



Rickie Alan Emery

July 11, 1956 - September 18, 2023

Rick was interestingly named Rickie at birth: Rickie Alan Emery officially, and if you asked him, either was fine, and of the many people that called him friend, both were often used. His family was equally split. Rickie was born in Albert Lea, MN, on July 11, 1956, to Delores and Clifford, and like out of a movie, he was born in the same room and at almost the same time as Dow Fredrickson, who later became and remained one of his best friends for the rest of his life.

While still in high school, Rick met his future wife and soulmate, Lynda Thompson. Married on April 8, 1978, they were together for 45 years, living in Albert Lea, Plymouth, Hopkins, St. Louis Park, and Mound. On March 5, 1985, their son Nicholas joined the family, and for Rick and Lynda, life really began, and Nick became both son and best friend.

Rick spent most of his work life as an engineer, and he was always known as a very hard worker. However, when it was time to put work away and enjoy life, Rick's true mastery took over, embracing passions for boating, travel, and his ultimate pastime: hanging out with his grandchildren Vivian and Blair, the children of Nick and his wife, Tabitha.

Challenges with health issues over the last few years highlighted Rick's strength of character. But, even as he battled and battled, he never let it dim his passions. A fixture on his boat on Lake Minnetonka whenever possible, he

and Lynda also crammed in a lifetime of travel in only a few years as they made a road trip out to the Western United States, followed by trips to San Diego, Chicago, Belize, New Orleans, Turks-Caicos, Greece, Italy, and Croatia.

His list of friends was a long one. Rick was also a solid fixture in the lives of many, including being a brother to Phil, brother-in-law to Mitch and Mark, Wally, Lisa, and Deb, and uncle to Lexi and Noah. Still, most of all, he was a loving husband to Lynda, a bond forged as teenagers that endured through all of life's highs and lows. He will be dearly missed by all of them.

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **29**. 12:30 PM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Edina Chapel
5000 West 50th & Highway 100
Edina, MN 55436

Memorial Gathering

SEP **29**. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



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“ Days of Sunshine Bouquet was purchased for the family of Rickie Alan Emery.



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