



Richard Joseph Guajardo

August 25, 1955 - June 30, 2021

Richard Joseph Guajardo, 65, of Grand Ledge, a great conversationalist who put family first, passed away on June 30, 2021 at his residence in Grand Ledge, MI. He was born on August 25, 1955 to Jose and Beverly Ann (Adamson) Guajardo in Jackson, MI. He was a graduate of Jackson Lumen Christi High School. After graduation he enlisted in the Navy serving his country. On December 22, 1978 he married Paula Camp in Olivet, MI.

Richard loved his work as a Tool and Die Journeyman for Demmer and RSTG. He was proud of his ability to earn his card and create. Above all else he considered himself a man of God and the caretaker of his family. He lived that role so much that even after becoming stricken with his final illness he was busy canning and making sure that his list of things was completed so that his family and wife would be cared for after he was gone. Richard was an avid reader. It is said that when he set down with a book he would "devour it." He gathered so much knowledge from his reading that he was full of all kinds of random knowledge. His family often said "he could be a Jeopardy Champion." Richard was an involved dad. He was a Charlotte Junior Orioles coach for a number of years. He was always in the stands cheering his boys on.

Richard is survived by his wife Paula, and their two sons, Nicholas Joseph (Jacki) Guajardo, Isaac James (Siara) Guajardo; many grandchildren; two

brothers, Allen Ricky Guajardo, Christopher Lee Guajardo.

Funeral services will be held Tuesday July 6 at 11:00 am at the Liberty Christian Church in Lansing with visitation beginning at 10:00 am. A luncheon will be held after the service, and then interment for Richard in the Maple Hill Cemetery in Charlotte will follow.

Family and friends are encouraged to share remembrances and condolences online in Richard's Tribute Page at www.prayfuneral.com. The family is in the care of Pray Funeral Home, Charlotte, MI.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 6. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Liberty Christian Church
2215E. Michigan
Lansing, MI 48912

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Tribute Wall



“ Pray Funeral Home, Inc created a Tribute Video in memory of Richard Joseph Guajardo



Pray Funeral Home, Inc. - July 05, 2021 at 05:39 PM

TF

“ Richard. I can't talk right now because there is a large lump in my throat. You have been my Friend for so many years that message dropped me to knees. We have has more laughs then I could've ever imagined and it is my pleasure to have you as a friend!! I could always come to you and just talk. Even though we went down in different directions after Demmer just knowing that you were still out there gave me comfort. I will Treasure our Friendship Forever! My Prayers to you and your family have always been there and will continue. You always put a smile on my face when I walked thru the door at Demmer and saw you smile. I will miss you mind FRIEND but always in my Heart. I hope to talk to you again real soon!!

Not really sure if this makes sense but my eyes are filled with Tears.

Tom Fraker - July 07, 2021 at 05:29 PM



“ 32 files added to the album Life Tributes



Pray Funeral Home, Inc. - July 05, 2021 at 05:34 PM



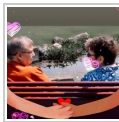
“ Uncle Richie was sweetheart! He had the best giggle! His love for my aunt and the boys was amazing, as his love for sports was too!

Rachel Peel - July 05, 2021 at 02:04 PM



“ I'm so sorry to hear of Mr. Guajardo's passing. He was such a kind man. Whenever I hear "A Mighty Fortress," I think of him singing so joyfully and powerfully... I'm sure he's singing all the more gloriously before his Maker now. Praying for his family in their loss.

Amy Moll - July 02, 2021 at 10:52 AM



We are sorry to loose Richard. He always picked on Al and I. He was excited that we were getting married. We will miss you and continue to remember the good times. So sorry for your family's loss. Mr and Mrs Allen Guajardo

Marie Rupert - July 02, 2021 at 03:00 PM

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Amy, guess what song he selected as a song for his funeral. Yes, you guessed it, A Mighty Fortress is Our God. Ty for you condolences.

Paula Guajardo - July 03, 2021 at 11:04 AM

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Yes, Marie, Richard was a big tease. I will miss his humor and him very much.

Paula Guajardo - July 03, 2021 at 11:06 AM

RF

“ I met Richard, or Rich as he liked to be called, in the early 70’s when we both worked at Sveden House restaurant in Jackson (along with his brother Al and mother Bev). We had a lot of fun together at work and were good friends outside of work for a couple of years. After high school we lost touch, but just recently reconnected through social media. I was fortunate to spend a couple hours with Rich in late May. It was so good to hear him laugh when we reminisced about old times, and talk about where our lives had taken us over the last 50 years. We planned to get together with our wives later this summer, but sadly, Rich left us before that could happen. I grieve for my friend and offer my heartfelt condolences to his family and friends. May God comfort you all during this time of loss.

Roy Fisher - July 02, 2021 at 10:32 AM

PG

Ty Roy. God is and has been our ROCK through this last year. I would still love to meet you and your wife.

Paula Guajardo - July 03, 2021 at 11:08 AM

GA

“ We have good memories of Rich’s kind and generous heart. One of his love languages: “I’ll be there with pizza!”
Our sympathies and prayers are with you and the family in this difficult time. -Mike and Gail

Gail - July 02, 2021 at 10:27 AM

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Thanks Gail and Mike. Yes, we all know the man loved food. He became the cook for he and I for the last two years and I have to say it was all very yummy.

Paula Guajardo - July 03, 2021 at 11:11 AM

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“ Richard knew and loved the great God who holds us in the palm of his hand. He trusted God and has been released from pain and suffering. We can rejoice in the knowledge we will be seeing him again. May the God of all comfort keep all the family with his loving presence at this time of loss.

Linda Oswald - July 02, 2021 at 09:51 AM

PG

Ty Linda. Our God is a great God and He is my comfort and strength.

Paula Guajardo - July 03, 2021 at 11:13 AM

MF

“ Paula, we’re very sorry to hear about Rich’s passing. He was a generous and giving man.

Michael Fuller - July 02, 2021 at 09:44 AM

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Ty Michelle and Karen

Paula Guajardo - July 03, 2021 at 11:14 AM

LF

“ Rich volunteered his time coaching the CJO football teams and this grew into a real friendship with the Rodriguez/Fox families. We cherish the time you gave to us, and consider you family. We pray that you now find comfort and peace in the arms of our Lord and that now you are no longer suffering. Love and miss you already friend. Until we meet again...

Rodriguez/Fox Families

Linda Fox - July 01, 2021 at 03:34 PM

TF

I first met Richard at Demmer in Lansing, MI. He always had a smile on his face and a great attitude as well. We worked on more projects together than I can count and he made it fun. I was proud to have him as a Friend! RIP my Friend. You will be missed!! Thomas

Thomas Fraker - July 03, 2021 at 08:51 AM

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He did love his profession and our motto about work in the family...you have to work so you might as well enjoy it!

Paula Guajardo - July 03, 2021 at 11:17 AM