



Richard Michael Snitgen

January 20, 1944 - December 2, 2015

Snitgen, Richard Michael Age 71, December 2, 2015

Beloved husband of Frances (nee Drew) for 50 years. Loving father of Michelle (Bryan) Malone, John Drew (Connie). Proud grandfather of Joshua Drew, Kayla, Mackenzie, Taylor Malone and Hunter Drew Malone. Dear brother of Diane (Edward) Alef, Clifford (Joan), and Barbara (Timothy) Barnett. He was predeceased by his parents Thomas and Marilyn and his brothers Charles and David. Dear uncle of many nieces and nephews. He was a longtime member of the Macomb Twp. and Pigeon Lions Clubs. Visitation Friday December 4th 10 a.m until the time of funeral service 1 p.m. at the Wm Sullivan and Son Funeral Home, 8459 Hall Road (3 Blks E. of Van Dyke) Utica. In lieu of flowers memorials appreciated to the Penrickton Center for Blind Children, 26530 Eureka Road, Taylor, MI 48180 ~<http://penrickton.com/info/form> OR Be The Match Foundation, 3001 Broadway Street N.E., Suite 100, Minneapolis, MN 55413-1753 ~ <https://bethematch.org/Support-the-Cause/Donate-financially>

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Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 4. 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

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Funeral Services

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Tribute Wall

EA

“ Tom and I were truly sorry to here about Rick. He just emailed us his new address two days before his passing. He always made everyone feel welcomed. We are proud and happy that he crossed our pathway of life. Whenever we think of Rick, he brings a smile to our hearts. Fran and family you re in our thoughts, hearts and prayers.

*Love and blessings
Elizabeth and Tom alef*

Elizabeth Alef - December 13, 2015 at 03:02 PM

JS

thanks for taking the time to comment about my father--he is very much missed! John Snitgen

John Snitgen - January 10, 2016 at 10:01 AM

AF

“ I was so sorry to hear of Dick's passing. Know that my thoughts and prayers are with you. I will always remember the good times we shared. Dick was a blessing to all who knew him. With my deepest sympathy, Ardath Forth

Ardath Forth - December 07, 2015 at 05:41 AM

JS

thanks for taking the time out to acknowledge my father--he touched all whom he met. We miss him greatly!

John Snitgen - January 10, 2016 at 10:03 AM

GS

“ So sorry to hear about Dick. He was such a great person. I loved his sense of humor.

Dick was in part of our group that hung around together in high school. (Henry Ford in Detroit) . We enjoyed reconnecting with him at our last reunion.

Prayers to the family.

Gwen & Dwight Sinila

Gwen Therrian Sinila. - December 06, 2015 at 01:53 PM

JS

thanks for taking the time out to pay respects to my father--he was the BEST!

John Snitgen - January 10, 2016 at 10:03 AM

DJ

“ To the family of Richard Dick" Snitgen. Please accept my , most heartfelt sorrow for your loss. I had the pleasure of working with Dick at the Ford Sterling Plant for a number of years. As a toolmaker Dick had worked on many projects that were in my area. A highly skilled tradesman with an ability to solve problems and make repairs without the assistance of others. Well respected by his peers and management. And of course who could forget his sense of humor and contagious smile. Dick brought a sense of reality and comedy to the word "work". May Dicks' soul and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in Peace. Amen. Dan Jendza - retired Ford Engineering - Sterling Axle Plant

Dan Jendza - December 05, 2015 at 10:37 AM

JS

*Dan (and to his Ford Motor Company friends & family),
Thanks for the very kind heartfelt words. It was great to see some of
you at the funeral home, and then to share a story or two with me. He
was a hard working man, who I believed, EVERYONE got along with.
Thanks for being there for him in a place he spent so much time in!*

John Snitgen - January 10, 2016 at 10:06 AM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the
family of Richard Michael Snitgen.*



