



Richard Joseph Wiejaczka

April 1, 1941 - April 22, 2024

Richard Wiejaczka, cherished father and friend born April 1st 1941, passed away on April 22nd 2024 from Congestive Heart Failure. Richard was born in Brooklyn NY and graduated from Rice High School in Manhattan. After his HS graduation, Richard started his training to become a priest but changed his mind a year later and entered Iona College instead earning a BA in Spanish in 1964.

While in college, he was proud of his achievement in learning house painting from his father who was a professional house painter. After graduating college, he was hired by Green Point Bank which began a 40+ year career in banking, a profession for which he was well suited due to his detail oriented nature and one that he enjoyed very much.

Richard got married to his wife Barbara on May 7th 1966, and their only child, Cathy, was born exactly one year later. Richard enjoyed a close and loving relationship with his daughter, and they did many things together over the years including Mets baseball games, going to the racetrack, playing cards, watching movies and favorite tv shows together, and lots of traveling to many places on vacation. His preferred vacations were cruises and Disney World. Richard loved history, westerns and Star Trek. His favorite tv show was "The Honeymooners" and his favorite actor was John Wayne. Richard also enjoyed a close relationship with his younger brother, Stephen, before his passing in

2019. Richard retired from his banking career when his wife's health deteriorated and he needed to transition to the role of caretaker. She passed away in 2010. Richard chose not to remarry.

Richard was a man who was very routine-oriented and enjoyed living his life as a New Yorker. He and his family moved to Long Island in the mid 70's and he still lived in the same house until his passing. Richard was well-liked by many people and enjoyed various volunteer positions within St Martha's Catholic Church including being on the Bingo committee, being a Sacristan and singing in the choir. Richard was a born comedian embracing his April Fool's birthday and was always telling jokes. His generosity, kindness and likeable personality won him many friends whom he cherished and was cherished in return. Richard was a bright light and a true gift to the world, and he will be missed by all who had the privilege to know him.

A visitation will be held on Thursday, May 2, from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM at Beyers Funeral Home, 1123 W. Main St Leesburg, FL 34748. There will be a funeral service held the following day, Friday, May 3, 11:00 AM at Beyers Funeral Home with interment to follow at Lone Oak cemetery in Leesburg, Florida.

Arrangements entrusted to Beyers Funeral Home of Leesburg, Florida.

Cemetery Details

Lone Oak Cemetery

306 Thomas Avenue
Leesburg, FL 34748

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 2. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Beyers Funeral Home & Crematory
1123 W Main St
Leesburg, FL 34748
(352) 787-4343

Funeral Service

MAY 3. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

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“ *Kim, Jace & Yvette purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Richard Joseph Wiejaczka.*



Kim, Jace & Yvette - May 01, 2024 at 09:45 PM

KC

“ *Richard was an ever present father to Cathy, my best friend from elementary school on. He was always so kind, caring, generous and funny. I will miss our phone conversations when I would call Cathy for the holidays. May you Rest in Peace, Richard.*



Kimberly Crapo - May 01, 2024 at 09:31 PM

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“ *I met Richard first at Cathy and I's mutual employer, followed up by meeting them both at the Cheesecake Factory. Loved his daughter dearly and shared her love of travel, Walt Disney and all things Marvel/DC/Star Trek(ing). Rest peaceful with God's loving arms and God speed home. The Crawford Family.*

Cindy Crawford - May 01, 2024 at 04:45 PM