



Rick J. Loose

June 10, 1948 - June 30, 2015

Rick J. Loose

Age 67, of Braidwood, IL, passed away Tuesday, June 30, 2015 at the Joliet Area Community Hospice Home in Joliet, IL. Born June 10, 1948 to the late Charles and Shirley (nee Weibble) Loose. Rick retired from Ron Tirapelli Ford in Joliet, following 39 ½ years of employment. He also was employed for U.S. Steel in Joliet and the Philip Carey Roofing Mill in Wilmington, IL. Member of the Loyal Order of the Moose Lodge #300 in Joliet. Rick excelled in swimming. He won many state swimming records between the years 1953-1966. He was a very active member of the FOP Bowling League and also very active with the Boy Scouts of America. Rick served on the Board of Directors for the Area #1 Minor's Club in Coal City.

Surviving are his wife, Nancy (nee Shaw) Zauratsky Loose of Braidwood; four sons, Charles (Pam) Loose of Plainfield, IL, Richard Loose of Belle Feusch, SD, Terry (fiancée, Becky Cross) Zauratsky of Braidwood and David Zauratsky of Braidwood; eight grandchildren; one brother, Rocky (Vicky) Loose of Kansas City, MO; and one sister, Geraldine Loose of Lockport, IL.

Preceding him in death were his father, Charles Loose; mother and step-father, Shirley and Bill Herbert; and sister, Randy Tota.

Cremation rites have been accorded.

Memorial visitation will be at the R.W. Patterson Funeral Homes, Ltd. & Crematory, Braidwood Chapel, Wednesday, July 8, 2015 from 3-8 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, memorial gifts in his name may be directed to JOHA Cancer Center in Joliet, IL.

For more information and to visit his online guestbook, please log on to www.rwpattersonfuneralhomes.com or find us on Facebook at R.W. Patterson Funeral Homes, Ltd. & Crematory.

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Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 8. 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ wow so sad to hear of Ricks passing. I first met Rick when we played football at JTHS before east and west were built. Rick was such a great athlete and student. As life moved on we lost contact I moved to Florida. But at the 40 year reunion it was such a pleasure to talk with Rick and catch up on old times. Have a lot of fond memories of Rick.

Marc Smith

Marc Smith - August 09, 2015 at 07:56 AM

HF

“ 6.10.48

As I paged through yearbooks in preparation for what I would say here tonight, I titled these remarks, 6.10.48. If you do not know what that date means now, it will become clear to you shortly.

My name is Horace Fox, a longtime friend of Rick's.

I met Rick Loose 62 years ago, in first grade at JM Thompson Grade School in Joliet. A friend and classmate, Patricia Alberty says we have known Rick longer than his children, Chuck, David, Richard and Terry.

I knew Rick as a single minded, determined student-athlete. By high-school, when he got to class, he had already spent 2 hours in the pool. He knew how to allocate his time and prioritize, even then.

We had both come from working class families that knew the value of hard work, education and preparation.

There was the impetuous, Rocky, his brother, who grew up after he became a Marine and married the lovely Vicky. And of course, the lovely Randy, who left us too soon also.

We lost contact with each other as we each married, raised children, got divorced and remarried.

High school reunions got us back together. During the early ones Rick was healthy and during the most recent ones, he was not.

I wondered what attracted us to each other and remembered that Rick took wayward children into his home, both family and non-family alike, just as my parents had. My parents must have had 100 foster children in their home, once my brother and I left for college. So much so that when we returned home we thought we must have been lacking as children--because there was always another new

kid or two in our rooms.

But my parents, like Rick saw a need and just filled it. That is one thing I liked about him--his selflessness.

Rick also reveled in the success of others. When I saw him at his surprise birthday party, he took particular interest in the daughter of friends, Liz, from Champagne. He praised her as she took control of her academic life and explained what decisions she had made about where she wanted to go to school and her interests.

In closing, when I saw Rick and Nancy last, Nancy told me, that although we know he does not like surprises, he said that surprise party was one of the nicest things she had done for him because, it told him how much she loved him. You see, she wanted us to see and remember him at his best.

*Thanks for the opportunity to celebrate Rick's life, a friendship that spanned 62 years
and a shared birthday, 6.10.48.*

Horace Fox

Horace Fox - July 09, 2015 at 12:24 PM

SV

“*Dear Nancy,
We were so sorry to hear about Rick's passing. Just remember all of the fun times you have had together. The camping at the beach was always fun even if we were up to our necks in water at times. Our hearts go out to you and your family.*

*sincerely,
Scotty and Sharon Vercelli*

Sharon Vercelli - July 09, 2015 at 08:51 AM

NL

“ Dearest uncel, I'll miss you so mush and i have only many happy memories of you. Love yeah.

