



Richard Lee Borkowski

October 16, 1957 - August 9, 2017

Richard “Rick” Lee Borkowski, 59, of Crown Point, Indiana, passed away on Wednesday, August 9, 2017. Rick was born on October 16, 1957, in Marinette, Wisconsin, to William Borkowski and Shirley (Vanderbloomer) Borkowski.

Rick graduated from Coleman High School in 1975 where he was both a football player and wrestler. Long before his school days were over, Rick began working for his father’s plumbing business on weekends and summers. On October 25, 1975, Rick married Pamela Bieber. Through the years, Rick and Pam had three lovely children: Jamie, Jodie, and Jared.

In 1988, Rick moved his family to Northwest Indiana from Pound, Wisconsin, to attend Bible college. His deep-rooted love for God extended to many various ministries throughout the years. Rick worked on bus routes bringing many inner-city children to church each Sunday. Rick also served the Lord each week with other men of his church by holding services at city jails and state prisons. Most recently, Rick taught a teenage boys Sunday school class. While the group of people to whom he ministered changed throughout the years, one thing never changed—his love for people.

For over 20 years Rick has been the owner of Borkowski Plumbing, primarily servicing new homes in Northwest Indiana and south Chicagoland. Rick worked daily with his son, Jared, and employed his grandsons during the summer—teaching a fourth generation of plumbers.

Rick could be described in a few simple words: he was a man with a heart of gold. If he knew you were in need, he would give the shirt off his back to help. Some of Rick’s favorite things to do in life included teasing his grandchildren, taking trips to Hawaii, whistling as he walked, talking to other contractors, going out to eat, and walking around the Lake County Fair.

Rick was preceded in death by his father, William, only two months ago. Rick is survived

by his wife, Pamela, and their three children: Jamie (Brian) Hasse, Jodie Borkowski (Travis Evans), and Jared (Rachel) Borkowski. Rick and Pam have 8 grandchildren: Troy Hasse, Jace Borkowski-Caldwell, Trevor Hasse, Trinity Hasse, Reagan Borkowski, Brit Borkowski, Beau Evans, and Reese Borkowski.

A viewing will be held on Sunday, August 13, 2017 from 4:00 - 6:00 p.m. at the Memory Lane Funeral Home, 6305 W. Lincoln Highway (US 30), Crown Point, Indiana. The funeral service will be on Monday, August 14, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. at Memory Lane Funeral Home. Burial will immediately follow the service.

You may leave a condolence and order flowers on the funeral home website: www.memorylanepark.com Please call the office for further information at (219) 322-2050.

Cemetery Details

Memory Lane Memorial Park

6305 W. Lincoln Highway (US 30)
Crown Point, IN 46307
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info.memorylanepark@gmail.com
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Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 13. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

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Service

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Burial

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Tribute Wall



“ *Memory Lane Memorial Park & Funeral Chapel created a Tribute Video in memory of Richard Lee Borkowski*



Memory Lane Memorial Park & Funeral Home - September 16, 2017 at 02:36 PM

CS

“ *Ricky and I went to school together. He was a great friend! Wish I would have seen him at our last class reunion. My prayers go out to his family and friends.*

Carla Seefeldt-Sullins

Carla Sullins - August 15, 2017 at 01:03 PM

AL

“ *Was just having a conversation with you 2 Fridays ago about somebody we both knew. It was always a pleasure talking to you. RIP Rick.....my condolences to Jarrod and the rest of your family.*

Allen - August 13, 2017 at 08:43 PM

CA

“ *Saddened to hear of the loss of Rick. He was tender and caring. Cousin Carolyn*



Carolyn - August 13, 2017 at 06:52 PM



“ *Pretty Please was purchased for the family of Richard Lee Borkowski.*



August 12, 2017 at 11:40 AM

MM

“ So sad to hear of Rick's passing. I have many happy memories with Rick as we were growing up together. Our homes were separated by a couple of miles of woods and swamp. I walked a road to a railroad track to the river, and we ice-skated on the river that skirted his family home. We hunted in Wyoming with our fathers. We rode bicycles to 2-a-day football practices before we could drive. Our families shared a swimming pool, so we spent summers together. And we worked at the Krueger/Krause lumber yard together. So many fun memories. I will remember Rick always as a great friend with a huge heart. He is now with his father and mine. I miss him already.

Mike Murphy - August 12, 2017 at 10:29 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Richard Lee Borkowski.



