



## Richard Claude Milward

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Richard died peacefully surrounded by loved ones and listening to his favorite country music songs after his battle with cancer. Born and raised in Madison, Wisconsin, he graduated with a degree in Industrial Arts from Wisconsin State University in 1965.

His life was spent teaching and coaching, both in Colorado and in Idaho. His passion for team sports – swimming, baseball, and hockey – inspired hundreds of students throughout the years. He always offered encouragement to his charges – and the occasional kick-in-the-rear when needed.

Richard also developed a passion for river rafting, guiding tourists down the Middle Fork and the Main Fork of the Salmon River in Idaho. His guests loved his ability to weave a tale, and he could use a Dutch oven like no other.

Overall, his infectious personality made him a friend to all – especially to the lovely ladies with whom he loved to dance.

Richard is preceded in death by his sister Kay. He is survived by a brother,

Ron, a sister, Sharon, a son, Shane, and many other family members and loved ones.

No memorial services are scheduled. Richard simply asked that those who knew him simply go to a rushing river, raise a cold one, and think of him dancing in the heavens

# Tribute Wall



“ *Richard Claude Milward*

October 09, 2023 at 02:01 AM



“ *Richard Claude Milward*

January 28, 2023 at 12:09 PM



“ *What a blessing the day I met Rich Milward. Over the span of 29 years, he was a wonderful husband, father to his incredible son, Shane, father image to my son, Lane, and a lifelong friend. I shared many happy and sad times with this man. Rich was the eternal optimist and always brought sunshine into the lives of those around him. He taught me to love nature and find spiritual peace in the mountains, on the rivers, in a meadow or just sitting quietly by a creek. He was truly one of my best friends. If you were lucky enough to be a friend of Rich's, you knew he would always be there for you.*



**Annie Williams** - December 02, 2017 at 03:22 AM



“ *Uncle Richie as I have called you all my life, I will miss your new, yearly visits. I would look forward to the fall and getting a chance to catch up on the past year. You were always so kind, thoughtful, happy and fun and I am so thankful that we were able to re-connect no matter how many years passed.*

*I remember when you had a lay over at the Ft. Lauderdale airport while traveling with Annie. Wanda and I were able to visit with you both for a couple hours. It was just so special to us that you would always get in touch with us if your were anywhere near.*

*I had the best time with you at my 50th Birthday party last year when you kept teasing me that 2 dancing girls were coming to the party soon and it turned out to be Wanda and Kasey, you had me going and it was a great surprise.*

*I will be forever grateful for the time we spent together and cherish every memory we made.*

*To Shane, Aunt Sharon, Uncle Ronnie, Aunt Sandy and all of my cousins and extended family. I know there are no words to make this better, just fantastic memories of a Man who meant so much to so many! I love you all, Michelle*

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**Michelle Luxem-Hermann** - November 27, 2017 at 07:44 PM

SM

“ Today after reflecting on the passing of of a Legend in the Milward family, Rich, it brought a smile amidst the sadness of losing you. You were one-of-a-kind Rich, a man who lived his life to the fullest, never missed a chance to have a good time, never knew a person you didn't like, had a million friends in high and low places, brought smiles to all who knew you. You left your mark on this world Rich, you will never be forgotten and always loved and forever missed. Float down that fork in calm waters and listen to the sound of white water ahead. Love you !!

Sandy & Ron Milward - November 27, 2017 at 05:59 PM

JL

“ To find love and lose it so quickly is so hard. Rich you came into my life and swept me of my feet. We shared so much in the past year dancing, kayaking, camping, traveling and loving each other. I will miss you.

Judy Lemon - November 27, 2017 at 02:04 PM

ED

“ No words properly express what I would like to say. Rich will forever remain in our hearts as the wonderful, kind and loving man that he was. My love goes out to all who are experiencing this loss. Rest in peace, my friend.



Evie Diebold - November 27, 2017 at 12:58 PM

KA

“ My dearest Richard. Thanks for the most special memories of our years together as partners and best friends. Your in my heart for eternity. See you on the river my dearest friend!

katie - November 27, 2017 at 11:53 AM