



Richard "Rick" M. Silah

July 12, 1950 - December 2, 2009

Richard "Rick" M. Silah, 59, of 8801 W. Grantosa Drive, Milwaukee, died unexpectedly on Wednesday, December 2, 2009, at home. He was born on July 12, 1950, in Fond du Lac, a son of Richard P. and Helen P. Lichtenwald Silah. Rick was a graduate of L.P. Goodrich High School, Class of 1968. He received his Bachelor of Science degree from the University of Wisconsin-Madison, and his Masters degree from The Consortium of California State University. He served with the United States Air Force from 1968-1972 and was in the Reserves for ten years, including five months in Kuwait during Operation Desert Storm. On August 16, 1973, he married Patricia J. Sonnenberg. Rick was a safety officer in the Milwaukee Public Schools. He is survived by his former wife, Patricia, two sons: Adam M. Silah (fiancée Kristin Nolan) and Christopher P. Silah, all of Milwaukee; two brothers: John (Karen) Silah and Gary L. Silah; his stepmother, Mary Lou (Myron "Doc") Bartelt, all of Fond du Lac; aunts and uncles. He was preceded in death by his parents; a son, Troy Richard Silah, on June 25, 2001; and a sister-in-law, Mary Lynn Silah. The funeral service will be held at 1:30 p.m. on Saturday, December 5, 2009, at Mach Funeral Chapel & Crematory, 31 East Division Street, Fond du Lac. Burial will be in West Bend Cemetery. The visitation will be on Saturday at Mach Funeral Chapel & Crematory from 10:00 a.m. until the time of service. Memorials may be directed to Children's Hospital of Milwaukee.

Tribute Wall

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Adam Silah - December 07, 2009 at 07:01 PM

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Adam Silah of Milwaukee, WI - December 07, 2009 at 12:00 AM

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Love- Pat and Julie*

Julie Minikowski - December 04, 2009 at 06:54 PM

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Gary Silah - December 04, 2009 at 06:20 PM

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Rosemarie Vokes - December 04, 2009 at 05:42 PM

BR

“ Mr. Silah was a good man, he was the safety aide at Madison High School when i graduated. I use to call him blue eyes. My condolences to his family.

Brandy - December 04, 2009 at 02:49 PM

GL

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Julie Minikowski of Burlington - December 04, 2009 at 12:00 AM

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Mike and Missy Pfeifer - December 04, 2009 at 12:00 AM

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brad moeller - December 03, 2009 at 08:52 PM

JS

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Jim Seabeck - December 03, 2009 at 07:11 PM

CF

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Our deepest sympathy to you and your family in the loss of Richard.
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Cherie Buss & Family - December 03, 2009 at 06:26 PM

TM

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Tim Mackesey - December 03, 2009 at 10:15 AM

SB

“ I am so sorry for your loss and I will pray for family in your time of need.

Steve Buchan - December 03, 2009 at 09:43 AM

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