

Richard "Rich" R. Banick

January 4, 1957 - September 9, 2023

Richard "Rich" Banick, 66 year old resident of Ft. Ripley, MN, passed away from a medical condition on September 9, 2023 at his residence. A Mass of Christian Burial will be 11:00 AM on Friday, September 15, 2023, at Holy Family Catholic Church in Belle Prairie, MN with Father David Maciej officiating. Burial will be in the Parish Cemetery. Visitation will be from 9:30 to 11 AM on Friday at Holy Family Catholic Church. Rosary will be at 9:30 AM. Caring for Rich and his family is the Shelley Funeral Chapel in Little Falls, MN.

Rich was born on January 4, 1957 in Little Falls, MN to Raymond and Dorothy (Matlock) Banick. Rich was baptized and confirmed at Holy Family Parish in Belle Prairie. He graduated from Little Falls Community High School in 1975. He then attended Alexandria Vo-Tech for Truck Driving. After that he joined the US Army and was a bus driver in Maryland driving Soldiers to the Walter Reed Hospital. He later was a member of the Army National Guard for 3 years. In 1982 he married Patti (Rahn) Banick and spent 41 years with his lifelong wife/best friend. In 2019 he retired from Lake State Industries/Infinity Metal after 30 plus years working as a truck driver and sheet metal specialist. Rich enjoyed his small-time farming life, his cows, cutting wood, collection of Corvettes, John Deere tractors, driving around in his limousine, and the peace and quiet of his country home. He loved to hang out in his Man Cave in his cowboy boots and hat and relax and enjoy a few beers with family/friends. Rich loved talking politics and was a big fan of Trump and he wasn't afraid to

let everyone know it! Though all of these things brought him joy, the greatest joy in his life was his family. In 2003, their daughter Jessi passed at the age of 16. He and Patti struggled immensely with their loss and Rich would often tell us he just wants to be with Jessi - now we all know that God has answered his years of prayers – he is with Jessi.

Rich is survived by his wife and life-long friend, Patti Banick; son, John Banick; parents, Ray and Dorothy (Matlock) Banick; brothers, Dan Banick, Tom and Laura (Otremba) Banick; sisters, Janelle (Tim) Rieland, Marie (Kevin) Festler. Rich was preceded in death by his daughter, Jessi Banick.

Cemetery Details

Holy Family Parish Catholic Cemetery - Belle Prairie

18777 Riverwood Dr
Little Falls, MN 56345

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **15.** 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Holy Family Catholic Church - Belle Prairie
18777 Riverwood Drive
Little Falls, MN

Mass of Christian Burial

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Tribute Wall



“ *Lemieur Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of Richard "Rich" R. Banick*



Lemieur Funeral Homes - September 12, 2023 at 08:30 AM

LP

“ *Linda Paycer lit a candle in memory of Richard "Rich" R. Banick*



Linda Paycer - September 14, 2023 at 06:37 PM

DL

“ *Our hearts, thoughts & prayers are with all of you- 🙏❤️! Sending love & hugs.... Dawn & Brad Laager*



Dawn & Brad Laager - September 13, 2023 at 02:41 PM

VB

“ *The ones we've lost are found in our memories. With sympathy. Virgil and Babe Brisk*

Virgil Brisk - September 13, 2023 at 01:15 PM

TH

“ *Richard had a big heart and loved the simple life 💕 He is now with Jessi who was his little sweetheart ! He will be missed deeply !*



Therese - September 13, 2023 at 09:37 AM

DJ

“ *Debbie M Jelinski-Harakel lit a candle in memory of Richard "Rich" R. Banick*



Debbie M Jelinski-Harakel - September 12, 2023 at 10:55 PM

SW

“ *Patti and family I am so sorry for your loss. You are in my thoughts and prayers.*



