



Richard Alan Geno

July 13, 1952 - April 25, 2013

Geno, Richard A. April 25, 2013 age 60 of Westland. Beloved husband of Glenda. Loving father of Richard Gregory Geno and Michelle (Ben Durtka) Geno. Proud grandpa of Eldin, Eternity, Mackenzie, Essence, Wesley and Glenda. Dear brother of Diane (Bill) Wallish and Philip (Kim) Geno. Visitation Sunday 3-8 PM at Vermeulen Funeral Home, 980 N. Newburgh Rd. (between Ford and Cherry Hill) Westland. Funeral Monday 11 AM at Connection Church, 3855 S. Sheldon Rd., (north of Michigan Ave.) Canton, MI 48188. Memorials may be made to the church. To share a memory, please use the View and Send Condolences tab on this web page.

Tribute Wall



“ *Richard Alan Geno*

December 07, 2023 at 05:11 AM



“ *Richard was a good friend through high school. Haven't seen him since then. Marriage right out of school and moving broke a lot of childhood friendships. But through friends and acquaintances, I kind of kept up. I was sorry to read about his passing. I will see him again. Though not in this life. May those he has left behind that they, too, will see him again and find comfort in that. The Lord Jesus be with you all.*

Vicki Lyons Reyes - December 12, 2014 at 10:12 AM



“ *Dear Glenda, Sorry to hear of Richards passing. My condolences to you and your family.*

Daniel Carter - December 12, 2014 at 10:12 AM



“ *I echo all of the positive comments and thoughts from my 1971GHHS classmates regarding Rich. He was a special guy. I am so sorry for your loss.*

Linda Vivian Pulling - December 12, 2014 at 10:12 AM

DM

“ *Richard was not just my cousin. Often he would be more of a big brother, but always he was my friend and I am grateful he was part of my family and blessed he was a part of my childhood. We attended junior and senior high school together and classmates, not realizing we were related, often wondered why we just didn't date and get it over with! Rich had a wicked sense of humor and such a wonderful laugh. Our adult lives were separated by many miles and I will always cherish that June day in 2002 when my Geno cousins, with their spouses, and I spent an afternoon together. It is beyond my ken to understand how he can be so suddenly gone and like many others I am not ready to begin this journey of farewell with him; however, death is not the end nor does it break the bonds formed in life. Rich's life has only changed and for that we can sing Alleluia.*

Deborah Maciejewski - December 12, 2014 at 10:12 AM

RH

“ *I was deeply saddened to hear of Richard's passing. We worked closely together at Chrysler Driveline Engineering for many years. He impressed me with his quiet tenacity and understated intelligence. Both of us attended Michigan Tech and shared a common love for the Upper Peninsula. I particularly remember him telling me of his fishing trips to Otter Lake in the Keweenaw Peninsula with his then young son. Indeed a very special place. Richard won the respect of all who knew him. I offer my condolences to his immediate family and friends. He will be missed. Randy Haikio Chrysler Corp. (retired)*

Randy Haikio - December 12, 2014 at 10:12 AM

ET

“ Dear family of Mr. Geno, I am truly sorry to hear of your great loss. I too have lost loved ones in death. My greatest comfort has come from God's word the Bible. When Jesus friend Lazarus died, he said these words to Lazarus sister Martha: "Your brother will rise." Martha said to him: "I know he will rise in the resurrection on the last day." Jesus said to her: I am the resurrection and the life. He that exercises faith in me, even though he dies, will come to life." (John 11:23-25) I am looking forward to the time when I am reunited with my loved ones right here on a paradise earth.-Psalms 37:10,11,29

Ebony Tilley - December 12, 2014 at 10:12 AM

MH

“ I remember Rich from elementary school. I had a crush on him in 2nd or 3rd grade at Ferry School. Then not-so-much sophomore year when he defeated me in the election for class president!! My sympathies to his family.

Marti Hendricks - December 12, 2014 at 10:12 AM

KH

“ I am so sorry for your loss. The grief of losing a loved one can be great, but God has given us a greater hope at John 5:28, 29. Take comfort in knowing that God always keeps his promises.

