

Richard Allen Poltiske, age 63 of Brandon, MN, passed away on February 7, 2020.

Rick was born September 21, 1956 at Our Lady of Mercy hospital in Alexandria, MN to Anton (Tony) and Marion (Schecher) Poltiske. Growing up, Rick spent a lot of time at his grandma and grandpa's resort, Schecher's Resort, just outside of Brandon. Whether it was working hard to get the cabins ready or having fun with the other kids, life-long memories were certainly made. Rick graduated from Brandon High School in 1974. After high school and before attending college, he worked construction. After graduating from Alexandria Vocational School with a mechanical draftsman degree in 1982, he began work at Onan Power Electronics in Eden Prairie. During employment at Onan, Rick returned to school and earned his degree as a Mechanical Engineer. In 1997, he moved back to Brandon and began work at Case-Tyler in Benson, MN. He also worked at Wasp, Inc in Glenwood for a short time.

Like his grandpa John, who was a carpenter, Rick liked to "fix things" and he was quite good at it. He was always more than willing to help his family with odd jobs when needed. He had a passion for motorcycles that started at an early age. One of his prized possessions was his Honda Gold Wing. He also loved classic cars, owning a few different ones throughout his lifetime.

Rick is survived by his sister Kathy (Howard) Jacobson of Evansville, MN; uncle Gene Schecher of California; nieces Ann (James) Lewis of Dalton, MN, Deanna (Jamie) Williams of Erdahl, MN, Susan (Mike) Woessner of Elbow Lake, MN; nephew Jamie Paulzine of Dalton, MN. Great-nieces and nephews include Gunnar Lewis, Desiree, Xavier and Josie Williams and Grace and Lindsey Woessner; "buddies" Paul Lehn, Irv Sletto and John Boedecker.

Rick is preceded in death by his parents, Tony and Marion Poltiske, grandparents, aunts and uncles, cousins, and friend Johnny Peterson.

In Loving Memory

Richard Allen Poltiske

September 21, 1956



February 7, 2020

Funeral Service

Anderson Funeral Home

Alexandria, Minnesota

Saturday, February 15, 2020

11 AM



Celebrant

Reverend Father Peter Vanderweyst

Pallbearers

Jamie Paulzine

Mike Woessner

Irving Sletto

John Boedecker

James Lewis

Jamie Williams

Honorary Pallbearers

Ann Lewis

Susan Woessner

Deanna Williams

Paul Lehn

Musical Selections

“In the Garden”

“Ave Maria”

“Go Rest High on that Mountain”

Interment

St. Ann’s Catholic Cemetery

Brandon, Minnesota

The Day God Called You Home

God looked around His garden

and found an empty space.

Then He looked down upon the earth

and saw your tired face.

He put his arms around you,

lifted you to rest.

God’s garden must be beautiful,

for He only takes the best.

He knew that you were suffering.

He knew you were in pain.

He saw the road was getting rough,

and the hills were hard to climb.

So He closed your weary eyes,

and whispered, “Peace be thine”.

It broke our hearts to lose you,

but you did not go alone.

For part of us went with you,

the day God called you home.

