



Richard D. Ruggieri Jr.

May 17, 2019

Richard "Rick" D. Ruggieri, Jr., 48, of Foster, passed away peacefully at home surrounded by his loving family on May 17, 2019. He was the beloved husband of Lynn, M. (Geary) Ruggieri for 20 years. He also leaves their five children; Brittany, Olivia, Arianna, Domenic and Ava. Born in Warwick, he was the beloved son of Evelyn (Knight) Ruggieri of Canton, GA. and the late Richard D. Ruggieri. He is also survived by his sister Michelle Bashaw and her husband John of Canton, GA and uncle to Allison and Matthew Bashaw. He also leaves aunts, uncles, cousins and friends. Rick enjoyed boating, cooking, vacations, riding 4 wheelers and throwing big parties. Most of all he loved spending time with his family and friends. He was the proud owner and operator of The Right Connection for many years. He was an Alpha Cum Laude graduate of Johnson and Wales University. He always had a great sense of humor right to the end. "La Bella Vita" , "Living the Dream". Funeral Thursday May 23rd at 8:00 a.m. from the Winfield & Sons Funeral Home, 571 West Greenville Road, Scituate followed by a Mass of Christian Burial at St. Matthews Church, corners of Elmwood Ave. and Park Ave., Cranston at 10:00 a.m. Burial is private. Calling hours Wednesday 5-8:00 p.m.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 22. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Winfield & Sons Funeral Home and Crematory
571 West Greenville Road (Route 116)
Scituate, RI 02857
(401) 647-5421

Funeral

MAY 23. 8:00 AM (ET)

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Mass of Christian Burial

MAY 23. 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Matthews Church
1299 Elmwood Ave
Cranston, RI 02910

Tribute Wall

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“ *My sincere condolences for this great loss in your family. We are just learning that Rick passed and we are so sorry!! I had the pleasure of meeting Rick while working for John Simonian over the last ten years. Rick's "attention grabbing radio voice" greeted our clients after and before business hours for a very long time as he recorded our away message on our telephone answering system. I was happy to know Rick; he was kind, caring and sincere; a pleasure to know!! Again my sincere condolences to this family!*

*Lisa Altieri
Office Manager
Simonian Law Offices*

Lisa Altieri/Simonian Law Offices - June 16, 2020 at 06:06 PM

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“ *It was strange that I ran into Ricky at Foster Old Home days a little while back after not seeing him in about 30 years. It was a pleasure!! So very sorry for your loss*

Scott Smith

Scott Smith - January 15, 2020 at 10:38 AM

BR

“ *Lately I have been thinking about a lot of memories with my dad but one that always sticks out to me is going on the boat spending time with my family. He always made sure we had the best life. I miss you so much. Mom and I love you soo much!!*

*Love,
Brittany Rose*

Brittany - October 09, 2019 at 06:53 PM

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“ 1 file added to the album Rick's Memorial



Lynn Ruggieri - May 27, 2019 at 07:52 AM

MA

“ Morgan Alger purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Richard D. Ruggieri Jr..



Morgan Alger - May 22, 2019 at 11:18 AM



“ Sentimental Dreams was purchased for the family of Richard D. Ruggieri Jr..



May 22, 2019 at 10:11 AM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Richard D. Ruggieri Jr..



May 21, 2019 at 10:04 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Richard D. Ruggieri Jr..*



May 20, 2019 at 08:59 PM



“ *Wow... Thank you Lynn for the beautiful obituary. As one of your younger cousins, I didnt get to ride the 4 wheelers with you and the older boys. I always wanted to. Instead I would play bartender and make lots of Shirley Temples and wait for you to come back inside. You were always the life of the party! You will be sorely missed. I love you Ricky. Rest in Peace now and give a big hug and to Grandpa and Grandma, your dad, and Uncle Ray from us all. SALUTE!*

Jennifer Wisneski - May 20, 2019 at 06:40 PM



Uncle Ron remembers " Little Ricky " -named after his beloved father Rick Ruggieri-as a heart winning little boy, the first grandson of my mother and father , Domenic and Janet Ruggieri.

