



Mr Richard Johnson

April 6, 1952 - September 29, 2022

Ohio - Richard Ray "White Sox" Johnson, 70, passed away on Thursday, September 29, 2022 at OSF St. Clare surrounded by his loving family.

Richard, was always known as Rick by his friends and family. He was born on April 6, 1952 to the late Donald and Hazel (Rayborn) Johnson in Princeton, IL. Hazel always referred to Rick as "Her gift from God". He was a graduate of Princeton High School, Class of 1972.

He worked at Gateway Services in their workshop and then worked for their Recycling Plant. When they closed, he went to work at Johnson Upholstery Shop from 1998 to 2022.

Rick was very involved in the Special Olympics, Track and Bowling were his specialty. Earning more metals than he knew what to do with and cherished each and every one of them. You may see him around town wearing them just on a walk around town.

He was a huge White Sox fan, he attended a game with Gateway Services, a dream come true for Rick. One of the highlights in life was the time he got to see Michael Jordan play at a Bulls Game, a story he loved to share with everyone. He loved listening to old Rock and Roll Music, 70's, 80's and a little 90's, he didn't forget a word and could quote many songs. He also loved

watching old TV shows, Raw Hide, Wagon Train, Iron Side and Gun Smoke. One of his favorite memories was his trip last Thanksgiving to Monterey, TN, a drive with his brother, Terry and sister-in-law Debbie, as well as nephew, Colton, to meet up with his brother Jeff and sister-in-law Lori at their home in Tennessee. He stayed eight days and had a blast. Visiting some Amish Country, lots of beautiful scenery and relaxation. He was such a joy to everyone he came in contact with. He will be greatly missed by his family and friends, but is safe with his mom in heaven, as she has her gift back.

Rick is survived by three brothers Terry (Deb) Johnson of Walnut, IL, James Johnson of Princeton, IL, Jeff (Lori) Johnson of Monterey, TN; one sister, Julie (Todd Ryan) Johnson Maloy; as well as numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.

Preceded in death by his parents, Donald and Hazel Johnson, two brothers, Ronnie Johnson and Larry Johnson, and his beloved niece Erica Maloy.

In lieu of flowers, memorial may be directed to the family.

A visitation will be held for Rick at Norberg Memorial Home, Inc. & Monuments, Princeton, IL, on Saturday, October 8, 2022 from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Services to follow at 1:00 p.m. at Norberg Memorial Home, Inc. & Monuments, on Saturday, October 8, 2022, officiated by Pastor Eldon Cook from the Walnut Community Bible Church.

Cremation Rites Accorded

Online memorials and condolences may be directed to www.norbergfh.com

Arrangements by Norberg Memorial Home, Inc. & Monuments.

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT 8. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Norberg Memorial Home, Inc.
701 E. Thompson Street
Princeton, IL 61356

Funeral Service

OCT 8. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

BS

“ So shocked to hear this! Rick was such a great guy I remember getting off work when I worked construction in Princeton I'd get a six pack to take home and he walked over the old wood bridge over the railroad tracks on 6'th street I'd see him and stop and say hi and he'd see the the beer and I'd give him one every time I saw him after that he'd tell me Brian Shofner buys the beer□

Brian Shofner - October 05, 2022 at 09:55 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mr Richard Johnson.



October 05, 2022 at 09:09 PM

SS

“ I'm sorry to hear about Rick. He was a special person and always happy. My thoughts and prayers are with you.

Sandy Shadle - October 04, 2022 at 10:12 PM

AB

“ So sorry for your loss Rick will be truly missed. Special Olympics will not be the same without him. He was one of the kindest guys that I had to get to know. I will never forget how much he loved to talk about the white socks anytime he was at track and failed he will be truly missed. Just the other day he was in Casey's in Princeton getting his lottery tickets. He is a great guy that will always be missed. His voice will always be missed. Sending prayers to all of you.

Autumn Borsch - October 04, 2022 at 04:08 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Mr Richard Johnson.



October 04, 2022 at 02:11 PM

KB

“ So sorry for your loss. We will miss seeing Ricky walking uptown to get his lottery tickets. Jim and Kelly Becker

Kelly Becker - October 04, 2022 at 02:01 PM

VH

“ Terry and Deb,
So sorry to hear about Rick's passing. You are in my thoughts and prayers.

Vanessa Hoffeditz

Vanessa Hoffeditz - October 04, 2022 at 01:10 PM