



Richard Joseph Vitzthum

February 26, 1965 - March 4, 2019

Age 54 of Shoreview

Passed away unexpectedly March 3, 2019.

Survived by wife, Le Anne; daughter, Melody Vitzthum; granddaughters, London and Nora; step-daughter, Christa (Nathan) Roelke; grandson, Nathan, Jr.; step-son, Eric Bartusch; granddaughters, Addison and Olivia; step-daughter, Jenna (Miro) Bartusch; brother, Pat; sisters, Desiree and Deann.

Richard loved his Ford F150 truck and spent many weekends detailing it. He worked for Goebel Fixtures where he put his extreme passion for woodworking and teaching the trade to good use. Rich spent his free time when the weather was nice hanging out in the yard, grill on, tunes up, beer in hand and Joe dog at his feet; it was his idea of paradise. He was an amazing Papa to all of his grandkids and couldn't resist getting them all wound up every chance he got. Rich always made sure we knew when the Packers played, how well they were doing, and where they could definitely make improvements. He taught us there was an opinion to be had about everything, how to stand up for ourselves, and that whatever we did, it would come better from us than anywhere else. Rich loved us fiercely and supported us without judgement, what we wouldn't give for just one more day with him....

A Celebration of Richard's Life will be at a later date, at the Kinnickinnic River where he loved to kayak with his wife.

In lieu of flowers, drink a Coors light and jam out to your favorite tunes as loud

as the speakers will allow.

Tribute Wall



“ Washburn-McReavy Funeral Chapels created a Tribute Video in memory of Richard Joseph Vitzthum



December 14, 2023 at 06:21 PM



“ Missing my good Arizona friend when he lived here. He was my younger brother and a party animal. He was a wonderful father loved and so proud of his daughter and his Wisconsin family. I will miss his spirit and am so thankful he sought me out and got chance to catch up. He will be missed Rest In Peace my friend.

Christa Hutchison - May 27, 2019 at 12:00 AM



“ Oh my goodness Richie. I can only imagine the fishing that you and your dad will do now as the fish must be pretty dadgum big in Heaven. I have so many wonderful memories of our trips with Desi to Lake Pleasant . I am blessed to have had you in my life and especially as family. Rest Peacefully.....

Renee Jobin - April 24, 2019 at 12:00 AM



“ God Bless nephew, you will for ever be in my heart.

Theresa Hunt - April 22, 2019 at 12:00 AM

DV

“ Love and miss you.

Desiree Vitzthum - April 21, 2019 at 12:00 AM

JR

“ LeAnne, we are so sorry to hear of your loss. We are lifting you in prayer and sending Hugs! Sending Love!

Jim & Anne Roth - March 15, 2019 at 12:00 AM

BB

“ Dear Le Anne, We will truly miss seeing Rich enjoying his grilling, or you two just relaxing under the shade of the big maple with Joe dog enjoying the summer breeze. Our heart and prayers are with you and family for such a terrible loss. We are sincerely blessed to have you as a neighbor. Bob & Deb

Bob & Deb Bailey - March 15, 2019 at 12:00 AM

KB

“ LeAnne, I am so sorry for your loss. Your family is in my prayers. Love, Kelli

Kelli Billman - March 14, 2019 at 12:00 AM

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MH

“ Dear Le Anne, Thinking of you and your family, sending prayers your way...

Mary Hornby-Kirkendall - March 12, 2019 at 12:00 AM

TK

“ *I am so sorry Leanne. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.*

Thomas Kordiak - March 12, 2019 at 12:00 AM