Sandy {Bzdok} Wright-Olson - September 12, 2023 at 08:12 PM

SD

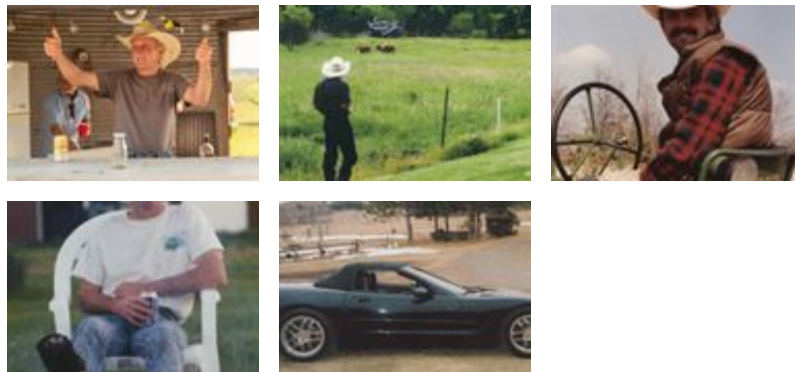
“ *R I P Rich!
And peace to the whole family!*



Stan and Dee - September 12, 2023 at 02:10 PM



“ 87 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Lemieur Funeral Homes - September 12, 2023 at 08:30 AM

CM

“ *Gentle hugs, prayers, and condolences go out to the entire family of Richard Banick. May he rest in the peace of Christ, and may God hold all of you in the palm of his hand. Blessed be his memory.*



Claudette Moran - September 12, 2023 at 02:57 AM

CA

“ *Chris Anderson lit a candle in memory of Richard "Rich" R. Banick*



Chris Anderson - September 11, 2023 at 10:21 PM



“ *Brad Hilmerson lit a candle in memory of Richard "Rich" R. Banick*



Brad Hilmerson - September 11, 2023 at 10:19 PM



“ *Kaiti Tatro lit a candle in memory of Richard "Rich" R. Banick*



Kaiti Tatro - September 11, 2023 at 07:50 PM



“ *May The Lord bless your soul Rich, And keep this family strong and at Peace.*
Lynn Olson



Lynn Olson - September 11, 2023 at 07:33 PM



“ *Lynn Olson lit a candle in memory of Richard "Rich" R. Banick*



Lynn Olson - September 11, 2023 at 07:30 PM

BH

“ *Ray, Dorothy and family
Our deepest sympathy for loss of your son,
brother, husband and father.
Thoughts and prayers for Peace and Comfort.*



Bruce and Patti Hammerbeck



bruce and patti hammerbeck - September 11, 2023 at 05:59 PM

DH

“ *Doris Heying lit a candle in memory of
Richard "Rich" R. Banick*



doris heying - September 11, 2023 at 01:58 PM

DP

“ *Deb Pederson lit a candle in memory of
Richard "Rich" R. Banick*



Deb Pederson - September 11, 2023 at 09:00 AM

KB

“ *My deepest Sympathy to Rich's Family and
Friends. May he rest in peace!*



Kristie and Jack Berendt - September 11, 2023 at 08:13 AM

KA

“ *Kathy And Bruce Anderson lit a candle in memory of Richard "Rich" R. Banick*



Kathy and Bruce Anderson - September 11, 2023 at 08:12 AM

BO

“ *Thank you so much for all the good times and stogies we had together! I truly miss you, Patti and of course Jessi. I can't find the words to express myself properly. I love you.*



Brent Olson - September 11, 2023 at 06:31 AM

AD

“ *Ann Doble sent a virtual gift in memory of Richard "Rich" R. Banick*



Ann Doble - September 10, 2023 at 08:48 PM

LS

“ Thank you Rich for being such a wonderful friend to my dad. The picture is of you paying final tribute to Dad by circling the property for hours in the tractor. Each time Dad heard you he perked up . May God Bless you and give you perfect rest. Say hi to Dad for us. The Neumann Family.



Linda Stern - September 10, 2023 at 02:52 PM

JS

Thoughts and prayers for the Banick family at this difficult time. Dan and June Stager.

June Stager - September 11, 2023 at 07:47 PM

JS

Patti so sorry for your loss, tried finding on media should have wrote you instead. I hope you can find peace in your heart ❤️ now he is with the daughter you both lost, they will be there for each other now. Talk soon (June Stager) Your grade school through high-school and meeting through the years old friend. On Facebook, junestager@gmail.com or 320-310-2072

June Stager - September 11, 2023 at 08:01 PM

LB

Patti,
So very sorry for your loss of your soulmate in life.
I am hoping peace and comfort will come upon you these next few days.
Sending love and positive vibes.
See you soon.

Laura Block - September 12, 2023 at 02:55 PM