

## Richard P. Posa

April 19, 1953 - May 29, 2025

Richard Posa, 72, of North Tonawanda, New York, passed peacefully on Thursday, May 29, 2025, surrounded by his family at Kenmore Mercy Hospital. Rick was born in North Tonawanda on April 19, 1953. He is predeceased by his parents, Samuel and Lottie Posa, and his brother, Joseph Posa. Rick is survived by his beloved wife, Sandra Posa; his sisters, Jean Posa and Sharon (Mark) Lachacz; and his children, Stephanie (Alan) Regdos, Eric (Jamie) Posa, Kimberly Marshall, Daniel (Amanda) Skrok, and Philip Overton. He is also survived by his cherished grandchildren—Kylie, Brielle, Bailee, Cole, Samantha, Eliana, Oscar, Evelyn, and Eloise—Also survived by his father-in-law Richard (late Norma) Mis and loving brother and sisters in-law, as well as many loving nieces, nephews, friends, and colleagues. Rick was a devoted husband and father who deeply cherished time with his family. He had a passion for playing his grand piano for loved ones and was

an

accomplished and creative businessman.

Family and friends will be present on Tuesday, June 17, from 4:00 to 8:00 p.m. at

Wattengel Funeral Home, 533 Meadow Drive, North Tonawanda. A Mass of Christian

Burial will be celebrated on Wednesday, June 18, at 9:30 a.m. at Our Lady of Czestochowa Church, 57 Center Street, North Tonawanda. In lieu of flowers, the family

kindly requests donations be made to the 11 Day Power Play in Rick's memory.

Proceeds support cancer research and patient programs at Roswell Park Comprehensive Cancer Center, Make-A-Wish, Camp Good Days, and the Roswell Park

Oishei Children's Cancer and Blood Disorder Program.

<https://communityshift.11daypowerplay.com/ericposa>

# Cemetery Details

## Acacia Park Cemetery

4215 Tonawanda Creek Rd N.  
North Tonawanda, NY

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN 17. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Wattengel Funeral Home (Meadow Drive)  
533 Meadow Drive  
North Tonawanda, NY 14120  
(716) 693-0440  
wattengelfh@gmail.com  
<https://www.wattengel.com>

## Mass of Christian Burial

JUN 18. 9:30 AM (ET)

Our Lady of Czestochowa Church  
626 Oliver Street  
North Tonawanda, NY 14120  
(716) 693-3822

# Tribute Wall

DM

“ Rick was my former boss, mentor, and friend. He was very creative and had an excellent sense of humor. He used to tell great business stories. My family and I owe him a great deal. I will forever appreciate working with him at SAMCO. - Diwakar Mokadam

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**Diwakar Mokadam** - June 26, 2025 at 05:57 PM

MC

“ Dear Rick,

Thank You for hiring me in 1987 to work at CSK/SAMCO. As an engineer just graduated from UB. You gave ME the opportunity to start my professional career in the Water/Wastewater industry. You forced me down the path of electrical/controls as a chemical engineer. Best thing for me that you could've done. I will NEVER FORGET THIS. I will also never forget the mentoring and friendship that You provided to me in the 13 years that I worked for CSK/SAMCO. I will never forget the hard work, fun and laughs that resulted from the trail blazing work, all over the country, that we accomplished. I will also try to remember the Bills Games that You took my wife Jude and I to, including the shellacking of the Raiders 52-3 (Howie Long, to this day, has trouble with this game) 😎 We always had such a good time that I have a hard time remembering some of the details of these games. You know what I am talking about. My Faith tells me that we will meet again someday. I cannot believe that You are gone from here 🕊

Wish You Were Here  
Mike Carson

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**Mike Carson** - June 18, 2025 at 07:08 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Richard P. Posa.

June 17, 2025 at 12:40 PM



“ Just wanted to say rick was type of guy who brought laughter to everyone around him. Which made our family functions enjoyable. He was a very generous guy and shared his generosity freely with everyone. I will always remember the unique bond I had with him where we would sarcastically jab one another at every turn. It truly made me feel quite close to him and loved by him. I guess it was our way of showing we cared about each other. I will always cherish this connection. and he will be missed but not forgotten.



