



Richard C. Swanson

March 12, 1964 - December 18, 2019

Richard C. Swanson III, 55 passed away surrounded by his loving family.

Richard began his career as a Tree Climber for the New York City Parks Department. In 1985, he joined the New York City Police Department where he was assigned to the 1st Precinct in downtown Manhattan. He was called in to work on 9/11, the World Trade Center disaster, and for many months worked at the site in various recovery effort assignments.

After retiring, Richard purchased a beautiful old Victorian home on twelve acres in upstate Oxford, NY. There, he was able to pursue his hobbies. He was a skilled wood carver, creating many beautiful pieces. He also loved skiing, fishing, and hunting. He made many good friends in his upstate community.

Richard passed away on December 18th, at Staten Island University Hospital North after fighting a brave battle with ALS. At the time of his passing he was surrounded by his family and listening to his favorite group, The Grateful Dead.

Richard was the devoted father to his children Signe and Richard, cherished son of Maureen and Richard and loving brother to Susan Zazulka and Nancy Cassidy and their families.

A Funeral service will be at 1:30 PM on Sunday at John Vincent Scalia Home for Funerals, Inc. located at 28 Eltingville Blvd Staten Island, New York 10312.

The family will receive friends from 2:00 PM to 5:00 PM and 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM on Saturday, December 21, 2019, at John Vincent Scalia Home for Funerals, Inc., 28 Eltingville Blvd, Staten Island, New York.

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 21. 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

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Visitation

DEC 21. 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

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Service

DEC 22. 1:30 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Richard C. Swanson*

October 04, 2023 at 06:13 PM



“ *Dear Rich ..way too young to leave this earth. It was a pleasure to work with you in the 1st Pct , you were a gentleman and we always had SI connections and stories to tell.
Rest In Peace my friend.*

*Dan C
Red Bank NJ*

dan c - December 25, 2019 at 01:56 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Richard C. Swanson.*



December 20, 2019 at 05:40 PM



“ *Love Signe, Richard IV & Julie purchased the Lily and Rose Tribute Spray for the family of Richard C. Swanson.*



Love Signe, Richard IV & Julie - December 20, 2019 at 03:43 PM

JL

“ Jill, Chad, & Matt LaFerriere purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Richard C. Swanson.



Jill, Chad, & Matt LaFerriere - December 20, 2019 at 03:11 PM

AN

“ Anita, Jack, Marc, Caryn, Keith, Nancy, Dan, Christine purchased the Loving Lilies and Roses Bouquet for the family of Richard C. Swanson.



Anita, Jack, Marc, Caryn, Keith, Nancy, Dan, Christine -
December 20, 2019 at 02:52 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Richard C. Swanson.



December 20, 2019 at 10:23 AM

MF

“ Martin, Rosemary johnsen and Family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Richard C. Swanson.



Martin, Rosemary johnsen and Family - December 20, 2019 at
08:10 AM

DD

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with his family at this difficult time. May you find peace and comfort in remembering all the joy and happiness that he brought to you in life.*

Dee Decker - December 19, 2019 at 10:28 PM

CM

“ *So sorry for your loss. I will always have great memories of growing up on Staten Island with Ricky. We had such a great childhood! We especially loved spending time with Ricky the last few years up at The Property - his happy place I think along with mine <3 Love Cynthia, Pete, Jake, Christine and Elyse*

Cynthia Marlow - December 19, 2019 at 06:39 PM

CM

“ *Cynthia E Marlow purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Richard C. Swanson.*



Cynthia E Marlow - December 19, 2019 at 06:39 PM