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EUGENE RICHARD "DICK" SIMS

28 days ago

Eugene Richard "Dick" Sims, 74, passed away surrounded by family on June 4, 2016 at Florida Hospital at Connerton following a courageous battle with cancer.

He was preceded in death by his sons, Eugene Richard "Rick" Sims Jr. and Kenneth Charles "KC" Sims; his sister, Gail & nephew, Richard Thomas "Dick" Comanzo.

He leaves behind his daughter, Mary Killian; his son, John

Sims (wife, Katie); his sister, Beth Alford; brother-in-law, Ralph Comanzo; and Sandy Sims, mother of John, stepmother to Rick, KC and Mary; granddaughters, Samantha Gallagher, Kara Shuffitt, and Molly Sims; grandson and "Main Man" John Michael Sims Jr.; great-grandson Aiden Michael Gallagher and 3 nieces and 3 nephews. He will also be missed by his loving friend and companion, Sarah Chapman.

Born and raised in Schenectady, NY; son of Eugene (Fire Chief) and Margaret Sims. He spent much of his youth on the little league fields built by his father. He was drafted by the New York Yankees right out of high school.

Dick was a proud member of the Edison Club in Rexford, NY.

After his professional career, he relocated to Florida and quickly rose thru the ranks to become the National Sales Director of several prominent golf resorts.

An avid golfer, he spent many weekends playing with an incredible group of friends at Lexington Oaks Country Club.

A Mass will be held to celebrate his life at St. Mark's Catholic Church (9724 Cross Creek Blvd, Tampa, FL) at 1:00 pm on Saturday, July 16, 2016. Reception to be held at Saddlebrook Golf Resort in the Pegasus South room (5700 Saddlebrook Way, Wesley Chapel, FL) following at 3:00 pm. The JillTed Florist: 727-461-9055.

Donations can be made to Hospice, in his memory.

12 COMMENTS



MARY ANN (SIMS) TOTE July
6, 2016

To Dick's Family...You have my deepest sympathy. Many thoughts & prayers are being sent your way. Dick and I haven't seen or talked in a few years but I have wonderful childhood memories of spending fun times with my cousins. He had such a large and fun personality...always the life of the party. The last time I saw him and his sister, Beth, was when Gail passed away and I found he could still make me laugh and totally enjoy his company. He's resting with angels now. Take care and know I'm thinking of all of you.

Reply



MARY
MARGARET
July 7,
2016

Mary Ann,
you are
something
special! We
can't thank
you enough
for your
words and
wish we
could only

be there in
those
memories
with dad.
Thank you
for your
prayers and
support. Its
the love,
prayers and
the laughter
that holds
us up right
now. God
Bless you
and family -
know that
you'll
always be
forever in
our hearts,
especially in
our prayers.
Thank you,
thank you,
thank you.
You're one
special lady.

Reply



KAREN SALYER July 6, 2016

Gone but never forgotten! We
love you, Uncle Dick!

Reply



MARY
MARGARET

July 7,
2016

Karen, I
don't have
words for
you right
now, just
can't wait to
HUG ya! I
miss ya
terrible and
yes, once
again we
meet up for
...ya, all that.
Can't wait to
see you and
see that
smile &
laughter I
adore!

Reply



STACEY GREENBERG July 7,
2016

My sincerest condolences to
family and friends. I'm blessed to
have known and worked with
such a fun loving person. Dick
Sims you will be missed by
many. Until we meet again....

Reply



MARY SIMS

July 7,
2016

Thank you
Stacey. I'm
so
glad/grateful
you worked
with him. He
LOVED his
work but
especially
those he
worked
with! It
means so
much to all
of us that
you feel that
way about
him. God
bless you
and your
family.
Thank you
again for
taking the
time to
share and
I'm sorry
you're
missing a
good friend.

Reply

MARLYN MOORE July 7, 2016



I remember Dick from when I worked at Saddlebrook. So sorry to hear of his passing –

Reply



JIM & MICHELLE DAVIS July 7, 2016

Praying for peace in your hearts. May you look forward to a reunion one day at the Pearly gates of Heaven with our Father as God has promised. Celebrate his life with happy memories.

Reply



MARY SIMS July 7, 2016

Thank you Marlyn! You're a sweetie! I'm glad you got to know him. We are so grateful for those who put up with him at work, ha...I just bet he was a handful! Take care, and thank you!!!!

Reply



BILL July 9, 2016

My condolences to the family
Dick will be missed especially from September February will miss our weekly conversation

Reply

SUSAN PHILLIPS BOZOSI
July 10, 2016



I worked with Dick in the late 80's, great spirit and wit.

[Reply](#)



DENISE CONTI July 16, 2016

To all of Dick's family, I send my heartfelt condolences. I wish I lived closer to be there to celebrate his life. He was one of a kind. I will miss him forever and until we meet again, may the good Lord hold you in the palm of His hand 💔

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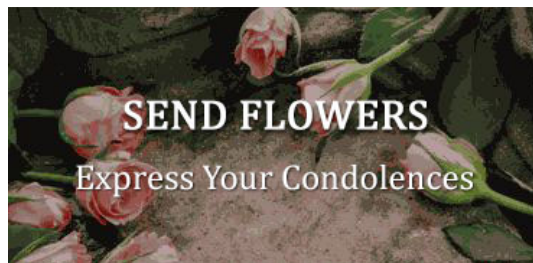
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Very good service employees that work with commodities such as people that come from all over the world.

Johnny