Mark Mis - June 17, 2025 at 09:51 AM



“ Love, Kim and Julie purchased the Joyful Memory for the family of Richard P. Posa.



Love, Kim and Julie - June 16, 2025 at 08:24 PM



“ Rob Bellitto and Dawn planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Richard P. Posa.

Rob Bellitto and Dawn - June 16, 2025 at 08:39 AM

RD

“ Rob Bellitto and Dawn purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Richard P. Posa.



Rob Bellitto and Dawn - June 16, 2025 at 08:39 AM

FN

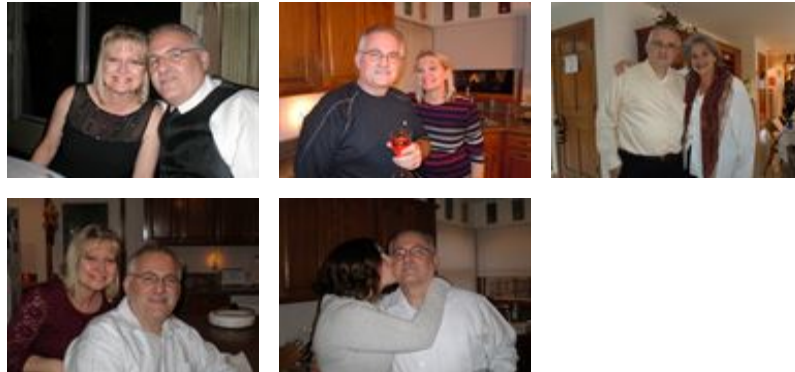
“ From Jim, Lynnette, Lindsey & Natalie purchased the Fairest of All for the family of Richard P. Posa.



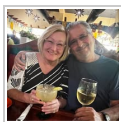
From Jim, Lynnette, Lindsey & Natalie - June 15, 2025 at 07:50 PM



“ 103 files added to the album LifeTributes



Wattengel Funeral Home - June 13, 2025 at 01:35 PM



Beautiful and precious memories. ❤️

Kathleen Bucolo - June 14, 2025 at 07:07 AM

JH

“ Jack Hampton purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Richard P. Posa.



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Jack Hampton - June 13, 2025 at 09:13 AM

JH

“ Jack Hampton planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Richard P. Posa.

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Jack Hampton - June 13, 2025 at 09:13 AM



“ Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Richard P. Posa.



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June 12, 2025 at 07:09 PM

HP

“ Rich and I were in school together at NTHS. We also worked together at BELLS IGA on Meadow Dr. I truly cared about him. He was a wonderful friend.

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Henry Pendleton - June 09, 2025 at 08:43 PM

MD

“ Having not seen Rick since high school, I am saddened by the news of his passing. I suppose there will be a wonderful class of '71 reunion someday. I remember Rick to be the great person with the qualities I have read posted by others. Condolences to the family.

Mike DeMart - June 09, 2025 at 03:28 AM

NK

“ Nick & Joanne, Scott & Jennifer and Kids planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Richard P. Posa.

Nick & Joanne, Scott & Jennifer and Kids - June 07, 2025 at 10:51 AM

NK

“ Nick & Joanne, Scott & Jennifer and Kids purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Richard P. Posa.



Nick & Joanne, Scott & Jennifer and Kids - June 07, 2025 at 10:51 AM

AM

“ I can't believe you are really gone 💔 We will miss your presence here on earth but know you are safe and resting in heaven. 😊

Our family was so lucky to call you Dad, Paco and Grandpa ☐ You were such a huge part of my life since I was 15 years old and played such a vital role in who I am today.

Until we meet again and I hear you say to me -“Welcome home! You're late for dinner!”  
Love you Dad ❤️



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**Amanda** - June 07, 2025 at 07:13 AM

RD

“ Rosie DeMart lit a candle in memory of Richard P. Posa



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**Rosie DeMart** - June 06, 2025 at 10:24 AM

JC

“ Juliet C. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Richard P. Posa.

