



Richard Vivio

November 16, 1952 - September 19, 2024

VULCAN – Richard “Rick” Vivio age 71 of Vulcan, died Thursday, September 19, 2024 at Evergreen Meadows Assisted Living in Norway, after his battle with cancer.

He was born on November 16, 1952 in Norway, the son of the late Clarence and Rita Vivio.

Rick spent his early years working on his grandfather and grandmother Harvey’s farm, eventually taking over operations. As a high school student, Rick bought a 1969 Roadrunner, identified by the rear window sticker “Sniper 10”. He joined the local car club that would showcase some of the top vehicles in the area.

Following his graduation from Norway High School in 1971, Rick was employed at Specialty Granules (formerly known as GAF Corporation) and often spoke highly of his coworkers there.

Rick then went onto study mechanics at a skill center in Marquette and was employed at UPS as the mechanic for that terminal.

He later relocated to the Iron Mountain UPS terminal and moved to the farm in Vulcan.

Following his employment with UPS, he drove truck for several different companies and then returned to Specialty Granules, until he finally retired back to the farm with his son and grandchildren.

Rick enjoyed working with, as well as showing, his animals at the fair. Following in his grandfather Harvey’s footsteps, he had teams of ponies and workhorses and attended pulling contests at different locations throughout the U.P. and Wisconsin. He instilled that same love of the farm and animals in his daughter, son and grandchildren. He would also assist 4-H youth with showing animals for auction.

Rick is survived by his daughter Carrie (Shawn) Thill of Marquette; son Jacob Vivio of Vulcan; grandchildren Riley and Gage Vivio; siblings Ronald (Kathleen) Vivio of Norway, David (Sue) Vivio of Iron Mountain, Pamela (Jon) Schwamlien of Vulcan and Mark (Lavern) Vivio of Springfield, TN.

He was preceded in death by his parents Clarence and Rita Vivio; grandparents Walter and Elisabeth Vivio and Roy and Bernice Harvey.

The family would like to thank Evergreen Meadows for the compassionate care Rick received there. They also wish to thank friends and family that visited, or assisted in any way during Rick's illness.

Per Rick's wishes, there will be no services held. A celebration of life will be held at a later date.

Tribute Wall

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“ *Mary McCarthy-Bray lit a candle in memory of Richard Vivio*



Mary McCarthy-Bray - October 03, 2024 at 03:18 PM

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“ *Rick was my union steward when I started working fresh out of high school and he was a great mentor for me. He showed me the ropes and taught me how to man up in the workforce. He had a big personality and I think of him often. My sincere condolences to his family. Rest easy my union brother! Chris Clash*

Chris Clash - September 28, 2024 at 05:25 PM