



Richard "Rick" Cassiano

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Richard Dewayne Cassiano was born March 7, 1958 in Moses Lake, Washington to Joseph J. Cassiano Sr. and Marylou Smith. Richard passed away peacefully from ALS at the age of 59 in his home surrounded by his loving family.

Richard was one of five children. He was born and raised in Moses Lake and never found a reason to leave. His family was extremely important to him. No matter what he was doing it included his sister and two brothers. He always felt that living in Moses Lake was like being on vacation with so many things to do.

Richard had many jobs. In 1978 while working at U & I Sugar plant, he had an accident that left him with limited use of his left arm. The accident never stopped him from enjoying life. Richard last worked for Wal-Mart for over 20 years before retiring due to his ALS disease. No matter where Rick worked the employees enjoyed his great sense of humor and kindness. Richard also enjoyed volunteering for the Mrs. Washington America pageant for many years with his girlfriend Shelley.

Although he didn't follow it till later in his life, his passion was oil and acrylic painting. He enjoyed painting for family and friends. He had his first art show at the Porterhouse restaurant a couple of years ago and was looking forward to another one. He published cartoon comic strips for the BBCC Tumbleweed Times.

He really enjoyed outdoor sports; dirt bike riding in the sand dunes with his brothers and sister, riding his quad and boating. Halloween was his favorite non-holiday; he participated in the planning and orchestration of a Haunted House for several years. Rick was a true 12th man for the Seahawks. When the game started he was always decked out with full Seahawks attire; many times even his face and hair painted up flaunting the colors proudly. He had a thing for the newest electronics, when something new came out he was always one of the first to get all the latest electronics.

Richard is survived by his longtime girlfriend of 23 years Shelley Vanhooser-the Love of his Life. His mother Marylou Newcomb, daughter Chelsea Roth (Dustin) and two grandchildren Ryder Leroy Roth and Lucianna Marge Roth, sister Pamela Cassiano Curnel (David), two brothers, Joseph J. Cassiano Jr. (Janet) and John Cassiano (Lori). He is also survived by his nieces and nephews Joseph J. Cassiano (Mary), Melissa Curnel Pendleton, Evan Cassiano (Cree), Erin Suarez (Alvin) and many aunts, uncles, and cousins.

He is preceded in death by his father Joseph J. Cassiano Sr. and Sister Linda Cassiano.

Viewing is at 12:30 to 1:30 pm, Rosary 1:30 -2:00 pm and Mass 2:00. at Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church on January 2, 2018.

Please leave a memory for the family or sign their online guestbook at Kayser's Chapel of Memories. Arrangements are in care of Kayser's Chapel

of Memories.

Cemetery Details

Pioneer Memorial Gardens

14403 Rd. 2 Ne
Moses Lake, WA

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 2. 12:30 PM - 1:30 PM (PT)

Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church
200 N. Dale Road
Moses Lake, WA

Service

JAN 2. 1:30 PM (PT)

Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church (Holy Rosary)
200 North Dale Road
Moses Lake, WA

Service

JAN 2. 2:00 PM (PT)

Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church (Mass of Christian Burial)
200 N. Dale Rd
Moses Lake, WA

Tribute Wall

BL

“ *RIP Rick, i truly miss working with you at Wal Mart! Condolences to the Cassiano family!*

Bruce Literal - June 25, 2022 at 09:25 AM

JV

“ *Janice And John Voss lit a candle in memory of Richard "Rick" Cassiano*



Janice and John Voss - January 02, 2018 at 06:21 PM

DY

“ *Rick you are one person I could call my friend. We didn't hang out but we had our talks and laughter at work. I also enjoyed coming to work on Mondays and seeing the cartoon you drew for me on the weekends the Seahawks played, you always nailed it with Charlie Brown and Snoopy and what was the best play if the game. I will miss you my friend but I knew you are with the Lord and painting and drawing beautiful pictures for him. I will also know that when the Seahawks are playing you are on the sidelines with them. GO HAWKS.*

Debbie Yockey - January 02, 2018 at 01:47 PM

DY

“ *Debbie Yockey lit a candle in memory of Richard "Rick" Cassiano*



Debbie Yockey - January 02, 2018 at 01:36 PM



“ *Rick was like a brother to me for over 30 years. He always had the time for me. I will miss your talks and chats. I will always love you and miss you*

Nadine Svopa - December 31, 2017 at 09:23 PM

MH

“ *Margaret Hart lit a candle in memory of Richard "Rick" Cassiano*



Margaret Hart - December 30, 2017 at 10:51 PM

SN

“ *Rick and dl were pretty good friends back in the late 80's. Hard to believe that he is gone. Flawed like all of us in some small fraction of the puzzle pieces that make us whole...but more than balanced by all of the pieces that produced such a genuinely friendly, generous and artistically gifted person. I will always admire Rick.---*
Tom Hoole

snyder - December 30, 2017 at 03:11 PM

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snyder - December 30, 2017 at 03:03 PM

JS

“ Rick, I can't believe you're gone. We had so many memories together. My son even remembered when you and shelly picked us up and we went to the sand dunes. You and shelly accepted me as a friend the day I walked into Wal-Mart and it was a pleasure to work with you the 15 years I spent in moses lake. We've been through a lot and you was always there for me, even to pull me out of the snow. All though you hated my steelers you never hated me. You was there when I lost my best friend and now you are with her. Please tell Olga how much I miss her. I wished I could be there for Shelley right now but I'm thinking of her and holding her and your family in my prayers. I'll deeply miss you rick, you were one of a kind,

Jennifer Stephens - December 29, 2017 at 05:04 PM

CC

“ Christy Coates lit a candle in memory of Richard "Rick" Cassiano



Christy Coates - December 29, 2017 at 01:05 PM

JF

“ He was a great friend to Robert and James Dunn while we lived in Moses Lake. We grieve his passing and only wish we had been able to spend more time with him. My husband I did visit with him when we were in Moses lake the last time. He will be greatly missed. One of the good ones gone. Praying for the family. We love you Rick.



Jim and Eileen Maupin(the Dunn family) - December 28, 2017 at 08:04 PM

DH

“ Denise Hancock lit a candle in memory of Richard "Rick" Cassiano



Denise Hancock - December 28, 2017 at 03:29 PM

SH

“ I remember the beautiful mural Rick painted on the floor of Wal-Mart when we first opened. His talent was great. His smile was radiant to all around him He was a true Angel here on earth. prayers to Shelly and family members

sue hodges - December 28, 2017 at 03:23 PM