



Richard "Rick" Josie

January 17, 1949 - January 13, 2024

Myrtle Beach.....

In a sudden turn of events, Richard "Rick" Josie, aged 74, peacefully departed on January 13, 2024, at MUSC, with his devoted wife by his side. Born on January 17, 1949, in Cleveland, Ohio, to the late John and Lillian Josie, Rick is now reunited in eternal rest with his parents and brother, Jack Josie.

Capturing the essence of a life that left an indelible mark on the world is a challenge in just a few words. Rick, a devoted husband, father, step-father, and grandfather, made a profound impact. Serving with pride in the US Navy during the Vietnam War, he embodied love and gentleness, never a stranger to anyone. Universally adored, Rick's magnetic personality shone through. His passions included literature, weightlifting, woodworking, and savoring the tunes of The Rolling Stones, all while crafting exquisite birdhouses.

Rick is survived by his cherished wife and confidante of 30 years, Kathy. Their enduring connection began at the tender age of 8, and their bond has withstood the test of 67 years. Left to carry forward his legacy are his sons Matthew Josie of Bay Village, Ohio, and Justin Josie, also of Bay Village, Ohio. Additionally, he is survived by stepsons Tom Hunsdorf (Katie) of Hastings, FLA; Joey Gaspar (Bambie) of Plainfield, IN; and Danny Gaspar (Chrissy) of Wellington, Ohio. Rick's influence extends to his beloved

grandchildren: Sophia Josie, Madeline Josie, Cody Ambrose, Hannah Hunsdorf, Hailey Hunsdorf, Hayden Hunsdorf, Makayla Firem, Willow Gaspar, and Shyanne Gaspar. Beyond his family, Rick leaves behind a multitude of friends. His memory will linger warmly in the hearts of all who had the privilege of knowing and missing him.

A commemorative service to honor Rick's life will be conducted at a later date in South Carolina. Subsequently, a ceremony adorned with military honors is scheduled for July at the Ohio Western Reserve National Cemetery in Rittman, Ohio.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions in Rick's name may be directed to the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society at: <https://givenow.lls.org>

Blue Star Mothers of Coastal Carolina at: <https://bluestarmothersofcoastalcarolina.com>

The Goldfinch Funeral Home Beach Chapel is graciously supporting the family during this time.

Tribute Wall

JB

“ I am an old U.S. Navy buddy of Ricks. We met in 1971 while attending a 14 week Teletype Repair School in the Norfolk, VA area. We both were interested in lifting weights and that was the premise on which our 53 year friendship began. We would work out on our lunch break at a gym located nearby on the base. A lot of adjustments on a teletype were a thousandth of an inch or so and our muscles were twitching so bad we had a hard time making the adjustments. It was laughable.

I received a phone call from Rick several months ago and he was excited to inform me that he and wife, Kathy, were going on vacation and it included them coming to Miami, FL to visit with my wife and I. I can't tell you how thrilled I was. Sadly, that would never happen. To me, Rick, was as close a friend as you could have. I have very fond memories of him.

Please pray a prayer of consoling comfort for Rick's wife Kathy and family.

James Buonassi - January 30, 2024 at 11:46 AM

KJ

“ Rick was the love of my life. He was my everything and I was blessed to have as my husband for the last 30 years.

Kathy Josie - January 21, 2024 at 09:17 PM



“ Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Richard "Rick" Josie.



January 20, 2024 at 06:49 AM

RL

“ Rick is my business partner, I hate writing "was" he will always be my partner. Rick, a man with the integrity any partner would ask for. He cared for all of our clients and knew most by name. He kept me grounded and we will miss him immensely.
It said that your lucky if you get a few good friends in life, Rick fell into that group in my life. No one could ask for a better friend that a called brother.
I miss you brother Rick, Rest in peace! Reggie

Reggie LaPiere - January 19, 2024 at 08:45 AM

EK

“ Rick and I are cousins, we grew up miles apart, he in Ohio and me in Florida. We did not see each other often but when we did it was like we were always together. He was a wonderful caring cousin. We shared a love of muscle cars, and music. Rick was a devoted son who adored his mother and treated her with great respect until her death. Kathy is the love of his life, to know Rick is to know a gentleman in all aspects of life. Until we meet again, thank you for being my friend!

Ed Kasper - January 18, 2024 at 08:12 PM

DH

“ Rick was a man of high integrity. I considered him my partner during our time with BFI. He was my friend and I enjoyed our phone conversations over the years. He loved his wife and was proud of his family. He will be missed.

Douglas Hay - January 18, 2024 at 07:38 PM