



## Richard John Krider

October 17, 1949 - October 30, 2025

Mr. Richard "Dik" John Patrick Krider, 76, of Newnan, GA formerly of Lawrenceburg/Greendale, IN, passed away peacefully Thursday, October 30, 2025 at Piedmont Fayette Hospital, surrounded by his loved ones. He was born October 17, 1949 in Cincinnati, OH to the late William Marcus Krider and Georgiana "Georgia" Irene Cole Krider. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by brother, James Cole "Jimmy" Krider, sisters Sara Jane "Janie" Krider DeYoung, and Marijo Gerard Krider.

Dik grew up in Lawrenceburg/Greendale, IN, the 5th of 11 children. His fondest childhood memories included trouble-making with siblings, questioning everything, and riding bikes around his much-loved small, midwestern town - delivering papers for the local press. He was a 1967 graduate of St. Xavier High School and briefly attended Indiana State University. In 1971 he married Rita Potocny in Chicago Heights, IL. After college, he began a career in theatrical arts in Brooklyn, NY; working with the Negro Ensemble Company where he contributed to lighting, set design, and costuming. Later in his stage career, he served on the technical team at DuArt Film Company. While in Brooklyn, NY he also welcomed his first child, Laura Victoria "Tori" in 1979. He then moved to Chicago, IL where he welcomed his second child, Mary Christina in 1983. In Chicago he worked for various computer companies providing Information Technology services. In 1985 he moved to Merrimack, NH to pursue a career with Wang Industries. In 1988 he

divorced his first wife, Rita. In 1989 he welcomed his third daughter, Bonnie Jean and in 1991 he welcomed the grand finale daughter, Jaclyn Elizabeth. After a brief stay in Cary, NC, Dik, Jeanne, Bonnie and Jaclyn moved to Marietta, GA in 1998 where he worked as a well-loved school bus driver for Cobb County School District. In 2009, after 20 years of living with his love, Jeanne, they made it "official" in Las Vegas, NV. Throughout his life he attended 60 annual runnings of the Indianapolis 500 with his family. He enjoyed poker and golfing, was passionate about politics, an avid reader and lover of all the arts. He instilled these traits in his conversations with his beautiful and intelligent daughters - each of whom became passionate educators. He was an incredible chef, and anyone who was lucky enough to sample his signature steak and bearnaise sauce can attest to this gift. His love, laughter and opinions will be sorely missed by all those who knew him.

A memorial service will be held Monday, November 3, 2025 at 2:00 o'clock at McKoon Funeral Home, 38 Jackson St., Newnan, GA 30263 with Rev. Joan Kinrade and Rev. Andrew Chappell officiating. Visitation will precede the memorial at 1:00 o'clock.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorial contributions be made to any of the following organizations: • Meals on Wheels Coweta County <https://mealsonwheelscoweta.org/> • American Civil Liberties Union <https://action.aclu.org/give/now> • Suicide Prevention Hotline <https://988lifeline.org/>

Condolences can be expressed online at [www.mckoon.com/obituaries](http://www.mckoon.com/obituaries).

Survivors include wife Mary Jean "Jeanne" Peoples of Newnan, GA; daughters, Laura Victoria "Tori" Potocny-Krider and husband Julio Guerra of Georgetown, TX, Mary Christina Potocny-Krider and wife Marina Olvera of Aveiro, Portugal, Bonnie Jean Peoples Krider and fiancée Zach Chahal of Newnan, GA, and Jaclyn Elizabeth Peoples Krider and boyfriend William Hubber of Kennesaw, GA.; granddaughters Sophia Catalina Krider Guerra

and Addison Ivy Krider Guerra; sister Rosemary Schmid and (Josef, deceased), sister Katherine "Kate" Satchwill (Bill, deceased), sister Elizabeth "Betsy" Traub (Jerry), brother William "Bill" Krider (Pat), sister Margaret Powell (Jack), brother Robert "Bob" Krider (Marilyn), and brother Kris Krider (Michelle); Rita Potocny Krider, along with 24 nieces and nephews.

