



Richard Thomas McMillan

June 24, 1956 - November 22, 2016

Richard Thomas McMillan, 60, of Poplar Grove died on November 22, 2016 in his home, surrounded by his loving family. Born on June 24, 1956 in Elgin, son of Earl and Lois (Koch) McMillan. Richard was a graduate of Dundee High School. He was formerly employed as a paramedic for the Carpentersville Fire Department and at Top Flight Stairs and Rails, where he worked as a carpenter. He was united in marriage to Diana Westphal on November 1, 1996. He is survived by his wife, Diana; children, Rachel (Darryl Roberts) of Elgin, Anna and Connor McMillan of Poplar Grove; step-children, Cherie (Fred) Garvey of Carpentersville, Stacey Walker-Little of Volo, Ryan Walker of Green Bay, WI; grandchildren, DeShea Tullock and Trinity Law of Galena; siblings, Daniel (Sherry) Pender of San Diego, CA, Margaret (Ron) Babcock of Galena, Earl (Patty) McMillan of Lakewood Ranch, FL, Doug (Betty) McMillan of Huntley, Dennis (Verba) McMillan of Azle, TX, Diane (Steve) Guetschow of Palmetto, FL; niece, Heather Guetschow and nephews, Cole Guetschow and Nicholas McMillan. Preceded in death by his parents. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made in his memory to the family. Celebration of Life on Saturday, December 3, 2016 at 12:00 p.m. at Grace Funeral & Cremation Services, 1340 S. Alpine Rd. Rockford - at Colonial Village. Memorial visitation at 11:00 a.m. until the time of the service. Share a memory or condolence at www.graceFH.com.

Previous Events

Memorial Visitation

DEC 3. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



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Grace Funeral & Cremation Services - December 01, 2016 at 01:47 PM

MG

“ *I am really sorry for your loss. I know there are no words to comfort you in these moments. Only time will heal your wounds. I also had the loss of my father when I was really young. And I still do miss me. But the comfort to know the Lord has always been by my side has been my support. Hang in there. We are here to help you.*
Mrs. Gomez - ELL Teacher

Maria Gomez - November 28, 2016 at 10:59 AM

GM

“ I am saddened to hear of the passing of my boyhood BEST FRIEND Dick McMillan. We were inseparable buddies for several years before we started to drift apart in high school and later lost contact with each other after that. But we had memories to last a lifetime. From our countless baseball games in the McMillan's back yard with Dick's sister Diane and the neighbor Templin boys to our many sledding escapades on Sunset Drive. How many summers we spent walking through the woods armed with our trusty pellet guns or exploring the lakes up on McGraw's property (before the game warden would see us and chase us out of there—we never did get caught!). For 2 or 3 years my dad had a vegetable stand out by the roadside on our front lot and he put Dick and myself in charge of running it until he would get home from work to take over. I spent seemingly every Saturday night over at the McMillan's house where we stayed up all night—watching "Creature Features", ordering in that famous (greasy) Masi's pizza and then awakening (LATE) the next morning to the aroma of Mrs. McMillan's incomparable French toast. I can STILL remember how it tasted to this day! We played little league in Elgin together (on the Dodgers) and one summer Dick went with us for 2 weeks on our family vacation up to Spooner, Wi. What great memories. We had a lot of fun growing up together out there on Duncan Ave. So I hope that Dick had a happy life and lived all of his 60 years (I even remember his birthday—June 24) to the fullest. My condolences go out to the entire McMillan family. Sincerely, Guy Meaker/Cary, Il.

Guy Meaker - November 27, 2016 at 04:04 PM



So nice to hear from you, Guy. I went off to college when Dick was still in grade school. I didn't know about all the fun you had. Peggy

Margaret Babcock - November 28, 2016 at 08:31 PM

DM

Tanks Guy. Duncan Ave was a special place in our lives. I'm glad that you and Dick were such good friends and you have those memories.
Doug

doug mcmillan - November 30, 2016 at 04:46 PM

DG

Thanks Guy! I can remember all those great times including Dick & I being chased by your St Bernard Ollie. I beat Dick up the tree and he got bit on the elbow...lol
Hope you're doing well!
Diane McMillan Guetschow

Diane Guetschow - December 05, 2016 at 05:15 PM

SA

“*Hi: Peggy, Danny(Earl), Dougie(Doug) Denny. Diane: Read about Dick. this AM and child hood just flashed thru my head-such wonderful times. you guys, Petersons and Judy and me. I loved that time of my life!!! Pop corn and kool aid in the back yard, picnics, camp outs all sorts of happy smiling times. I am soooo very sorry about and Jay and now Dickie being gone along with all of our parents A very good time of my life then.*

Love you guys,
Sandy

Sandy - November 26, 2016 at 04:57 PM



We did have lots of fun. And your Dad would make us an ice rink in the winter. Would love to get in touch with you.

Margaret Babcock - November 28, 2016 at 08:34 PM

PD

“ Dear Doug, Betty, and McMillan family, God bless you in this difficult time of losing your brother. I remember how nice all of the McMillan kids were, growing up in Dundee, and what a nice family you have. May your memories be of great comfort to you. Love, Peggy (Smith) & Roy DeSousa

Peggy DeSousa - November 24, 2016 at 02:17 PM

HH

“ We had a lot of good times camping and doing family things. Whenever we needed help you were always there. Hank and I send our deepest sympathies to the McMillan family. We couldn't have asked for a better neighbor. Rest in Peace Mac

Hank and Sandy Hoehler

Hank Hoehler - November 24, 2016 at 12:35 PM

BR

“ So many memories from our childhood. We were neighbors for a long time growing up. Tom and I extend our deepest sympathies to the whole McMillan family. Rest In Peace Dick.



Betsy and Tom Rieke - November 24, 2016 at 08:04 AM



“ Will always remember the good times! Mack was always there to lend a helping hand whenever you needed! RIP Mack!!!!!! You were a great neighbor and friend!

Bob Buchner - November 23, 2016 at 06:14 PM

CJ

“ *I wish to send my condolences to the McMillan family.*

Colette Jung

colette jung - November 23, 2016 at 05:56 PM