

Robert Edward Richardson, son of Robert Earl and Marion Rose (Schmidt) Richardson, was born on November 19, 1958 in St. Paul, MN. Bob attended St. Paul Johnson High School and graduated class of 1976. Shortly thereafter, Bob made his way up to the Alexandria area where he has been ever since. Bob has been involved in auto mechanics and the auto industry for the majority of his life, and was most recently employed at Alexandria Motors for the last 2 decades.

Bob grew up with a love for racing. He spent countless hours over the years at Viking Speedway in Alexandria. He was involved in all aspects: from racer, to crew member, tow truck driver, and even flag man at the neighboring go kart track. His racing career highlight came in 1990 after winning the Sportsman Class Championship.

Although racing was a passion for Bob, his family was the most important part of his life. Bob raised three wonderful children; Shari, Jeff, and Jenna. He loved taking family trips to Duluth to watch the ships come and go from Lake Superior. However, spending time at the family's cabin on Lake Miliona was probably his favorite activity. Whether it included fishing, grilling some top-notch ribs, reffing volleyball games, or watching his grandchildren play, he always had a good time. Perhaps his favorite activity there was to give "little brother Mike" a hard time with his friendly banter. Those two going back and forth was often the highlight of the weekends, and will be just one of the many things the family will miss the most.

Bob married Lisa Morrow on June 16, 2012 with friends and family present at their home. Together they lived near Evansville and enjoyed watching Nascar races, Viking games, old John Wayne westerns and shows like MASH or Hogan's Heros. If Lisa was lucky enough to get the remote, maybe some HGTV. Bob loved to laugh, and loved to make people laugh. He had a contagious laughter that will live on in our hearts and memories forever. It wasn't a normal night at the house if Bob wasn't giving his wife Lisa a hard time, playing the friendly game of banter they, each loved.

Robert E Richardson died on Saturday, November 10th, 2018 at the St Cloud Hospital at the age of 59. He is survived by his wife, Lisa Richardson of Evansville; children Shari Richardson and partner Brandon Johnson of Fargo, ND, Jeff and wife Caroline Richardson of Alexandria, and Jenna Richardson and husband Matthew Manwell of Madison WI; step-sons R.J Cunningham of Fergus Falls and Robert Vosen of Alexandria; grandchildren, Elle, Leo, and Rhys Richardson, Cole and Rhett Richardson, and Kira and Zadian Cunningham; brother, Mike and wife Cindy Richardson of Spring Valley, WI; sisters Sandy and husband Allen Gregg of St. Bonifacius and Roxanne and husband Rudy Papenfuss of Litchfield; uncle Don and wife/aunt Chic Schmidt, and numerous nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Robert was preceded in death by his parents; brother, Edward Richardson; and sister, Darlene Richardson.

For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven:

A time to be born, and a time to die;

A time to plant, and a time to pluck up what is planted;

A time to kill, and a time to heal;

A time to break down, and a time to build up;

A time to weep, and a time to laugh;

A time to mourn, and a time to dance;

A time to cast away stones, and a time to gather stones together;

A time to embrace, and a time to refrain from embracing;

A time to seek, and a time to lose;

A time to keep, and a time to cast away;

A time to tear, and a time to sew;

A time to keep silence, and a time to speak;

A time to love, and a time to hate;

A time for war, and a time for peace.

Ecclesiastes 3:1-8

In Memory of

Robert Edward Richardson

November 19, 1958 † November 10, 2018

Celebration of Life

Anderson Funeral Home Chapel
Alexandria, Minnesota
Saturday, November 17, 2018
4:00 PM

Officiant

Reverend Sarah Berglund

Special Songs

"The Dance"
(by Garth Brooks)

"Not All Heroes Wear Capes"
(by Owl City)

"The Walk"
(by Sawyer Brown)