



Richard A. Hamsa

November 1, 1957 - December 1, 2014

Richard A. “Rick” Hamsa was born November 1, 1957 in Omaha, Nebraska to Donald and Mary Ann (Marushak) Hamsa. Rick grew up in Omaha, where he attended Springville Elementary School, and graduated from Northwest High School in 1976. As a young boy, Rick enjoyed hunting and fishing, and racing and building muscle cars.

Rick married Kim Sortino in Omaha, Nebraska, and was blessed with his first daughter, Traci. Rick later married his second wife, Mary Lynne Prazan in Omaha, and was graced with two children; Nick and Jamie. Rick and his family made their home in Omaha, where Rick has worked as the Manager at Inter-Tech auto body shop at their Elkhorn location.

Rick was an avid Husker fan, who enjoyed listening to country music, Jimmy Buffet, and the Eagles, especially “Peaceful Easy Feeling”. He appreciated a good burger, and dinner out at Firebirds. He was content drinking scotch and smoking a cigar, often letting everyone know by saying, “I’m going to have me a C-gar”. He could often be heard muttering, “Jesus, Rick” when messing up on the golf course, or another favorite “Rick-ism”, “Pretty on the left. Pretty on the right. So pretty I can’t sleep at night.” Rick was a decorated golfer, whose teams won a number of titles at the Oldsmobile Scramble in Florida. He enjoyed trips to Mexico, and was excited to be planning his wedding to Sue in Mexico. But above all else, Rick LOVED getting together with his family.

Family was most important in Rick’s life, and he cherished being a father and grandfather. He will be remembered as a happy, loving, strong, caring,

generous man, who was always the center of attention. People loved being around him, and he was always the guy with something funny to say. He was very loving and caring, and would drop everything if you ever needed him. He was the sweetest person around, and was always happy, super funny, positive, and never short for words. The simple things in life made him happy. Rick passed away suddenly on Monday, December 1, 2014 at the Lakeside Hospital in Omaha. He was preceded in death by his father Don Hamsa. Rick is survived by his mother Mary Ann, and husband Ron Moore, fiancée' Sue Mason, children: Traci (Andy) Mallory, Nick Hamsa, and Jamie Hamsa, step children: Shawn Mason, Cody (Jennifer) Mason, grandchildren: Jake, Sidney, and Summer, siblings: Sue Hamsa, Mike (Kelly) Hamsa, Julie (Jack) Greer, Lori (Scott) Bliven, Karen (Eric) Kanitz, and many nieces and nephews.

Richard A. "Rick" Hamsa, age 57, of Omaha, died 12/1/14. Preceded in death by father Don Hamsa. Survived by mother Mary Ann, and husband Ron Moore, fiancée' Sue Mason, children: Traci (Andy) Mallory, Nick Hamsa, and Jamie Hamsa, step children: Shawn Mason, Cody (Jennifer) Mason, grandchildren: Jake, Sidney, and Summer, siblings: Sue Hamsa, Mike (Kelly) Hamsa, Julie (Jack) Greer, Lori (Scott) Bliven, Karen (Eric) Kanitz, and many nieces and nephews.

Memorial service 11 AM Saturday at the funeral home in Elkhorn, followed by inurnment at Prospect Hill Cemetery, Elkhorn. No visitation. Memorials to the family.

Tribute Wall



“ *Richard A. Hamsa*

December 10, 2022 at 09:12 AM



“ *Mary Ann and family, so sorry to hear about Rick. Fond memories of all when visiting A June.*

Debbie (Bredensteiner) Maher - December 06, 2014 at 02:07 PM



“ *We are so sorry for your loss. Rick was a good man, who loved his family very much. He left way too soon and will be missed. Jim & Melody Jewell*

Jim & Melody Jewell - December 06, 2014 at 10:07 AM



“ *To the Hamsa family*

So sad to hear of Rick's passing. I had a flash memory of a group of Panther parents sitting around the table in Daytona Beach enjoying the wait till the next football game. I am glad I got to know Rick

Dave Homer

Dave Homer - December 06, 2014 at 07:48 AM

LH

“ My heartfelt sympathies to Mary Ann, Sue, Mike, Julie, Lori, and Karen, Rick's fiancÃ© and children and extended family. It's obvious how much he was loved by so many, and how he will be missed dearly. It seems terribly unfair that Rick has left this earth way too soon. He has certainly left his family with some beautiful memories. And it is my hope and wish for all of you that you may take at least some small comfort in knowing he lived life the way it was meant to be lived. Happy. Having fun. Making people laugh. Surrounded by loving family and friends. Enjoying the good life. Being a loving, wonderful son, brother, uncle, grandpa, dad, fiancÃ©, friend. It was such a genuine pleasure knowing Rick. That twinkle in his eye, and a big grin. That's how I will remember him. All my love and prayers,

Lori Haucke - December 06, 2014 at 12:32 AM

BM

“ *Susie and the Hamsa family:*
Rick was such a good friend to me. I have so many fond memories of our conversations. I will miss him. My thoughts and prayers are with all of you.

