



Richard J. Akkerman

September 8, 1944 - April 14, 2015

PORT SANILAC- Richard J. Akkerman, age 70, a resident of Port Sanilac passed away on Tuesday, April 14, 2015 at the United Hospice Residence in Marlette.

He was born on September 8, 1944 in Detroit, the son of Betty Akkerman. Richard proudly served his country in the U.S. Army during the Vietnam War.

Rick married Susan M. Helegda on May 5, 1979 in Birmingham, MI.

Rick was a licensed contractor and enjoyed his career in construction and lately he has been a bus driver for Sanilac Transportation. He was also a member of St. Marys Catholic Church in Port Sanilac, Port Sanilac V.F.W. Post #8872, and a past member of the Port Sanilac Lions Club.

He is survived by his wife Susan M. Akkerman of Port Sanilac, his mother Betty Casanovas of Port Sanilac, two sons Dalton (Robin) Akkerman of Raleigh, NC, and Karl Akkerman of Port Sanilac, a grandson Nicklas Akkerman; several brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law and many nieces and nephews.

Richard was preceded in death by his step father Joseph H. Casanovas on January 17, 2012.

Visitation will be from 2-8 on Thursday at the Pomeroy Funeral Home in Carsonville.

Funeral Mass 11 AM Friday at Ave Maria Parish- St. Marys Catholic Church in Port Sanilac, with visiting from 10-11 at the church. Fr. Donald J. Eppenbrock will officiate. Interment with military rites will immediately follow at the Port

Sanilac Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the United Hospice, or to the Port Sanilac V.F.W.

Tribute Wall

CP

“ We send our deepest sympathy to you, Susan and family. Chuck & Mary Ann

Chuck & Mary Ann Pehovic - April 21, 2015 at 02:18 PM

DM

“ Dear Susan, We are so sorry to hear about Rick. Know that he is in our prayers along with you and your family. Be consoled that your Dear Mother and Father have welcomed him Home.

David & Joann McGuire - April 18, 2015 at 12:46 AM

JS

“ For Susan, Karl, and Dalton, we are so sorry for the loss of Rick. May he rest in peace. We are praying for your family at this difficult time. Love from Julia Shiner and family

Julia Shiner - April 15, 2015 at 09:07 PM

PH

“ Susan, I so wish I could be there with you. Rick was loved by all of us and He'll be missed very much! R.I.P. And God Bless Hero! Love Patty

Patty Helegda-Searle - April 15, 2015 at 08:52 PM

MS

“ Dear Susan and family...I am sorry for your loss. Rick was a hero and a great man. I have fond memories of getting to know him when we all met together in Fairhope. My heart goes out to you all.

Matthew J. Barnes, Sr. - April 15, 2015 at 08:49 PM

CE

“ Dear Susan, We are so sorry for your loss of Rick. We love you and we are praying for your family. We wish we could come to show you our support. All of our love, Chet and Carol Engle

Carol and Chester Engle - April 15, 2015 at 06:24 PM

FE

“ My sympathy and prayers to the Ackerman Family in the loss of their loved one Richard. I pray and say as we have been doing now for centuries: "Eternal rest give to him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine on him. May he rest in peace! May his soul and all the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace." Sincerely, Fr. Donald J. Eppenbrock RC-Priest & Sacramental Priest of Ave Maria Parish, St. Mary Church. Peachtree Estates, 5778 Main St., #1, PO #202, Lexington, MI 48450-0202

Fr. Donald J. Eppenbrock - April 15, 2015 at 06:47 AM