



Scott Allen Richards

March 21, 1958 - April 9, 2022

Scott Allen Richards (Big Scott), 64, passed away Saturday, April 9, 2022, doing one of the many things that he loved, walking the hills of Illinois.

Scott was born on March 21, 1958 in Moline, Illinois to the late Francis (Dick) and Mary Rumler Richards. He was recruited for a beautiful basketball career in which he spent the first 2 years of his college education playing ball at University of Nevada, Reno. He then finished his basketball career here in Cape Girardeau after receiving a full ride scholarship at Southeast Missouri State University in May 1981. He earned a Business Degree from SEMO and continued his education to become a Licensed Land Surveyor at Southern Illinois where he earned registration and certification to practice surveying in Missouri, Illinois and Arkansas. He began his surveying career as a dear apprentice of Mary's father, Richard T (Papa) Kogge.

On October 16th, 1982, Scott married his sweetheart, Mary Louise (Kogge) Richards in which they have spent the past 39 years building a home together. They stayed busy running a successful business, Richards Land Surveying as well as raising their two daughters and later enjoying their 6 grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

Big Scott loved an adventure. He enjoyed the outdoors, spending time with his family by the pool, going to yard sales and spending his weekends in

Peckerwood Holler with his treasured wife Mary. He was mostly known as Bebo or Gampa to his beloved grandchildren in which he especially loved going metal detecting with them, taking them to the park and running errands with them. Scott was not a quiet man; he had a wonderful laugh with a booming voice which we will miss dearly. He sure had a knack for finding good deals, and never failed to provide for his loved ones; near and far.

Scott is survived by his loving wife, Mary, his children, Kate Reeves (Jared) of Cape Girardeau; Megan Frazier (Mark) of Cape Girardeau and sister, DeAnn Thompson, (Kelly) and family, of Ava Missouri as well as Pauline Richards. He is celebrated through the lives of his grandchildren Josh, Luke and Drew Reeves, as well as Haddie, Millie and Norah Frazier who always kept him running.

He was preceded in death by his parents; Francis Junior (Dick) and Mary Mildred (Rumler) Richards; his brother Steven Richards and his father and mother-in-law, Richard T (Papa) and Patricia Ann (Nana) Kogge; all of which had a piece of his heart.

A memorial Mass for Scott is scheduled for 11:00 am on Wednesday April 13, 2022, at St. Vincent de Paul Church. It will be immediately followed by a Celebration of Life luncheon in the lower meeting room of the church. Please join us in person or spirit to celebrate this great man. He will be dearly missed.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

APR **13**. 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church
1919 Ritter Dr.
Cape Girardeau, MO 63701

Tribute Wall



“ *Mary, I am so sorry for you and your family at Scott's passing. Please know that I am sincerely praying for your family. May the good Lord wrap His loving arms around each of you and give you peace*

Julia Bowen - April 13, 2022 at 10:49 AM



“ *Mary, we are so sorry for your loss. Rest in peace buddy. You will be missed. Pete Vozikis and family*

Annie Stoltenberg - April 13, 2022 at 08:52 AM



“ *Dear Mary & Family sincere condolences on Scott's passing. Working for your Dad was such a blast and getting to know your family !!! Prayers for You & Yours!!!❤️*

Sam Brown - April 12, 2022 at 07:31 PM

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“ *Aunt Gloria & Mike Hammonds & Family purchased the Southern Magnolia Tree for the family of Scott Allen Richards.*



Aunt Gloria & Mike Hammonds & Family - April 12, 2022 at 05:44 PM

PM

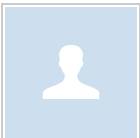
“ RIP CUZZO,FLY HIGH WITH ALL OUR FAMILY UP THERE, I KNOW THE FIRST PEOPLE U FOUND WAS UR MOMMA N MY MOMMA!.

Pam Mcwane - April 12, 2022 at 05:07 PM

EH

“ My daughter was good friends with Kate which led us to know Scott and Mary - what a super family! Scott also did some survey work for us and was very professional in his work as were the young people that worked for him which reflects back on Scott. Our prayers are with all of the family at this time. He loved life and lived it well! May your memories of him help your hearts at this time and in the time to come. All our love, the Hoeflingers.

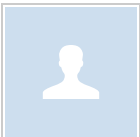
Erica Hoeflinger - April 12, 2022 at 10:21 AM



“ Rose Remembrance was purchased for the family of Scott Allen Richards.



April 12, 2022 at 09:37 AM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Scott Allen Richards.



April 11, 2022 at 09:26 PM

JG

“ We had some great,fun times growing up , I will miss him very much.

Jim goetsch

James Goetsch - April 11, 2022 at 09:04 PM

SS

“ He taught me how to survey. Walked may miles with him running traverse. Learned a lot from him. Great guy and boss.

Scott Smith (Smitty)

Scott Smith - April 11, 2022 at 08:46 PM

LO

“ Spent many hours talking to and laughing with Scott at fitness plus over the past 10+ years. I was always happy and excited to talk with him. Great man and I will miss him

Luke oliver - April 11, 2022 at 08:22 PM



“ Treasured Lilies Spray was purchased for the family of Scott Allen Richards.



April 11, 2022 at 07:09 PM

RC

“ Great man, great boss and a wonderful friend. You will be missed.
RKC

Richard K Couch - April 11, 2022 at 04:16 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Scott Allen Richards.*



April 10, 2022 at 11:20 PM