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## City of Temecula Wall of Honor Nomination

**Nominee:**

**Jack and Linda Williams**

**Date: Dec. 27, 2018**

**Nominee's Address:**

**Nominee's Phone  
Number:**

**Statement in support of the nominee (one hundred words or less):**

Jack and Linda Williams are the founders of Richie's Real American Diner located in Temecula (and Murrieta). Jack passed away in 2018. Mr. and Mrs. Williams, known as one of Temecula's most kind-hearted business owners and residents (since 1980s), opened their Richie's Diner restaurant in Temecula in 1991 on Jefferson Avenue, and then relocated it to Temecula Parkway where it remains a City landmark for its "pleasin' people good country cookin'" philosophy and small-town atmosphere. As the City grew, Jack and Linda have ensured all patrons experience a part of Temecula's family-friendly hometown feel. Temecula and Murrieta City Councils recognized Mr. and Mrs. Williams for their 2014 Silver Plate Award (the restaurant industry's equivalent of the Academy Awards) but, even more importantly, they are representative of so much more than great food. They have exemplified hard work, integrity, love and devotion to their employees, customers and the entire community that lives or visits Temecula's hometown restaurant. They have sought to serve others, and to make all feel welcome in Temecula with genuine hospitality and generosity. They give back by supporting those in need, hosting fundraising events with non-profits, and are well-known for their vigorous support for all branches of military and veterans, as well as first responders, and law enforcement. Jack also served his country as a Marine. His selfless legacy of "community" carries on in Temecula through his wife Linda and their family, and throughout their restaurants, businesses, and employees.

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