Karen Hall - December 12, 2014 at 10:12 AM

CS

“ Thoughts and prayers are with you. I was a classmate of Rich's at GHHS class of 71 he will be missed when we gather as a class this summer to celebrate all of us turning 60+.

Cathy (Den Braber) Slings - December 12, 2014 at 10:12 AM

GM

“ Please accept my deepest condolences for the loss of a dear husband, father, brother, and cousin. As a member of the Grand Haven High School class of 1971, I remember how talented, intelligent, confident, and witty Rich always was. His easy-going attitude and penchant for stealing the spotlight was never more evident than when he was on stage playing the lead in a series of high school plays. I'll never forget my first "Richard" experience. Richard and his girlfriend were supposed to take me and his cousin, Deborah Carter, home for the GHHS school play "Of Thee I Sing". (Richard played the lead role.) As the new guy in high school from Idaho, I knew few people and Rich was trying to "hook up" me and Deborah. We parked and drove around for 3 hours after the play in his Chevy Nova with me in the back seat with Deborah. When I got home, my folks grounded me for life but I did eventually marry Deborah and have a fine family with her. Rich was always envied for his ability to define and achieve the goals he set. I was not a close relative, more a periphery one. But Rich's dynamic and strong presence always impressed me. I remember Rich's last visit with his family out here in Sacramento. We were talking about our jobs and Rich said he envied me for my being able to work alone and independently as a field engineer. I was stunned as I thought he was the lucky one with his position and power at Chrysler. I never forgot those words from a man I respected and admired. My heart goes out to all those friends and family who have lost a wonderful man and a fine human being. He has departed this earth far too early and leaves a deep empty sad space in the hearts of all those he encountered. Again, my deepest sympathy to all for our loss. -
Gordon Maciejewski

Gordon Maciejewski - December 12, 2014 at 10:12 AM

CB

“ I am so sorry for your loss carol

carol Baker - December 12, 2014 at 10:12 AM

BK

“ To all of Rich's family and friends: I went to Grand Haven High School with Rich and remember him as very kind and very smart. I was shocked and saddened to hear of his death. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family during this terribly difficult time.

Betsy Fortino Kleist - December 12, 2014 at 10:12 AM

CZ

“ Glenda, wanted you to knw you and your family are in our thoughts and prayers. So sorry to hear you lost your husband. You are a "special" lady and my heart goes out to you. Please let me know if I can do anything for you!

Carol Zimnie - December 12, 2014 at 10:12 AM

PL

“ Sad to hear the loss of another classmate - my thoughts are with his family.

Paula Wilkinson Levy - December 12, 2014 at 10:12 AM

SL

“ I would like to share my condolences (along with my parents who are out of the state for the next two weeks). Commander Geno was a great man, and one of the great Ranger commanders. He really pushed me to be my best. He played a major role in my early years of being a teenager. He will be greatly missed.

Scott Laurain - December 12, 2014 at 10:12 AM

JB

“ Praying for you, Glenda and your whole family.
Please know all of your friends are surrounding you with love and prayer.
You are so special, and we so appreciate all you both have done for so many people!
I remember meeting Rich when you were both serving for the newcomers!
What a blessing to see you both serving together. Our hearts go out to you as you miss not only
A wonderful husband, but your friend!

We will be praying for all of you

Jim and Debbie Bickham - December 12, 2014 at 10:12 AM

DW

“ My deepest condolences to the Geno family. I remember Rich very well and enjoyed serving with him in Royal Rangers. I pray that God will send you peace and strength during this difficult time. Always remember, that there is a "Hand On Your Shoulder" during this time of sadness. "the arm that holds you through the night, will guide you into the light". God Bless

Dave Whitaker - December 12, 2014 at 10:12 AM

GR

“ Dear Glenda; What a terrible shock. Rich served Royal rangers with distinction and honor. Our condolences to you and family.

Great Lakes Region Royal Rangers - December 12, 2014 at 10:12 AM