lit a candle in memory of Richard Marion Doss



Heath Michaels - December 08, 2018 at 10:13 AM

AR

“ Richard Doss was one of the neatest friends I ever had. We were friends on Facebook for years and also friends through Photo clubs and NCAA. Love to text him if I had a problem with art and he would text when he had problems with website for NCAA. He was sweet, kind and patient. RIP dear friend. You will be missed. Prayer to the family.



Anita Reid - December 06, 2018 at 05:33 PM



“ I was so saddened to read that my fun, funny Facebook friend is gone. I met Richard through the local art club but probably got to know him best through Facebook. He would send me funny things, interesting things, aviation and art things for my artist husband. I knew anything sent by Richard would make me smile or, more likely, laugh.

Richard seemed to particularly enjoy teasing me about how many--make that how FEW--days were left before Christmas. I was a running gag between us. Sometimes, he'd kick it off around Halloween, just for fun! I fully expected him to do that this year, and he did a bit, but I know I will most definitely, sincerely miss him and miss that moment of humor I knew I would always have from Richard.

Condolences and prayers to Richard's family. I know he will be deeply missed. God bless you.

~ Robin Stewart

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**Robin Stewart** - December 05, 2018 at 07:56 PM



“ I don't think I have ever known anyone as nice as Richard. I am sure gonna miss him. Richard you are pain free now. I smile when I think of you being gone because you are in heaven. You can paint, draw, walk without pain and that has to be wonderful. You have a lot of friends going to miss you.

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**Lynn Lass** - December 05, 2018 at 04:16 PM



“ Peace be with you, Eloise, and Elaine. Our deepest sympathy as you mourn Richard's passing. Love and prayers to all of you. Pat & Jerry Traylor

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**Pat Traylor** - December 05, 2018 at 02:15 PM

CD

“ *Carlaowen Dias lit a candle in memory of Richard Marion Doss*



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**Carlaowen Dias** - December 05, 2018 at 11:37 AM

LW

“ *Linda Sulteen Wanzer lit a candle in memory of Richard Marion Doss*



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**Linda Sulteen Wanzer** - December 05, 2018 at 10:52 AM

LW

“ *What a great loss to so many left behind. However, what a wonderful soul Heaven has gained.  
I feel like God will have Richard help with His lovely sunrises, sunsets and all the beauty in nature.  
As I have said before, when I think of Richard in the future, I will smile.  
Enjoy being whole, my friend. I look forward to seeing you on the other side one day.  
Your friebd, Linda Sulteen*

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**Linda Sulteen Wanzer** - December 05, 2018 at 10:49 AM

KE

“ *Richard and I adopted each other years ago as brother and sister. I am older, and I called him Bubby and he called me Sis, Sister, or Sissy, whichever one he felt like saying. He was one of the most brilliant, humorous and talented people I've ever had the pleasure to know, love and admire. I cannot imagine how sad it is for his family and the love of his life, Pat, but I do know that we other's in his life are so sad and miss him already. He had bad health, but his mind and spirit were two precious things we all loved about him. He loved freely and completely and so many of us have laughed more and prayed more since knowing him. He is and will always be my one and only little brother and I'll be happy to see him in heaven one day. To his Mother, Sister Elaine, and Fiance', Pat; He is watching us all mourn him and he is now pain free, very mobile and knows you and we all love him. Love never ends. It is eternal just like our souls and he is feeling it all right now. If I can do anything for you, please know, I'll do my best to do it.*



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**Kate Tatum Eldredge** - December 05, 2018 at 10:20 AM



“ *Richard, where does someone start when it's time to say goodbye? I want to thank you for your friendship and prying me out of the shell I retreat too. Would like to thank you for the books you gave me, as we both discovered we had a lot more in common than we ever thought. The hundreds of VHS tapes, that no one could understand why I wanted them, they were yours and that was reason enough. I appreciate the late night talks we had, the uncanny ability to write the same message to each other at the same time. Then our messaging the Twilight Zone theme. I'm gonna miss you in ways I can't explain, you gave me a reason to give a damn, when I thought there were none. So, I guess until we meet again, be that Angel on my shoulder that keeps the devil on the other one in check. Thanks for listening.*

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**Butch Holbrook** - December 05, 2018 at 04:27 AM



“ *Butch Holbrook lit a candle in memory of Richard Marion Doss*



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**Butch Holbrook** - December 05, 2018 at 04:17 AM

PL

“ Thank you Richard for loving me the way you did. You always made me feel important, always put me first. You were the smartest, kindest, sweetest, most caring, lovingest Man I’ve ever met. You put me up on a pedestal. You mad me feel special.. this has been hard, first Mama and 4 months later you.. My heart is crushed, we had so many plans. I need you Baby Love, but God needed you more.. I bet you have already painted the most Beautiful Mural in Heaven. I know God is pleased. I miss your sweet messages that I would wake up to every morning cause you couldn’t sleep. They started my day off right... just know I love you and we will be together again and this time it will be forever..Loving you Always, Your Sweetness 💔💔



Pat Lipham - December 04, 2018 at 10:41 PM

BH

Gonna miss your early morning messages and the crazy way we said the same thing at the same time. Gonna miss the Twilight Zone theme when we did. Gonna miss a lots of stuff, but I'm gonna miss you more than all the other stuff put together. You made me feel better about myself and that my friend is something that I can't thank you enough for. Gonna miss coming over and picking up tubs full of treasures you no longer wanted. Most of all, thanks for the 2 Hot Wheels and the Bulldawg belt buckle. Thanks for being a friend.

Butch Hobbrook - December 05, 2018 at 04:04 AM



“ Karen Hubbard lit a candle in memory of Richard Marion Doss



Karen Hubbard - December 04, 2018 at 11:40 AM