



## Michael D. Richert

February 5, 1965 - January 29, 2021

Michael D. Richert, 55, of Colona, IL passed away on Friday, January 29, 2021 at OSF St. Francis Medical Center in Peoria.

He was born on February 5, 1965 in Chicago to Philip and Patricia (Donnelly) Richert.

Survivors include his three daughters, Farra Weber of Chicago, IL, Witnee Don of Huntley, IL, and Aliya Richert of Schaumburg, IL; one son, Shane Richert of Crystal Lake; three granddaughters, Mia Rylie Weber, Ava Grace Weber, and Vayda Faye Don and one grandson, Corbin James Don.

He was preceded in death by his parents and one sister, Kathleen Richert.

Michael worked as a welder at John Deere and worked hard his entire life.

His passions in life were his children, family, friends, sports, animals and a good time.

Michael enjoyed fishing, camping, boating, cooking, movies with his children, board games, bowling, star gazing, bonfires, music, and bird watching.

He will always be remembered as living life to the fullest, being a cool dad,

and his happy soul.

The charming, handsome, loving, kind, brilliant, charismatic, strong, funny, fun, invincible guy he was, will forever be in all of our hearts. He will continue to live on through his children & grandchildren.

Per his wishes, cremation rites have been accorded. A celebration of life will be held at a later date.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Quad City Animal Welfare Center at <https://qcawc.org/>

Schmidt-Haller Burial and Cremation Services in Peoria is assisting the family.

Online condolences may be made at [www.schmidthaller.com](http://www.schmidthaller.com)

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Michael D. Richert*

Schmidt Haller Burial and Cremation Services - August 13, 2024 at 01:19 PM

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“ *~~~~~Dad you will forever be missed by me here on earth. I know you said honey everyone dies that's how life goes with a reassurance for me not to worry but I truly wish we had more time together here on earth. I know you're in heaven next to the lord & the rest of the family. I wish you were here because there's still so much I want to tell you. & wanted more memories with your family. I love you. 🥺 ~~~~~*

Witnee Don - March 10, 2021 at 12:00 AM

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“ *~~~~~Aliya and Shane Richert. ~~~~~*

Heather - February 11, 2021 at 12:00 AM

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“ *~~~~~In life we loved you dearly, in death we love you still, in our hearts we hold a place that only you can fill. It broke our hearts to lose you, but you didn't go alone. A part of us went with you, the day God took you home. Forever in our hearts. Love Heather and our 2 beautiful children we created. ~~~~~*

Heather - February 10, 2021 at 12:00 AM

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“*~~~~~ RIP To mike! My best friend for over 40 years! You will be missed by many! But even more by me . You always could make people laugh in there saddest times i always knew when i went out with you the sky was the limit we had the craziest times but always kept each other safe! I love you brother ! And was honored to be your friend god bless you my brother RIP! I know you saved me a seat ~~~~~*

Paul Montgomery - February 10, 2021 at 12:00 AM

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“*~~~~~ RIP Michael, I know we lost touch over the years but you were a cool brother in-law! I'll never forget the first day we met Michael. My friend Gina, my sister Carol and myself all decided to go to a dance club and my friend noticed Michael there, Gina use to attend high school with Michael. Small world! She mentioned he was on the football team. He was very out going and handsome and he knew it. He was just that way, highly confident and knew what he wanted! I saw the way Michael looked at Carol, I knew immediately they would hit it off! Gina introduced Michael and Carol and they exchanged numbers, the rest is history. Carol and Michael made a beautiful couple and beautiful children. They may not have stayed in the marriage but they loved their children deeply. Farra, Witnee, Alyiah & Shane, I am truly sorry for the loss of your father. No matter where your dad is, he'll always be watching over all of you and his grandkids. Sending healing prayers and comforting hugs your way. I'm here if you need anything ❤️ Love, Auntie Lori and family ❤️ ~~~~~*

Lori - February 09, 2021 at 12:00 AM