



Richard "Richie" Brien

March 28, 1945 - January 1, 2022

Richard "Richie" Brien passed away suddenly on January 1, 2022 at the age of 76 after a lengthy illness. Richie brought tremendous courage and determination to every challenge he faced in life, and battling this illness was no different. Born and raised in the Bronx, NY he created many of his childhood memories there. He later built a life and raised a family in Shelton, CT. Richie was a veteran, having honorably served his country during active duty in Vietnam. When he returned, he had honed his skills as a plumber just like his father. Richie worked for many years at Rockies Maintenance as a plumber; he was proud to teach the skilled trade of plumbing to many, and helped build businesses along the way. Richie would retire to Ocala Florida, where swimming daily and spending time in the warm sun became his favorite pastimes. He loved being a Papa to his grandson Noah Miller. Richie was an easy-going man that everyone enjoyed being around. He loved watching wrestling and football with his family, spending the day fishing, and a good dinner with a cold beer. He was preceded in death by his wife, Diane (Yontef) Brien and his brother, Arthur Brien. Richie is survived by his nephews, Kevin, John, Arthur, Mathew and William Brien and nieces, Mary and Susan Brien and his beloved children Richard E. Brien and Melissa (Brien) Miller. A military memorial service will be held for him at a later date (est. Spring 2022).

Tribute Wall



“ *Richard "Richie" Brien*

November 08, 2022 at 07:37 PM



“ *Jimmy & Johanne lit a candle in memory of Richard "Richie" Brien*



Jimmy & Johanne - January 05, 2022 at 10:45 PM



“ *Jimmy lit a candle in memory of Richard "Richie" Brien*



Jimmy - January 05, 2022 at 10:38 PM



“ *Johanne lit a candle in memory of Richard "Richie" Brien*



johanne - January 05, 2022 at 10:36 PM

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“ 1 file added to the album Memories Album



Sarah Blair - January 05, 2022 at 09:49 PM

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“ Melissa Rogers lit a candle in memory of Richard "Richie" Brien



Melissa Rogers - January 05, 2022 at 08:10 PM



“ Richard Brien lit a candle in memory of Richard "Richie" Brien



Richard Brien - January 05, 2022 at 05:00 PM



“ 5 files added to the tribute wall



Richard Brien - January 05, 2022 at 04:59 PM



“ *Melissa lit a candle in memory of Richard "Richie" Brien*



Melissa - January 05, 2022 at 10:21 AM