

**Crispin Todd Reece**, age 58, passed away on Friday, November 26, 2021 at his home in Alexandria, MN. Cris was born December 7, 1962 in Wadena, MN to Charles and Delories Reece.

He graduated from Wadena Senior High in 1981 and shortly thereafter joined the United States Coast Guard. His first duty station was the Coast Guard Cutter Munro which participated in salvage efforts when the Korean Airline Flight 007 was shot down by Russia. His other duty stations involved a Search and Rescue/Law enforcement unit in Milwaukee, WI, Patrol boat CGC Pt. Lobos out of Panama City, FL, an Aids to Navigation unit in Huron, OH, USCGC Bayberry homeported in Seattle, WA, an Aids to Navigation unit in Green Bay, WI and the USCGC Greenbrier homeported in Natchez, MS. Further assignments included Quality Control at Marinette Marine shipyard in Marinette, WI, for the building of new ships the Coast Guard ordered, and he finished his career with the USCGC Dallas homeported in Charleston, SC. During his tenure on the CGC Dallas he participated in the arrest and confiscation of 15 drug shipments that totaled just less than 1 billion dollars street value. The CGC Dallas also participated in Operation Iraqi Freedom in the Mediterranean Sea and rank at time of retirement was Senior Chief Petty Officer Machinery Technician. Several people owe their lives to this man. He had an Electromechanical Degree. Cris also drove Semi tractor/tandem-trailers and had a flawless safety record.

Cris enjoyed motorcycles, hunting, fishing, and diving. Of all that he has done he prided himself on his biggest achievement, which was his family. He also enjoyed handing out thousands in two-dollar bills to children especially twins.

Cris is survived by his ex-wife: Dena Reece; daughter: Bianca; and granddaughter: Remi. He is also survived by his three siblings: Craig (Tina), Darwin, and Lisa and his stepmother: Bernie Reece. Cris was preceded in death by his parents: Charles and Delories Reece.

## *In Loving Memory*



*Cris T. Reece*

*1937 - 2021*

### ***Crossing The Bar***

*Sunset and evening star,  
And one clear call from me!  
And may there be no moaning of the bar  
When I put out to sea.  
But such a tide as moving seems asleep,  
Too full for sound and foam,  
When that which drew from out the  
Boundless deep,  
Turns again home.  
Twilight and evening bell,  
And after that the dark!  
And may there be no sadness of farewell,  
When I embark;  
For tho' from out our bourne of Time and  
Place the flood may bear me far,  
I hope to see my Pilot face to face  
When I have crost the bar.*

*-Alfred Lord Tennyson*

*In Memory of*

### **Crispin Todd Reece**

December 7, 1962 † November 26, 2021

#### **Memorial Service**

Calvary Lutheran Church  
Alexandria, Minnesota  
Monday, December 6, 2021  
2:00 PM

#### **Officiant**

Reverend Angie Larson

#### **Organist**

Nolan Weisz

#### **Military Honors**

United States Coast Guard Honor Guard  
American Legion Post #87  
Veteran of Foreign Wars Post #936  
Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter #235  
Marine Corps League Detachment #1409

#### **Interment**

Minnesota State Veterans Cemetery  
Little Falls, Minnesota