



Richard Moody

January 27, 1951 - May 13, 2011

RICHARD ALAN MOODY (1951-2011): loving father, grandfather, brother and husband, after a brave fight succumbed to cancer on May 13th, 2011 in his home in Sardis, Tennessee.

“Rick” as he was known to his friends was a 23 year veteran of the United States Navy Seabees as a Builder, and retired as a Chief Petty Officer in 1993. He spent most of his honorable service stationed on the Mississippi Gulf Coast at the Navy Construction Battalion Center Gulfport, MS. During that time he made several overseas deployments while assigned to Mobile Construction Battalions.

His greatest personal military achievement during his service was being selected to Chief in 1988, and that would only be enhanced by how proud he was when his son, Chris was selected to the rank of Chief Petty Officer in 2006, in keeping with a strong family tradition of military service and leadership.

Rick’s military pride was only overshadowed by how proud he was of his title of “Pap Paw,” as he was known by his four grandsons. He was very proud of all of his grandsons that he simply referred to as his “boys.” He loved the outdoors and he passed on that love when he made sure that he was there to teach his “boys” fishing, camping, horseback riding and golfing. All of these lessons provided by their Pap Paw will be fondly remembered.

Rick was preceded in death by his father, Larcon Richard Moody and mother, Dixie Evelyn Ferrell Moody.

He is survived by his wife Elizabeth Moody of Sardis, TN, His son Chris Austin, daughters: Sabrina Austin and Kirstin Moody, Grandsons: Justin Austin, Tyler Austin, Brandon Austin and Alexander Moody, His sister Cathy Rivers and Brother Skip Rivers. His friends, family and especially his “boys” are all truly blessed to have had him in their lives and Pap Paw will be greatly missed.

Tribute Wall



“ Liz you are always in my prayers. Rick was like the Pa Paw I never had. Thank you so much for allowing me to still be a part of your lives even without work being involved. I will always cherish the laughter and jokes Rick always had. He was truly a one of a kind guy. A true soldier till the end. May God bless you and keep you.##imported-begin##Pansy Mickens##imported-end##

May 18, 2011 at 01:48 AM



“ Liz and Family,

I am very sorry for your loss. We were all better off for having met Rick and known him here at work and in the community. He was truly special and fun to be around at Falcon Plastics. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.

Mark Palmeri##imported-begin##Mark Palmeri##imported-end##

May 17, 2011 at 06:47 PM



“ My brother will be greatly missed. I once again have a empty whole in my heart. I know without a doubt that we will meet again , through the salvation of our Saviour Jesus Christ. I love you Richard Moody. Your sister##imported-begin##Cathy Moody Rivers##imported-end##

May 17, 2011 at 05:04 PM



“ Elizabeth and Family,
We are deeply saddened by Rick's passing. He was a great friend
and one
hell'va Seabee. He will be greatly missed by all who knew
him.##imported-begin##Jimmy and Judy Morrison##imported-
end##

May 17, 2011 at 11:24 AM



“ Liz, we were sorry to read in the morning paper that Rick had
passed away. It seems that it was only a week or so ago that he
was down here. Our prayers to you and the family. John & Babe
Switzer##imported-begin##John W. Switzer##imported-end##

May 17, 2011 at 11:22 AM



“ Elizabeth,

I sure was sorry to read that Richard passed away. I know we lost
contact a few years back and I didn't know you all were in Tenn. I
will keep you in my prayers and wish I was closer so I could attend
the service.

Steve##imported-begin##Steve L. Johnson##imported-end##

May 17, 2011 at 09:42 AM