



Richard Kenneth Smith Jr.

October 22, 1956 - January 15, 2024

Richard (Rick) K. Smith Jr. passed away on January 15, 2024, at Munson Hospital in Traverse City, Michigan. He was born on October 22, 1956, in Ypsilanti, Michigan to the late Richard and Carolyn (Fleenor) Smith.

Rick dedicated 27 years of his life to The Kalkaska County Road Commission, where he served as a Weigh Master, Sign Man, and Snowplow driver.

Following his retirement, he contributed six years to Kalkaska Public Transit (KAT). Additionally, he served as a Reserve Officer for The Kalkaska County Sheriff's Department.

Outside of work, Rick enjoyed riding his motorcycle, playing his guitars, and engaging in various projects around the house and property. He cherished moments with his family, loved listening to Old Country Music, and had a fondness for Walt's Shrimp at Red Lobster.

He is survived by his soul mate, Brenda G. Smith, and his daughter Chelsea R. Smith (Justin). Rick is also remembered by his siblings: Dennis (Jill) Smith, Sandy, and Retha (Eric) Smith Johnson, as well as several nieces and nephews.

Richard was preceded in death by his father, Richard K. Smith Sr.; his mother, Carolyn R. Fleenor Smith; and brother David Smith.

A memorial service and interment will take place in the Spring at Coldsprings Township Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorial donations to the PKD Foundation, P.O. Box 871847, Kansas City, MO 64187.

The family extends heartfelt thanks to the compassionate staff, doctors, nurses, and aides at Munson Hospital A4 and D5 floors.
May Rick's memory live on in the hearts of those who knew and loved him.
Arrangements have been entrusted to Kalkaska Funeral Home.

Cemetery Details

Coldsprings Township Cemetery

6515 County Road 571 NE
Mancelona, MI 49659

Events

Details are pending.

Tribute Wall

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“ *Judy lit a candle in memory of Richard Smith* ”



Judy - January 27, 2024 at 09:50 AM

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“ *Kathy lit a candle in memory of Richard Smith* ”



Kathy - January 25, 2024 at 09:26 AM