



## Richard Allen Upton

October 8, 1959 - January 28, 2025

Richard Allen Upton, 65, of Springfield passed away Tuesday, January 28, 2025, in Urbana. He was born Thursday, October 8, 1959, in Springfield to the late Richard and Barbara Borton Upton. Richard retired from Wright State University, and enjoyed running his Karate Dojo, American Pangainoon Academy. The Dojo meant the world to him. He was an Air Force National Guard Veteran and loved hunting and fishing. Richard is survived by his wife, Kim Upton, whom he married in 1982, two daughters; Elizabeth and Jeremy Payne of Troy and Sarah Upton of Dayton, three siblings; Ron Upton, Rob Upton, and Becky Defibaugh, a grandson, Sebastian, and numerous friends whom were all considered family as well. A funeral service will be conducted 11:00 AM Monday, February 3, 2025 in Adkins Funeral Home, with pastor, Ed Sollenberger. Burial will follow the service in Glen Haven Memorial Gardens, New Carlisle. A visitation will be held 9:00 to 11:00 prior to the service in the funeral home. [www.adkinsfunerals.com](http://www.adkinsfunerals.com)

# Cemetery Details

## Glen Haven Memorial Gardens

8200 W National Road  
New Carlisle, OH 45344

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 3. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Adkins Funeral Home  
7055 Dayton Road  
Enon, OH 45323  
(937) 864-2288

## Funeral Service

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# Tribute Wall

AB

“*Hanshi was a true luminary. His commitment to excellence & ability to inspire others was unparalleled. He genuinely cared for his students' personal & professional development. His passing is a great loss not only to his students but to the entire martial arts community. We will strive to carry forward his teachings and make him proud.*” - APA Masters & Blackbelts

APA Masters and Blackbelts - February 05, 2025 at 07:00 AM

CE

“*i can remember the last thing we did together was the night before he passed at karate and we were doing kata together. I always loved doing things in the dojo with this man. Rest easy hanshi. It's not a goodbye forever, instead it's just a see you later.*”

Charlie Estridge - February 03, 2025 at 10:22 PM



“*Truly Beloved Bouquet was purchased for the family of Richard Allen Upton.*”



February 03, 2025 at 03:32 PM



“*A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Richard Allen Upton.*”

February 03, 2025 at 03:32 PM

JF

“ So sorry that my family and I could make the service. Rich was a good man and he made a pretty big impact on my son and grandson.

*Rest in Peace. You will be missed.*

*The Freeland*

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**James Freeland** - February 03, 2025 at 11:16 AM

JA

“ JOEL and ANDREA purchased the Garden Accent Stone - “It Broke My Heart to Lose You” for the family of Richard Allen Upton.



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**JOEL and ANDREA** - February 03, 2025 at 07:08 AM

JA

“ JOEL and ANDREA planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Richard Allen Upton.

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**JOEL and ANDREA** - February 03, 2025 at 07:08 AM



“ A grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Richard Allen Upton.

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February 03, 2025 at 05:14 AM

DB

“ Daniel B. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Richard Allen Upton.

Daniel B. - February 02, 2025 at 01:15 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Richard Allen Upton.



February 02, 2025 at 11:55 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Richard Allen Upton.

February 02, 2025 at 11:55 AM

TD

“ Tamara D. planted a grove of 5 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Richard Allen Upton.

Tamara D. - February 02, 2025 at 10:49 AM

LM

“ Larry & Katie Mutschler purchased the Basket Full of Wishes for the family of Richard Allen Upton.



Larry & Katie Mutschler - February 01, 2025 at 08:19 PM

LM

“ Larry & Katie Mutschler planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Richard Allen Upton.

Larry & Katie Mutschler - February 01, 2025 at 08:19 PM

EB

“ Kim so sorry to hear of Richards passing prayers for comfort for your family

Eric Boone Barnes - February 01, 2025 at 06:30 PM

SH

“ Sarah H. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Richard Allen Upton.

Sarah H. - February 01, 2025 at 05:04 PM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Richard Allen Upton.



February 01, 2025 at 07:58 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Richard Allen Upton.

February 01, 2025 at 07:58 AM

BJ

“ Ben & Samantha, Benzil & Vivian Jenkins purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Richard Allen Upton.



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**Ben & Samantha, Benzil & Vivian Jenkins** - January 31, 2025  
at 04:19 PM

BJ

“ Ben & Samantha, Benzil & Vivian Jenkins planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Richard Allen Upton.

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**Ben & Samantha, Benzil & Vivian Jenkins** - January 31, 2025 at 04:19 PM

LT

“ Leon T. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Richard Allen Upton.

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**Leon T.** - January 31, 2025 at 03:32 PM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Richard Allen Upton.



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January 31, 2025 at 11:30 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Richard Allen Upton.

January 31, 2025 at 11:30 AM



“ Our deepest sympathy and prayers to Kim and family. Years ago we enjoyed the times he came to Iowa to hunt bringing his dogs that our granddaughter loved. The last time we saw Rich and Kim they were passing through Iowa and stopped to see us. How time goes to fast. He may be gone but our memories will live on.

*Leon and Linda Curran, Oxford Iowa*

**Leon & Linda Curran** - January 31, 2025 at 10:05 AM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Richard Allen Upton.



January 30, 2025 at 05:12 PM



“ Our sincerest condolences to Kim and the rest of the Upton family. May fond memories of Richard bring you peace. Please know, we are always here for you. - The Lower Family

**Marlena Lower** - January 30, 2025 at 03:52 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Richard Allen Upton.

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January 30, 2025 at 03:43 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Richard Allen Upton.

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January 30, 2025 at 10:07 AM