August 12, 2017 at 09:25 AM

HF

“ So sorry for your loss. Rick was a classmate of mine--in fact we were homecoming king and queen one year. He didn't make it up to Coleman for this last reunion, but still managed to message a few of us. Condolences to the family.

Holly (Duescher) Ford - August 12, 2017 at 09:22 AM

CL

So very sorry for your loss. Some times it's hard to remember that God is still there. Even when we have a hard time finding him he is already holding us in his hand. Love to your family from Dick and Corine

Corine K Larson - August 14, 2017 at 06:51 PM

KB

My deepest sympathy to the whole family. Ricks dad and my husband who passed away in January were first cousins. It is so hard to accept but God has ways to ease the loss. He was a nice man and will be missed. Karon (Dale) Borkowski

Karon Borkowski - August 16, 2017 at 10:38 PM

BB

“ *Bernie, Jack, Nick & Jennifer (Nardo Builders) purchased the Memories to Treasure for the family of Richard Lee Borkowski.*



Bernie, Jack, Nick & Jennifer (Nardo Builders) - August 12, 2017 at 08:44 AM



“ *Heavenly Grace Spray was purchased for the family of Richard Lee Borkowski.*



August 12, 2017 at 01:05 AM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Richard Lee Borkowski.*



August 11, 2017 at 09:58 PM

DE

“ *We are so very sorry for the grief you and the family is suffering. Our love and prayers are with you. Gordy and Lin*

deMeritt - August 11, 2017 at 07:38 PM



“ *Amazing Arboricola was purchased for the family of Richard Lee Borkowski.*



August 11, 2017 at 06:23 PM



“ *Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Richard Lee Borkowski.*



August 11, 2017 at 04:39 PM

AV

“ *I am so terribly sorry to hear of your dad's death, Jamie, and want you to know I have been praying for all of you. Ann Vaughn*

ann vaughn - August 11, 2017 at 02:10 PM



“ *Sweet Sincerity was purchased for the family of Richard Lee Borkowski.*



August 11, 2017 at 01:58 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Richard Lee Borkowski.*



August 11, 2017 at 01:29 PM

JS

“ *John, Lynn, and Caleb Swartzlander purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Richard Lee Borkowski.*



John, Lynn, and Caleb Swartzlander - August 11, 2017 at 11:59 AM



“ *Rainbow Of Remembrance Spray was purchased for the family of Richard Lee Borkowski.*



August 11, 2017 at 11:54 AM

MW

“ *Our deepest sympathies to you all. We will keep you in our prayers. Rick will be sadly missed.*

Mark, Holly, & Taylor White - August 11, 2017 at 10:57 AM

MT

Mark, Holly, & Taylor

Mark Holly Taylor - August 11, 2017 at 11:01 AM



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Richard Lee Borkowski.*



August 11, 2017 at 10:05 AM

WK

“ *Our deepest sympathy Shirley to you and your family. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all. Wayne and Bonnie Korpi*

Wayne and Bonnie Korpi - August 11, 2017 at 09:40 AM



“ *Loving Lilies and Roses Bouquet was purchased for the family of Richard Lee Borkowski.*



August 11, 2017 at 09:39 AM

MV

“ *Mt Carmel Regular Baptist Church Family Luray VA purchased the Lily and Rose Tribute Spray for the family of Richard Lee Borkowski.*



Mt Carmel Regular Baptist Church Family Luray VA - August 11, 2017 at 08:16 AM



“ *Peace Eternal Wreath was purchased for the family of Richard Lee Borkowski.*



August 11, 2017 at 12:19 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Richard Lee Borkowski.*



August 10, 2017 at 09:57 PM

SD

“ *Words are so incredibly difficult to express during this time. Rick could be the annoying little brother when I was in high school, but also a funny guy. May peace be his, but even more to those left behind who loved him and who he loved. Praying and much love to you all.*

Shelly Rysewyk Dorshorst - August 10, 2017 at 09:41 PM



“ *Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Richard Lee Borkowski.*



August 10, 2017 at 09:17 PM

MM

“ MARK MATCHETT purchased the *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* for the family of Richard Lee Borkowski.



MARK MATCHETT - August 10, 2017 at 09:09 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Richard Lee Borkowski.



August 10, 2017 at 08:52 PM

LT

“ Pam, I am very sorry to hear of Rick's passing. Lindy Tachick

Lindy Tachick - August 10, 2017 at 08:51 PM

AC

“ Becky and I are so sorry for your loss, and will pray for you.

Andy Caviness - August 10, 2017 at 08:05 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Richard Lee Borkowski.



August 10, 2017 at 05:53 PM