McKoon Funeral Home & Crematory (770) 253-4580

# Cemetery Details

## McKoon Funeral Home & Crematory

38 Jackson Street  
Newnan, GA 30263  
care@mckoon.com  
<http://www.mckoon.com>

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV 3. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

McKoon Funeral Home Chapel  
38 Jackson Street  
Newnan, GA 30263

## Funeral Service

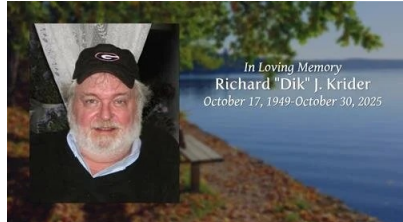
NOV 3. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

McKoon Funeral Home Chapel  
38 Jackson Street  
Newnan, GA 30263

# Tribute Wall



“ *McKoon Funeral Home & Crematory created a Tribute Video in memory of Richard John Krider*

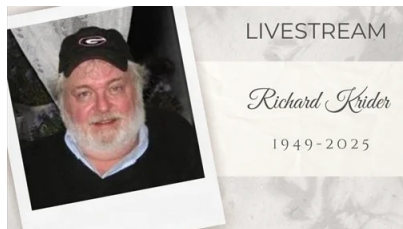


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**McKoon Funeral Home & Crematory** - November 03, 2025 at 10:59 AM



“ *McKoon Funeral Home & Crematory created a Webcast in memory of Richard John Krider*



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**McKoon Funeral Home & Crematory** - November 03, 2025 at 10:57 AM

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“ Handsome, Smart, Honest and so multi-Talented, that is the Dik Krider I remember, the Krider who came to us-- his O'Keefe relatives in New York City-- and made our wing of the Krider-O'Keefe family even better than it was having him amongst us in Brooklyn and Manhattan.

*Dik's passing is a loss for all of us in this larger family created by Aunt Georgia (to me) and our Mother Mary, 2 sisters who were very different but whose sterling characters and morality of the Great Midwest were passed down to all of us.*

*It is fitting that in Dik's obit picture he has a "G" on his hat as for all of us at a time like this Georgia is on our mind.*

*Finally, Dik's Girls-- all of them, including Jeanne and Rita of course--are such an interesting and vibrant brood and in seeing them at Bill and Pat Krider's porch on Ridge Avenue on Memorial Day Weekend, or in Section 25 at Turn 4 at Indy, we will remember Dik himself.*

*Tom O'Keefe*

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**Tom O'Keefe** - November 07, 2025 at 07:31 AM

KS

“ Richard John Patrick Krider’s four daughters and two granddaughters made this a magnificent expression of Dik and Jean’s unconditional love for them and all of our families and friends. We who were able to be there will never forget the spoken messages, prayer and music. Thank you also to the McKoon Funeral Home and Crematory’s thoughtful staff. Your support to our families, friends, extended families, is sincerely appreciated. The photo video and live stream productions are so integral to what made this gathering extend to Dik’s friends and family literally around the world.

Kate Satchwill - November 04, 2025 at 04:35 PM

JS

“ Sonya and I will miss him. It was nice to see the video Sara Krider made years ago. We had forgotten how kind his voice sounded. So sorry for your loss and all our love to the family.

jim Schmid - November 03, 2025 at 07:13 PM

JE

“ Bonnie,  
Thinking of you during this difficult time.  
With Love,  
Jeri Hudgens

Jeri - November 03, 2025 at 09:00 AM

JH

“ Bonnie, I am so sorry for your loss!!  
Julia Huster



julia huster - November 03, 2025 at 08:07 AM

BE

“ *A Brother like no other! Only the good memories are within my heart. There is no great love like the love from a brother.*”

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**betsy** - November 03, 2025 at 01:55 AM