



## Steven Joseph Richard

June 26, 2025

Steven “Steve” Joseph Richard, age 55, passed away peacefully on Thursday, June 26, 2025 at HopeHealth Hultar Hospice Center surrounded by his loving family.

Born on September 23, 1969 in Providence, RI. He is survived by his parents, Russell and Lois (Brennan) Richard, he is greatly missed by his loving wife, Nakita; son, Christian; sister and brother-in-law, Susan “Susie” and Anthony Cucca. His memory lives on with his nephews, Anthony and Michael; mother-in-law Cyndi, father-in-law, Charles, sister-in-law, Nicole and brother-in-law Joseph along with other family members including aunts, uncles, cousins, and nieces.

Steve was a member of Our Lady of Grace Church and was devoted to his faith. Steve enjoyed spending time with his family, music, sports, especially the New England Patriots and the Boston Bruins, Steven enjoyed traveling and experiencing new things. Steve loved animals especially cats, and was a loving cat dad to first Spooky and then to Samantha Baker.

Steve graduated from Cranston West High School in 1989. He was never scared to take on new opportunities and did everything with honesty and integrity. He enjoyed working as a Surgical Technician, first at Massachusetts General Hospital then at Fatima Hospital and Rhode Island Hospital. He

valued his experience as a massage therapist and focused on lymphatic massage which highlighted his desire and commitment to helping others.

Steve was a gentle man with a sly sense of humor. He was inviting and easy-going. He was well liked by everyone, mostly due to his positive energy. Steve will be remembered as very forgiving and patient person who showed compassion and always made time to help others.

His legacy will carry on forever reminding us that ongoing patience and continued forgiveness are the characteristics of a good and kind soul.

Steve found solace and community at Our Lady of Grace Church. Visitation will be held on Wednesday July 2nd from 8:00 - 9:15 a.m. in the Winfield & Sons Funeral Home and Crematory, 571 West Greenville Road, Scituate followed by a Mass of Christian Burial at 10:00 a.m. at Our Lady of Grace Church, George Waterman Road, Johnston. Burial will be in St. Ann Cemetery, Cranston.

Thank you for your thoughts and prayers for Steven and his family.

# Cemetery Details

## St. Ann Cemetery

73 Church Street  
Cranston, RI 02920

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL 2. 8:00 AM - 9:15 AM (ET)

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

## Mass of Christian Burial

JUL 2. 10:00 AM (ET)

Our Lady of Grace Church  
4 Lafayette Street  
Johnston, RI 02919

# Tribute Wall

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“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



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**Nakita Thomas** - July 12, 2025 at 01:16 PM

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“ To Steven, I can't believe you are gone. It was way too soon. Hope you are at peace. Thank you for always being there for me, supporting and encouraging me to not give up. To Christian and Susan I am so sorry for your loss. To my sister Nakita, I have no words to express how sorry I am. You are a strong person. I will always remember Steven as a good and loving man.

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**Nicole Thomas** - July 04, 2025 at 03:21 AM

EV

“ My fondest memory of Steven was when as Best Man he made a toast at my daughter's wedding to Robert (his cousin). He fought a long battle but is no longer in pain. May he now rest in peace.

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**Evelyn Vetro** - July 02, 2025 at 10:47 AM

NT

“ Steve loved animals. On this day the chicken just sat on his lap and didn't move. Even the goats couldn't get it to move.



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**Nakita Thomas** - July 01, 2025 at 04:17 PM

CT

“ My heart is absolutely shattered. Christian and Susan, you have my deepest sympathies at the loss of your father and brother. For my daughter Nakita, there simply are no words. But you are a strong woman and i know you will make it thru this. Steven was a good and loving man and he will be so terribly missed. Gone too soon. Rest easy now Steven and know that you will be forever loved and missed.

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**Cyndi Thomas** - July 01, 2025 at 11:54 AM

PA

“ My most sincere condolences to Nakita and family. I got to know Steven and spend time with him. He was a kind man who gave so much and support to Nakita especially towards other social workers. May God rest his soul in eternal peace. Eternal rest grant him oh Lord, and let perpetual light shine on him. To Nakita and family, May God grant you peace and serenity that surpasses our understanding.

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**Pauline** - June 30, 2025 at 09:58 PM

RO

“ Such shock to learn that Steve has passed. Our deepest condolences and prayers are offered to Nakita and family. Steve was a kind person and my wife and myself enjoyed sharing old family stories over an occasional cold beer .  
Lord accept him into heaven and provide the family with comfort  
Robert and Diane Oszejca

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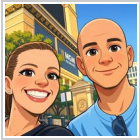
**robert oszejca** - June 30, 2025 at 04:37 PM

JL

“ Steven was a kind soul. We moved to Rhode Island years ago and had no where to stay. Steven and Nakita opened their home to us. For that we will always be grateful. We will miss your kind heart and knowledgeable mind.our thoughts are with you. We love you.  
Joe, Tiffany, Cheyenne and Mya

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**Joseph Lopez** - June 30, 2025 at 02:30 PM



“ Please accept my sincere condolences on the loss of Steven. He was a wonderful man and I will be praying for the repose of his soul all week and at the weekend masses next weekend. Deacon Greg Albanese

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**Greg Albanese** - June 30, 2025 at 01:50 PM

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“ Steve did thoughtful and sweet things. He surprised me once by taking me to visit baby goats and we had such a good time that we back frequently. He was a great husband and partner. I will greatly miss him.



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**Nakita Thomas** - June 30, 2025 at 12:35 PM

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“ My father had taken me fishing when I was 5-6 years old. After a few minutes without a fish biting, I had asked him if there was any fish in the water. Maybe a minute or 2 after that one bite, the picture he took with that is still one of my favorite pictures.

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**Christian Richard** - June 30, 2025 at 12:24 PM