



Mr. Richard "Dicki" DePalma

February 22, 1946 - April 24, 2022

Richard died on April 24, 2022 in Pittsfield, Massachusetts. He was 76. Born February 22, 1946, Richard, "Dicki", was the second of four children to Carl & Lucille DePalma of Westport, CT. Richard was predeceased by his father Carl, mother Lucille and brothers William and Carl DePalma.

He is survived by his sister Patricia DePalma and her husband Hank Slesinski of Kennett Square, Pennsylvania, nephews: Ted Slesinski of Sewickly, PA, Scott Slesinski of Pittsburgh, PA, Jason DePalma of Humble, TX; nieces: Alyse Slesinski of Wilmington, DE, Diane Vullo of Cavandish, VT, Debra DePalma of Boston, MA, and numerous cousins and friends.

Richard attended Westport Public schools and graduated from Staples HS, where he was active in baseball and the HS choir. After high school graduation, Richard spent four years in the US Navy where and was stationed in and around Asia. After the Navy he resided in Easton, CT. He spent many years working for Southern New England Telephone Company. After an early retirement Richard moved to Florida. After realizing he wasn't ready to be idle, he worked for Sprint Cable of Florida. Missing the beauty, climate and hills of New England, Richard, headed back up north and built his dream home on 35 scenic acres in the Berkshires of Massachusetts.

Richard reveled in family, friends, and neighbors and was always there for

others. He had a patient and memorable spirit, an infectious laugh, and perpetual optimism. His generosity and energy will be remembered by all.

Funeral Notice:

A private memorial service with a Military sendoff will take place at Assumption Cemetery, in Westport, Connecticut at a later time. Please donate when you can and as much as you can, to the Dementia Society of America (dementiasociety.org).