



Richard R. Zaleski

May 26, 1951 - May 21, 2024

Richard R. Zaleski, age 72, of Mentor, passed away Tuesday, May 21, 2024 at The Heights Rehabilitation & Healthcare Center, Broadview Heights, OH. He was born May 26, 1951 in Cleveland.

Richard was a paint chemist for Kalcor and previously Continental Products where he was head chemist. He loved inventing new products and talking your ears off about chemical reactions and about how he fixed paint formulas to work for his clients.

He has been a member of St. John Vianney since 1981 and has never wavered in his faith. Rich enjoyed taking trips to Amish country and having his Saturday and Sunday morning coffee with Linda. Watching movies, like Top Gun and Gettysburg, shooting his guns at the range, enjoying a good Snickers bar and eating at Eddie's Grill were some of his passions. Anyone who knew Richard knew that his real passion was spending time with his children, grandchildren and grandpups. His face lit up anytime he saw them and would do anything to make them happy. Rich was a loyal husband and sacrificed many things for his family throughout his life.

Survivors include his wife of 49 years: Linda A. Zaleski; children: Richard M. "Rick" Zaleski, Kathryn "Kathy" (Kevin) Stockmaster and Jennifer (Mike) Dimagard; grandchildren: Ava, Cole, Analeigh, Lucy and Winnie; Twin-brother:

Robert (Martha) Zaleski and grand dogs: Izzy, Nell, Lemon, Mickey, Reeseey and Frankie.

Preceding Richard in death are his parents: Anthony and Margaret Zaleski.

The family will receive friends from 4:00 – 7:00 pm Tuesday, June 4, 2024 at Brunner Sanden Deitrick Funeral Home & Cremation Center, 8466 Mentor Ave. Mentor, OH 44060.

A funeral mass will be held at 9:30 am Wednesday, June 5, 2024 at St John Vianney Church, 7575 Bellflower Rd. Mentor, OH. 44060. Please meet at the church.

Inurnment will be held in Mentor Cemetery, Mentor.

The family request contributions be made to International Pemphigus & Pemphigoid Foundation (IPPF), 915 Highland Pointe Drive Suite 250, Roseville, CA, 95678 or info@pemphigus.org

Offer condolences at www.brunner.com

Cemetery Details

Mentor Cemetery

6881 Hopkins Rd.
Mentor, OH 44060

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 4. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Brunner Sanden Deitrick Funeral Home & Cremation Center
8466 Mentor Avenue
Mentor, OH 44060
(440) 255-3401
ajs@brunners.com
<https://www.brunners.com/>

Funeral Mass

JUN 5. 9:30 AM (ET)

St. John Vianney Catholic Church
7575 Bellflower Road
Mentor, OH 44060
(440) 255-0600

Tribute Wall

GP

“ *Gian P. purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Richard R. Zaleski.*



Gian P. - June 04, 2024 at 08:17 AM

TF

“ *The Nicoletti Family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Richard R. Zaleski.*



The Nicoletti Family - June 03, 2024 at 09:09 PM

VS

“ *Vaughn and Darlene Stitt purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Richard R. Zaleski.*



Vaughn and Darlene Stitt - June 03, 2024 at 12:13 PM

VS

“ *Vaughn and Darlene Stitt planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Richard R. Zaleski.*

Vaughn and Darlene Stitt - June 03, 2024 at 12:13 PM

VS

“ I had the opportunity to work with Richie and Linda years ago at the Hut. Richie had an infectious laugh. I always enjoyed hearing about his guns and the chemistry in working with paints. Such a pleasure to have known such a wonderful, wonderful person. Take care my friend. Our condolences to Linda and family.

Vaughn Stitt - June 03, 2024 at 12:04 PM

MK

“ Richie was absolutely one of the good guys, a real character and a wonderful human being

mark kindler - June 01, 2024 at 12:37 AM

RZ

“ Our sincere condolences to Richard's wife and family. We learned to know Richard and his wife through Kevin, nephew and cousin. We will be unable to attend the service; however, our thoughts and prayers will be with you. God bless! The family of Regina Zornes

regina Zornes - May 27, 2024 at 06:03 PM

KS

Thank you Gina. We appreciate it.

Kathy Stockmaster - May 27, 2024 at 10:19 PM



“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Richard R. Zaleski.



May 25, 2024 at 04:52 PM

MH

“ Mary H. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Richard R. Zaleski.

Mary H. - May 25, 2024 at 04:52 PM

PH

“ At Continental we all called him Richey. I had the pleasure to work with him over 5 years. We built a friendship that outlasted my time at that paint company. We keep in touch and he had me remodel his bathroom (with Linda's guidance of course) for them. This planet lost a real good man. My condolences to the whole family and anyone who had a chance to meet Richey. Rest in peace my friend, rest in peace.

Paul Horvath - May 24, 2024 at 03:01 PM

RZ

Thank you Paul you've done a lot for my family and my dad talked about you a lot.

Rick Zaleski - May 24, 2024 at 06:04 PM