We are all heartbroken - YOUR precious family- over the tragic loss from a mysterious form of cancer- of our surviving " Ricky " Ricky was devastated by the death of his father ,my Big Brother Rick , just five years ago. He memorialized his idolized father in a family video (on You Tube, I think) .

In the last week of his life Rick Ruggieri showed tremendous courage and class by showing up at the Ruggieri Family Re-Union in Cranston. He needed a wheel chair as he had difficulty breathing.

Ricky possessed his grandfather Domenic Ruggieri 's zest for life and ETERNAL OPTIMISM. rooted in Italian family culture.

His and Lynn's Foster home was always welcoming to the Ruggieri clan and to Lynn's wonderful family.

Although Life can seem so cruel and the ways of God so mysterious Rick Ruggieri Jr. LOVED Life

We say good bye to him with our mourning hearts filled with so well deserved affection and GRATITUDE for his kind soul and beautiful -but too short-life.

We promise to BE THERE for Lynn and his five beautiful children. Rest in Peace , beloved nephew.

Ron Ruggieri - May 20, 2019 at 07:11 PM



Beautiful and all true...❤️

Michelle Bashaw - May 20, 2019 at 09:46 PM



Thank You Ronnie for the beautiful tribute to our beloved Nephew. We are here for Lynn and children."Go rest high on that mountain" a beautiful song from Vince Gill! RIP Rick we love you.

Rita Covill - May 21, 2019 at 05:43 AM

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Lynn, Michelle and my beautiful family;

I am heartbroken over the death of my big cousin Ricky. My faith in God reassures me he is, indeed in Heaven with his Dad (his hero, and ours too!) Grandma and Grandpa and all those we deeply miss.

There's no more Cancer, no more pain for him. It's us that are left with cracks of hurt and pain, that over the years , slowly heal but are left as scars to remind us of the love that was given.

His bravery and determination was inspiring. The fact that he was there, in a wheelchair at our family reunion, one week before his passing away, speaks volumes of the kind of "will" he had to live! I couldn't believe it!

The love Ricky gave to his family and everyone who knew him will live on.

Jesus said: "My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you."

For at the end of life, isn't it the love that really matters? The love we give to our family is something that can never be taken away, but will live forever.

Rest in peace cousin.

Elizabeth Fernandes - May 21, 2019 at 09:40 AM

MM

*Lynn, Brittany, Olivia, Arianna, Dominic and Ava,
I am so sorry for your loss. I only met Rick a couple of times when Elena and Ava would get together and just from that I could tell he is a Special Person. May you hold the memories of him close to your heart and May you find peace in the days ahead. My deepest Sympathy to all.*

Rest in Peace Rick for there is no more pain.

Maria Muldowney

Maria Muldowney - May 21, 2019 at 12:03 PM



*I stumbled across your picture today
I could barely breath
The moment stopped me cold,
Grabbed me like a thief.
I dialed your number, but you wouldn't be there
I knew the whole time, but it's still not fair
I just wanted to hear your voice,
I just needed to hear your voice.
What do I do with all I need to say
So much I wanna tell you everday
Oh it breaks my heart,
I cry these tears in the dark
I write these letters to you,
But they get lost in the blue,
'Cause there's no address in the stars.
Now I'm drivin'
Through the pitch black dark
I'm screaming at the sky
Oh cause it hurts so bad
Everybody tells me
Oh all I need is time
Then the mornin' rolls in
And it hits me again
And that aint nothin' but a lie.
What do I do with all I need to say
So much I wanna tell you everday
Oh it breaks my heart,
I cry these tears in the dark
I write these letters to you,
But they get lost in the blue,
'Cause there's no address in the stars.
Without you here with me,
I don't know what to do.
I'd give anything
Just to talk to you
Oh it breaks my heart,
Oh it breaks my heart,
All I can do
Is write these letters to you,
But there's no address in the stars.
Songwriters: LINDSEY HILLARY LEE / LINDSEY CHRISTOPHER M /
MAYO AIMEE / FISHER CAITLIN LYNN
Address In The Stars lyrics © BMG Gold Songs, Moonscar Music,
Little Blue Typewriter Music*

Michelle Bashaw - May 26, 2019 at 08:58 AM