



Ricky Stephen Springman

April 9, 1949 - March 26, 2024

Dateline: Alton, IL

Ricky Stephen Springman, 74, lost his short battle with cancer at 11:50 p.m. on Tuesday, March 26, 2024, at his home. He was born April 9, 1949, in Alton, the son of the late Helen (Smol) Wade. Ricky served in the U.S. Navy during the Viet Nam War and was the golf course superintendent for Rock Springs Golf Course for many years. In April 1988 he married Mary (Lewis) Springman, and she survives. Also surviving are two daughters, Heather Taylor (Diane) of Lake St. Louis, MO, Jennifer Bash of Louisville, KY, one son, Anthony Springman of Alton, three grandchildren, Trinity Springman, Damian Springman and Nicholas Springman and one great grandchild, Everly Springman. A Celebration of Life will be from 6 to 8 p.m. on Monday, April 8, 2024, at Spencer T. Olin Golf Course in Alton. Family and friends are asked to attend and share memories and stories about Ricky.

Rick's passion was golf. He was self-taught and always willing to help a fellow golfer with his swing or putt. He made many life-long friends on the golf course. He also loved to fish with his nephew, Dwayne (Karen) Springman and vacationing with his niece Gwen (Brent) Powell. He will be missed by his golf buddies, his family, friends, and his caring extended family.

Besides his mother, he was preceded in death by his stepfather, Morris Wade of Alton. Instead of flowers, please make memorials to Hope Animal Rescue. Additional information and online guest book may be found at www.gentfuneralhome.com

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

APR 8. 6:00 AM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Spencer T. Olin Golf Course
4701 College Ave.
Alton, IL

Tribute Wall

RS

“ 6 files added to the album *A Loved Brother*



Ron Springman - April 09, 2024 at 07:29 PM

RS

“ RIP my brother. I always loved you and just wanted to wish you a *Happy Birthday* and then this sad news pops up. Hope there are plenty of golf courses in the heavens!



Ron Springman - April 09, 2024 at 07:19 PM

SO

“ *RIP Ricky*



Susie Oetken - April 01, 2024 at 01:49 PM

MK

“ *I am so sorry to see Rick is gone. So many times he joined me as a "ringer" for the teams I put together for golf tournaments. Whether at Loch Haven for a Marquette High School fund raiser, Spencer T. Olin for a construction organization outing, or for our only first place finish at the SISCO tournament at Sunset Hills we always had a great time. I will never forget the day at Olin when Greg Lilly drove into us as Rick was getting ready to chip onto the green and he calmly stepped back put Lilly's ball into the pond! Afterward all Greg could talk about was "losing" his ball on that hole! Great memories. Rest in peace Rick and remember when you tee it up in heaven to hit them long and straight.*

Mark Knetzer

Mark Knetzer - April 01, 2024 at 08:20 AM


Georgia
Mulrean

“ *I'm so sorry for your loss. You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers.*



Georgia Mulrean - March 31, 2024 at 07:45 PM