December 04, 2015 at 08:59 AM

SN

“ *We will always remember the wonderful memories of the many trips
and good times that we shared with Dick and Fran. Our hearts are
just broken to lose our good friend Dick. Love, hugs and prayers to
his family,
Shari and Ron Niebauer*

shari niebauer - December 04, 2015 at 08:42 AM

JS

*Sheri & Ron,
Thank you to BOTH of you for being there for my parents, as well as
how you continue to be there for my Mom. You are both FANTASTIC
people and friends. Love you both!*

John Snitgen - January 10, 2016 at 10:08 AM



“ *Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Richard Michael Snitgen.*



December 04, 2015 at 08:41 AM



“ *Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Richard Michael Snitgen.*



December 03, 2015 at 09:28 PM



“ *We had the privilege of calling Dick our friend and neighbor for 8 years. We always enjoyed his kindness, sense of humor and conversations. Dick and Fran have treated our children like their grandchildren and Staci and I have been very grateful. Dick's fight was inspiring and all of his family and friends are better people for having known him.*

Zimmerman Family - December 03, 2015 at 08:49 PM



Thanks so much for the kind heartfelt message. My parents treated everyone with open arms, and are amazing people. Thanks for sharing!

John Snitgen - January 10, 2016 at 10:09 AM

RG

“ Worked with Dick for many years at ford sterling. He was always telling the guys such wonderful jokes.we all have such fond memories of him. I was just telling one of the new guys about him and the funny things he would do.what a great guy!

ron garcia - December 03, 2015 at 08:30 PM

JS

Thanks for taking time out to share some kind words about my father. He was a "jokester" even on the homefront--that's who he was. I honestly don't think he had an enemy.

John Snitgen - January 10, 2016 at 10:10 AM

MK

“ Our outstanding memory of Dick will be his wonderful sense of humour. He loved life, loved his family, and was loyal to his friends. Dick always left you feeling better just by being in his company. He was one in a million and will be missed. Our condolences to Fran and the entire family. With warm memories, Mike and Marilyn Kramer



Marilyn Kramer - December 03, 2015 at 04:53 PM

JS

Mike & Marilyn,
Thanks for the very heartfelt & kind words about my father. he was an amazing man, with a personality like no other. Thanks for taking the time to write your memory!

John Snitgen - January 10, 2016 at 10:12 AM

TF

“ So sad at the loss of this happy and loving man. We have so many happy memories from our years as neighbors. We were just laughing the other night about one of the many fun practical jokes he pulled on us. Always looking to make others laugh, we are thankful that we had the years we did living next door. Our thoughts and prayers are with the family.

The Kouri Family - December 03, 2015 at 04:31 PM

JS

*The Kouri Family,
Thanks for taking time out to say some heartfelt & kind words. My parents enjoyed being your neighbors and really like your family.*

John Snitgen - January 10, 2016 at 10:14 AM

YG

“ Your Friends at GM purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Richard Michael Snitgen.



Your Friends at GM - December 03, 2015 at 02:40 PM

SF

“ With loving thoughts and prayers for eternal peace.



Seiler Family - December 03, 2015 at 02:10 PM

JL

“ James Bruce Pigeon Lions purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Richard Michael Snitgen.



James Bruce Pigeon Lions - December 03, 2015 at 01:57 PM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Richard Michael Snitgen.



December 03, 2015 at 01:15 PM

JA

“ From all of us from the Pigeon Loins, We are going to miss Dick. He was loved by all Pigeon lions members and he loved being a Lion as well. He drove twice a month from Port Austin just to go to the meetings. He was a guy you could always count on no matter what the Lions club were about to due next. What a great guy and a wonderful human being he was, always had upbeat personality. He will be missed by all. My condolence goes out to all his family.

*Jim Bruce
President Pigeon Lions*

James - December 03, 2015 at 12:23 PM

JW

Our hearts are broken by the passing of our dear friend. Deepest condolences to Fran, John Drew and Michelle Malone and children and all Snitgen clan. It was an honor to know Richard either the years of association with Bob in Macomb Lions and in recent years when he and Fran shared good times in South Texas/South Padre in winter and the cottage at Port Austin during the summer. Dick and Fran always made you feel special in their home and enjoyed hosting. Their family time always took priority and the love and devotion among them was evident. God bless Snitgen family. Continue his legacy of laughter, fun and love. God please conform Fran, take care of her and the cottage as dad would want.

