



Marcus Jay Richards

December 14, 1978 - May 10, 2017

Age 38, passed away on Wednesday, May 10, 2017. Marcus was born in Bellevue, Washington the son of Dennis and Martha (Stephenson) Williams. Marcus enjoyed his 14 years of service at D&R Heating and Cooling in Pinckney where he developed family like relationships with his customers and coworkers including Wendy and Tom Heider. Marcus had a close and loving relationship with his 3 children Henry, Noelle and Easton He had a child like imagination that he enjoyed sharing with them. He had a close relationship with all his family and considered his brother Matt to be his best friend. He had fond memories of his childhood growing up in California and family trips to Pinecrest. His final resting place will be at Salem Lutheran Church where he is a member. Gone too soon, he will be greatly missed by so many. Marcus is survived by his children Henry Parker (10) Noelle Jane (9) and Easton Charles (4), former wife and friend Rachelle Skelly-Richards, and parents Dennis and Martha. He is also survived by his brother Matthew Richards, Grandmother Joan Richards, bonus mom Gail Richards, bonus dad Woody Williams, half-brother Nicholas Richards, sister-in-law Liz Richards, bonus brother Jason Williams, bonus brother and sister-in-law Marcus and Nichole Williams, nieces Peyton and Wyatt Richards, and bonus nephew Lido Williams. Additionally is he survived by his mother-in-law Kathy Skelly, brother-in-law and sister-in-law Renae and Neal McConnell and Ryan and Linsey Skelly, nieces Reese and Chloe McConnell, nieces Isabel, Eilan Skelly and nephew Manessah Skelly. Marcus was preceded in death by his father-in-

law Ron Skelly, Grandfather Elmer Richards, and Grandparents Robert and Dorothy Stephenson. Funeral Services will take place on Wednesday, May 17, 2017 at 11:00 A.M. at the Salem Evangelical Lutheran Church in Scio Twp. with Pastor Michael Koepke officiating. Burial will take place in the Salem Lutheran Church Cemetery at a later date. In lieu of flowers contributions may be made to his children's college funds, care of Rachele Skelly-Richards. Contributions can be mailed to 43317 Pepperwood Canton, MI 48187 or online at <https://www.gofundme.com/richards-children-fund>. Envelopes will be available at the church where friends may join the family for visitation starting on Tuesday, May 16, 2017 from 5:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M. and again on Wednesday from 10:00 A.M. until the time of the service at 11:00 A.M. To sign Marcus' guestbook, to leave a memory, or for more information or directions please visit www.rbfhsaline.com.

Cemetery Details

Salem Lutheran Church Cemetery

7474 Scio Church Road
Ann Arbor, MI 48103

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 16. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Salem Evangelical Lutheran Church
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Ann Arbor, MI 48103

Visitation

MAY 17. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

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Funeral Service

MAY 17. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Marcus Jay Richards*

October 23, 2023 at 01:07 PM



“ *Marcus worked at our house for about 14 years, so we guess we've known him since he was 24. We didn't realize he was so young because he always had such a good grasp on everything that needed to get done in our house. And our hvac needs were rather complicated. Over the years we enjoyed hearing about his children. He was so incredibly proud of all three of them. He always took the time to tell us how things were going. He was the kind of person that did not leave until the job was done, even if it meant working long hours. We always enjoyed seeing him and knew he would take good care of things for us. We are so sad to hear of his passing. We can't imagine how sad this is for his three adorable kids. We know the folks at D & R are devastated and we are too. We hope you kids know what a wonderful, hard working dad you had and how much he loved you! We will really miss him.*

Paula & Albert Berriz

paula berriz - May 17, 2017 at 05:43 PM



“ *Our dad was the best dad ever, he loved us so much. We will always miss him and remember him always.*

Henry, Noelle and Easton

Kathy skelly - May 16, 2017 at 12:15 PM

DG

“ My deepest condolences to Marcus's family. I have been his tenant for 4 years. When we asked for an extra year he agreed, even though he wanted to sell the house. He was a kind and friendly man. It was wonderful knowing him.

Deidre Gutierrez - May 16, 2017 at 11:52 AM

WH

“ Wendy Heider purchased the A New Sunrise Spray for the family of Marcus Jay Richards.



Wendy Heider - May 15, 2017 at 04:33 PM

WH

“ Wendy Heider purchased the Tropical Tribute Spray for the family of Marcus Jay Richards.



Wendy Heider - May 15, 2017 at 09:54 AM

TC

“ On our first day of the 4th grade, Marcus was the first person who asked to play with me. We played tetherball. We played all recess long. I have many such sweet and simple memories of Marcus. I am so grateful that my childhood is filled with memories of this special person always making me smile.

Tiffany Cowhard - May 14, 2017 at 11:13 PM

LH

“ Love, Diane & Peter Mettra and Terry & Larry Hill purchased the Treasured Lilies Spray for the family of Marcus Jay Richards.



Love, Diane & Peter Mettra and Terry & Larry Hill - May 14, 2017 at 05:59 PM



“ Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of Marcus Jay Richards.



May 14, 2017 at 10:03 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Marcus Jay Richards.



May 13, 2017 at 07:03 PM

RR

“ Marcus always treated every person the same way. He never judged anyone..... he was a kind soul and hard working man. He never ever complained about going on a call for work or working outside in the freezing cold. In fact I would complain for him some times... lol.. He loved our 3 kids with his entire being and would have lived in a box if it meant they would have a better life. We are heartbroken and will forever be grateful for him.

rachelle richards - May 13, 2017 at 06:14 PM

DN

“ *Dad, Gail, Matt & Nick purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of Marcus Jay Richards.*



Dad, Gail, Matt & Nick - May 13, 2017 at 01:08 PM

SK

“ *Marcus worked for my boyfriend, Tom at D & R Heating and Cooling for about 15 years, he was a kind-hearted man and loving Father to his three beautiful children! He worked very hard and was always willing to go the extra mile, many customers requested him and complimented him on a regular basis, he was an asset to the company and more than that, an outstanding man and friend, we are very proud of him and will miss him deeply!*

shannon kuehnl - May 13, 2017 at 08:49 AM



“ *Marcus and I was roommates for a short while. He was a friendly guy and loved his kids. I give my condolences.*

Andy Hanners - May 12, 2017 at 07:09 PM