Bill Mayhan - December 05, 2014 at 07:25 PM

KW

“ *Our family sends our sympathy to all of you and you are in our prayers.*
Kathy Witt

Kathy & Will Witt - December 05, 2014 at 04:49 PM

DD

“ Dear Mary Ann and Family,

Please accept my sympathy, thoughts and prayers at the loss of your son.

I never met Rick but my memories of his Mother and Dad would lead me to wish I could have have known him.

Mary Ann I know you are a strong person and will cope.

Don Dworak

Don Dworak - December 05, 2014 at 04:05 PM

RM

“ To the Hamsa Family, Please know that the Seevers Family is keeping you in our thoughts and prayers. We are all very sorry for your loss. Mark, Robin, Kim, Tony & Lisa.

Robin (Seevers) Mauch - December 05, 2014 at 02:59 PM

RM

“ To the Hamsa Family, Please know that the Seevers Family is keeping you in our thoughts and prayers. We are all very sorry for your loss. Mark, Robin, Kim, Tony & Lisa.

Robin (Seevers) Mauch - December 05, 2014 at 02:58 PM

CB

“ *MaryAnn and family:
Sorry to hear about Rick. Our thoughts and
prayers are with all of you.*

*Effie Bredensteiner
Deb Maher
Mike Bredensteiner
Kathy Athen
Carolyn Badberg*

Carolyn Bredensteiner Badberg - December 05, 2014 at 09:30 AM

TF

“ *To the Hamsa Family:
We're so sorry for your loss. Rick was an incredible person and a
friend to everyone. Rick made a great impression on our son Jake
and he feels honored to have had him as a boss and will miss him.
Heaven became a brighter place.
May you have peace and comfort knowing how special Rick was to
so many.*

Jake, Jim and Jane Spaulding

The Spaulding Family - December 05, 2014 at 09:20 AM

AL

“ *Friend Rick, gonna miss you. Hit em straight in heaven, I know you
will. To the family, my condolences but rest assured that Rick had a
positive and unforgettable impact on many lives, God be with you.*

Alan Lamb - December 04, 2014 at 11:05 PM

LE

“ Our deepest condolences to the Hamsa family. You're all in our thoughts and prayers.

Lana Meyer & Steve Ellis - December 04, 2014 at 10:55 PM

JF

“ My heartfelt condolences to the Hamsa family. My memories of the days @ Nathan Hale & Country Club pool are some of my fondest memories of childhood. Your family of 6 children was known to everyone in the neighborhood and your "smiles" just as memorable. Wishing you all peace and comfort in the times ahead as you reflect on a life shortened but lived well. Rest in peace Rick.

Julie (Novak) Fox - December 04, 2014 at 04:04 PM

AS

“ So very sorry with deepest sympathy
Prayers Peace and Blessing to the Hamsa family.

Annie Harper Smollen - December 04, 2014 at 12:14 PM

TH

“ Susie and the Hamsa family: I am so sorry for your loss. I loved working with Rick! He was so kind and always made me laugh! I'm going to miss him so much! Please know you are all in my thoughts and prayers.

Teresa Halr - December 04, 2014 at 12:27 AM

TM

“ Words cannot express the sorrow that I feel. Rick was a caring, loving and supportive father but an even better grandpa!!! I will miss my daily phone calls of him checking in on Jake and Sid's day or his comments on how surprised he was that I could actually cook when I told him what I made for dinner the night before. He was the happiest guy I know. Just spending time with family and friends was all he needed. He has taught me that it's the simple things in life that really matter. I'm so thankful that my children got to spend time with him doing fun things. They have some really special memories of their grandpa that I'm sure they'll cherish forever. He will forever be loved and missed more then you can imagine... love you Dad!!!

Traci (Hamsa) Mallory - December 03, 2014 at 11:43 PM

SS

“ Susie,

I am so sad and heartbroken. Rick was a once in a lifetime friend and was always there for me. I am so glad that you found each other, you made him so happy.

My heart felt prayers go out to you and the entire Hamsa family. RIP my friend....I will miss you greatly.

Steve Sotello - December 03, 2014 at 09:17 PM

CF

“ *Rest In Peace My Friend*

Carla Failor - December 03, 2014 at 08:18 PM

DF

“ To Susie and ALL of the Hamsa family. I have nothing to say that can come close to the feeling our sorrow for your loss. I always enjoyed Rick, he always wanted to hear stories of his dad and all of the music and band guys. What a trip, he always made us laugh. Bless all of you. Dean and Cindy

Dean and Cindy Fornoff - December 03, 2014 at 08:12 PM

RW

“ Mike and the Hamsa family. I'm So Sorry To Hear Of Your Loss. My Heart Felt Condolences To All.

Rick Walker - December 03, 2014 at 07:35 PM

JW

“ So sorry to hear about your loss

Jeff Wiczorek - December 03, 2014 at 07:14 PM

KA

“ Susie. Love you sister. Let his love for you help you through this. Kids. He was one of a kind, just like his dad. His memory will forever put a smile on you faces. Love you all.

Karen - December 03, 2014 at 06:13 PM

MK

“ My thoughts and prayers are with you Mary Ann,

Marilyn kobza - December 03, 2014 at 05:57 PM

JF

“ Please know that we are sorry for your family's loss.

Jim & Kathy Zurek & Family - December 03, 2014 at 02:46 PM