Joy and Bob Wylin - December 04, 2015 at 08:45 PM

JS

I want to personally thank Jim Bruce (and all the Pigeon Lions) as well as Joy & Bob Wylin for the kind words and heartfelt expressions of kindness. My father led the Lions Club. He was a devoted member/man wherever he went in life. His personality was one of kind, and I honestly don't believe he had an enemy in the world. He spoke very highly of his Lion Club Family and he made friends everywhere he went. And I mean LASTING friendships. He touched a lot of people, and believe me, he's missed by many people. I want to thank you as well for making the trip to my Dad's funeral, the plaque, and just for recognizing him and his efforts and loyalty to your group.

John Snitgen - January 10, 2016 at 10:20 AM

BA

“ We are saddened by the loss of Rick and send prayers to his family, who must miss him dearly already. We appreciated Rick's kindness and sense of humor; a truly good man. His eyes lit up the room with his smile. One memory we have about Rick with our family group on our wine tour in northern Michigan a number of years back. He wore this goofy hat that made him look like he had long hair one evening which made us all laugh.

May you all sense God's loving hand and be comforted with His peace during this sad time. Betty and Larry Arnold

Betty Arnold - December 03, 2015 at 10:57 AM

JS

Thanks for the kind words and memory of my father. I remember the visor/hat real well. We are still hurting at his loss, for he is irreplaceable and one of a kind. I appreciate you taking the time to add your memory!

John Snitgen - January 10, 2016 at 10:22 AM


Colleen
Daniels

“ *Sending many thoughts, love, and prayers to the Snitgen family. I have fond memories of Mr. Snitgen, growing up in the Townhouses with the Snitgen family. May you find peace and comfort during this difficult time.*



Colleen Daniels - December 03, 2015 at 09:31 AM

JS

*Colleen,
Thanks for taking the time out to share a memory. We met and STILL have contact with the old "Townhouse Gang". Thanks for thinking of my father on this sad day!*

John Snitgen - January 10, 2016 at 10:23 AM

CJ

“ *Dear Fran, We are so sad to hear about Rick's passing. You and Rick are two of the nicest people and we enjoyed seeing you on your yearly trips to Texas! I know the Jones Family will be missing a dear person from now on. We send our sympathy and love to you and your family during this difficult time. Our thoughts and prayers are with you. Gary and Connie Jones*

Connie and Gary Jones - December 03, 2015 at 09:26 AM

JS

*Connie & Gary,
Thanks for the kind & heartfelt words and for taking time out to share a memory. They loved being a winter Texan and all their friends and family down there. I believe I've seen pictures of you all at dinner down there. Thanks again!*

John Snitgen - January 10, 2016 at 10:25 AM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Richard Michael Snitgen.*



December 03, 2015 at 08:06 AM

JB

“ *This is so sad. Dick and I were in the same year of high school. He was always so up beat and funny. I am sure he will be greatly missed by his family. He has been taken too soon.*

Jackie (Benton) Burmeister - December 03, 2015 at 03:47 AM

JS

Thanks for taking the time out to share a memory of my father. He truly was ONE OF A KIND. He DEFINITELY was taken too soon. He was doing so well, and then.....

John Snitgen - January 10, 2016 at 10:26 AM

CB

“ *Carol & Al Burton purchased the Fruits and Blooms Basket for the family of Richard Michael Snitgen.*



Carol & Al Burton - December 02, 2015 at 10:36 PM

TB

“ *Teri Biange lit a candle in memory of Richard Michael Snitgen*



Teri Biange - December 02, 2015 at 09:32 PM

BW

“ *Our hearts are broken to have to say goodbye, but when we think of you Dick, it will be with a smile in remembrance of good times shared with you and Fran. God bless you dear friend, we will see you again.*



Bob & Joy Wylin - December 02, 2015 at 06:58 PM