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**R**ichard "Rich" Charles Paine, age 73, recently of Seaford, Delaware, passed away on Friday, January 24, 2020, at his home.

Rich was born on October 20, 1946, in Norwood, MA, son of the late Charles E. and Rena M. (Lavallee) Paine. He was raised in Wrentham, MA, went to school in North Attleboro, and worked with his mentor/father at Wampum Corner Garage, which was owned by Rich's maternal grandfather, the late George Lavallee. Rich took those automotive lessons, skills, and passion to West Palm Beach, FL, where he and his family moved in the summer of 1963.

In 1965, Rich joined the Marine Corps Reserves and served for 17 years as a Heavy Equipment Staff Sergeant. The skills he learned in the military, combined with those he learned from his father, prepped him for the numerous management jobs he had within the automotive sector throughout his career. Rich also worked as a handyman and craftsman, especially post retirement. He always found new projects to keep himself and others busy. When not working, he enjoyed watching NASCAR and IndyCar, listening to classical music, reading, and spending time with his dogs. Above all, Rich was a loving and devoted husband, father, step-father, grandfather, great-grandfather, brother, and friend. He was loved by many and will be deeply missed by all who knew him.

In addition to his parents, Rich was preceded in death by his brother, Robert Paine. He is survived by his wife of more than 20 years, Jean M. Stecker; his two daughters: Kimberly Smith (Kevin) and Kristin Dase (Richard); his son, Kevin Paine; his step-children: Thomas Bruno and Michelle Bruno; his grandchildren: Kayla, Kevin, Jarrett, Kyler, Andrew, Jacob, Justice, Cole, and Evan; his great-grandchildren: Presley and Milo; and his sisters: Janet Penney (Roger) and Donna Paine.

A Memorial is planned for Spring, 2020.

In lieu of flowers, Memorial contributions in Rich's memory may be made to the American Cancer Society, P.O. Box 22478, Oklahoma City, OK 73123, or St. Jude Children's Research



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Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105.

Please sign the online guestbook located on the tribute page.



## Tribute Wall

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**Janet Penney** posted:

In loving memory of my brother, Rich, rest in peace and know that we all will miss you until we meet again. Watch over us, with Mom, Dad and Bobby, along with Brett and all the family who have gone on ahead of us. Love, Jan and Roger

January 30 at 6:01 AM



**Candi Stecker Frasier** lit a candle in honor of Richard.

Richard was married to my cousin Jean and when they moved to NJ I used to visit them. Had some nice conversations with him. Sending my condolences to the family and prayers for comfort and peace for all. RIP Rich.



January 29 at 6:07 PM



## **Memories only last if you share them**

Join us in honoring Richard by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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