Nina Loose - July 08, 2015 at 11:57 PM

CM

“ David & Terry..although I never met your Dad, having lost my own, I know how difficult this time can be. Please accept my heartfelt sympathy & prayers....no matter how long we get to have them here with us, we are never ready for them to go.... :(



Cathy Mills - July 08, 2015 at 09:48 PM

BG

“ I will miss his warm smile and gentle personality . What a great man:)
Love you lots Rick.
Becky



Becky Gomez - July 08, 2015 at 09:37 AM

TZ

“ To a Dad within a Dad. We will see each other again. Until then I will take care of your wife/my Mom and never forget the things, lessons, advice, and experiences you taught or shared with me. I will also never forget all the memories, about thirty years of them that I will share with others as time goes on. Till we meet again, I love you Pop's



Terry Zauratsky - July 08, 2015 at 09:03 AM

NL

“ I miss you so much, but you are at peace. I love you my darling.



Nancy Loose - July 08, 2015 at 08:56 AM

DM

“ I remember Rick as an excellent swimmer. We were on swim team together along with his brother Rocky. Both the Loose boys were great natural swimmers. Coach Kienlen loved having them on the team. From 2 Timothy 4:22, "...the time for my departure is at hand. I have competed well. I have finished the race. I have kept the faith. From now on the crown of righteousness awaits me, which the Lord, the just judge, will award to me on that day....."
Rest in peace Ricky.
Deacon Tom Mahoney, Green Bay, WI

Deacon Tom Mahoney - July 07, 2015 at 10:19 AM

TT

“ The CTU Team purchased the Serenity Wreath for the family of Rick J. Loose.



The CTU Team - July 06, 2015 at 10:27 AM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Rick J. Loose.



July 06, 2015 at 10:25 AM



“ Nancy and family, please know you are in our thoughts and prayers. Rick was a very sweet man and will be missed. We enjoyed having him in pulmonary rehab with us and getting to know both of you.
Linda and Kris

Linda Johnston - July 05, 2015 at 02:11 PM



“ We are sorry to hear of Rick's passing. Terry speaks so fondly of his childhood memories with Rick and his siblings. We are sorry to be so far away and unable to attend the service to honor him. Thinking of you and sending our love. Terry and Donna Loose

donna Loose - July 04, 2015 at 06:06 PM



“ Nancy and family,
So sorry for the loss of your precious loved one.
Lenora Hoffman Earley

Lenora Hoffman - July 03, 2015 at 10:39 AM

GE

“ Geri lit a candle in memory of Rick J. Loose



Geri - July 02, 2015 at 06:10 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Rick J. Loose.



July 02, 2015 at 04:38 PM

YR

“ Your friends at MAPEI- Tyler, Rich, Rick, Steve & Rob purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Rick J. Loose.



Your friends at MAPEI- Tyler, Rich, Rick, Steve & Rob - July 02, 2015 at 01:33 PM

DR

“ Daltile: Brad Capel and The Midwest Region purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Rick J. Loose.



Daltile: Brad Capel and The Midwest Region - July 02, 2015 at 12:00 PM

PL

“ Pam Loose lit a candle in memory of Rick J. Loose



Pam Loose - July 01, 2015 at 08:40 PM

ML

“ We love you and are going to miss you papa.
Love,
Mick & Smiley Miley



Micala Loose - July 01, 2015 at 08:39 PM

PS

“ Patti Schultz lit a candle in memory of Rick J. Loose



Patti Schultz - July 01, 2015 at 07:15 PM

PS

You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers.

Patti Schultz - July 01, 2015 at 07:17 PM

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“ You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers.

Patti Schultz - July 01, 2015 at 07:02 PM

PL

“ Pam Loose lit a candle in memory of Rick J. Loose



Pam Loose - July 01, 2015 at 06:56 PM

ML

“ We love you papa and we are going to miss you.
Love,
Mick and Smiley Miley



micala loose - July 01, 2015 at 06:51 PM



“ My prayers to you all.

Shannon Wade - July 01, 2015 at 05:12 PM

CL

“ Chuck Loose lit a candle in memory of Rick J. Loose



Chuck Loose - July 01, 2015 at 08:40 AM