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**Juliet C.** - June 06, 2025 at 09:33 AM

JO

“ Rick was a kind and admirable man. I love the way he loved and cared for my sister. He was a model husband to her and all of their children. He was so good to my parents and to my siblings. And a wonderful brother to his own. Rick gave everybody a chance and was welcoming to everyone. I always loved talking with him about music. I'm going to miss him dearly. Rest in peace to our Dear Rick. ❤️



Joann - June 02, 2025 at 03:49 PM

JM

Rick was a wonderful neighbor during my childhood. I remember the summer that I had a broken leg he would come over and show me how to use my recorder to record music on cassette tapes. I remember he loved working on cars, playing the piano and music. He was a kind soul. He visited our family while out on a trip to Michigan in the 1980s. I am sorry to hear of his passing. I am keeping you in my prayers, Jean and Sharon. ❤️❤️

Julie McNally - June 02, 2025 at 10:53 PM



A Very wonderful person I will remember our talks!!

De'Andre Hunley - June 04, 2025 at 10:11 PM

RS

It has been our law firm's high honor to help Rick protect his many inventions with patents over the past 15 years. When I first met him and he started to explain all his inventions, it became clear very quickly that he was brilliant. In our first conversation, I told him, "Rick - I'm just an electrical engineer - I'm not sure I can understand all your chemical process stuff." "Sure, you can, Bob, I will teach you." It then became clear that he was not only brilliant, but a kind and patient man as well. One of the most brilliant inventors I have had the pleasure of knowing. I will miss those Zoom calls dearly. May God bless him and your family in this difficult time.

Robert Simpson - June 07, 2025 at 11:38 AM

MS

*I will never forget u Rick-u were the best boss ever & totally enjoyed sharing the office scene with u-loved trying to get u organized but we worked it out! U were always so kind & respectful-I know how much u loved music & hoping their playing ur tune right now-u sure accomplished so much but just wished it would have been a little longer-I will miss u -may u rest in peace always,  
Marilyn Seitz*

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**Marilyn Seitz** - June 07, 2025 at 09:14 PM

JW

*Rick,we had alot of fun with our sons playing hockey for Wheatfield,"The Griswalds" so sorry Eric! Actually today is Shawn's birthday,he passed 3 years ago! To the Goodtimes!  
Jackie Wnek*

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**Jackie Wnek** - June 08, 2025 at 05:08 PM

JW

*We became friends in early 1997 and later that year you became my boss. Throughout our relationship, you were a model of both - always ready to listen, always showing respect, always available. I watched as you grew your company demonstrating the highest level of integrity, honesty, fairness, and vision in your decision making. I think that you realize now what all of us know - yours is a magnificent success story and your loss leaves a void that cannot be filled. RIP my friend.*

*John*

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**John Waliszewski** - June 12, 2025 at 11:54 AM

FS

*By lucky coincidence I met you 2.5 years ago. You invited me to join you in re-envisioning your company. We had great fun celebrating every small step of progress. In the process we grew in respect for each other and became friends. Thank you for including me on your journey. May you find peace in the arms of the angels!*

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**Fred Sanford** - June 17, 2025 at 12:57 PM

CC

*Rick, you have been an incredible mentor and I am forever grateful for the impact you've had on my life and career. I strive to honor your legacy in my work every day, and I will deeply miss you. Thank you for believing in me and taking a chance on me. You've shown me that leadership can be authentic, filled with humor and love. I feel so lucky to have had our paths align over the past six years. May you rest in peace*

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**Celine De La Cruz** - June 25, 2025 at 10:58 AM

GP

*Rick was a great person to work for and a leader in the water treatment industry. He was always looking out for his employees and encouraging their growth in the company. His friendship will be missed.*

*Gary Peck*

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**Gary Peck** - June 30, 2025 at 04:45 PM