



Richard Albert Pavelek

January 5, 1943 - June 8, 2026

PAVELEK, RICHARD Age 83 June 8, 2026. Beloved husband of Julie. Loving father of John (Sarah) Pavelek & Andy (Cynthia) Pavelek. Proud grandfather of Noah & Owen. Dearest brother of Bob Pavelek and the late Bill (Nancy) Pavelek.

Visitation Thursday, June 18, 2026 from 4-8pm at Wujek-Calcaterra & Sons 54880 Van Dyke at 25 Mile Rd. (SHELBY TOWNSHIP). Funeral Friday, June 19, 2026 Instate 9:30am at St. Kieran Church 53600 Mound Rd. (btw. 24 & 25 Mile Rds.) until time of Mass at 10:00am. In lieu of flowers donations are welcome to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. Share memories with the family at their "On Line Guest Book" @ WujekCalcaterra.com.

Upcoming Events

Visitation

JUN **18**. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Wujek-Calcaterra & Sons - Shelby Township
54880 VanDyke Ave
Shelby Township, MI 48316

Instate / Funeral Mass

JUN **19**. 9:30 AM - 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Kieran
53600 Mound
Shelby Twp., MI 48316

Tribute Wall



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Richard Albert Pavelek.* ”



21 minutes ago



“ *I feel for your loss.* ”

Rich and my father were “toy rep buddies” and there was a mutual appreciation and friendship through the years. It was a blessing to grow up in the toy industry in the time that I did knowing and associating with the Paveleks, in our many toy business related events. I always appreciated Rich. We were always there for each other as we proceeded and grew in the business. It was a blessing for my partner, Richard and I, knowing such a great and good man, and I know I speak for my father also.



You, and your mom and your family are in my prayers.

God bless you all,

Joe Grow, Jr.

Joe Grow, Jr. - Yesterday at 02:41 PM

JP

“ My heart is heavy with the loss of my Uncle Rich. He was a kind and wonderful man.

I'll always treasure the memories we shared. Time at the lake house on Lake Huron as a kid, all the great fishing trips on Sharky, our family reunions, horseshoes, egg tosses and all. His breakfast on his huge campfire skillet, along with all our family gatherings he made so special.

I feel grateful to have known him. He will be deeply missed.

Sending love and prayers to the family. ❤️

Love, Jan

Jan Pavelek - Yesterday at 11:30 AM

JL

“ God bless you, my friend and neighbor. So many great memories watching our kids grow up, smelt dipping at Pt. Pelee and Port Sanilac, snowmobiling in Lewiston and Black Lake, salmon fishing in Lake Huron, and walleye fishing with Tom Becker in Lake Erie. I will miss you.

Jim Lyijynen - June 12 at 01:58 PM

BS

“ Rich was a wonderful long time friend. He started calling on Fun Fair aka Hobby Center many years ago. Our tradition was we would always have dinner together on the first night of Toy Fair in NYC. He and Julie watched our children grow up and we were aware of Andy and John as their lives progressed. Lots of stories, laughs and drinks . So much fun on the occasion of Rich and Julies 50th He participated in many Hobby Center The Toy Store's Doll and Bear shows with Effanbee dolls and endured the awful floor in Franklin Park Mall for 4 days! He will remain a part of our heart until we meet in heaven. RIP Rich We miss you already and I am so happy that I spoke to you so recently. Prayers for Julie and their family

Beth Savino - June 12 at 01:48 PM

JL

“ I have so many incredible memories of Mr. Pavelek, whether it was fishing trips, snowmobiling, spending time at the cottage in Port Sanilac, or using his backyard to play wiffle ball with Andy and John. He would welcome me like I was part of the family. And, he always put everyone else first. Thank you Mr. P. for being such an important part of my life journey. I have no doubt that you'll be fishing with Jesus.

Jeff Lyijynen - June 12 at 07:34 AM

RF

“ Ronald, Reuben, and the Wong Family purchased the Ringed by Love for the family of Richard Albert Pavelek.



Ronald, Reuben, and the Wong Family - June 12 at 01:58 AM



“ *Enduring Grace was purchased for the family of Richard Albert Pavelek.*



June 11 at 06:29 PM



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

June 11 at 06:29 PM



“ *Mr. Pavelek was like a father to me. Since I was a young child and Andy and I spending so much time together as best friends Mr Pavelek was someone I laughed with and joked with because he was always so serious at times. Be able to spend time with him at Andy's wedding is a precious memory I will hold with me always! He will forever be in my heart and I will miss him so very much.*

Michele Beitelshees (Riccobono) - June 10 at 07:33 PM



My cousin Rich the "city" kid, loved to spend time on my parents farm. Uncle Joe and Aunt Leona always had a warm welcome for the family While Rich and I together as youngsters explored the woodlands, climbed trees, slushed through the creeks, and caught frogs and snakes. (Rich handled the snakes)! Rich and Julie through the years would cheerfully join the many family gatherings we shared. I'll miss being greeted by that "big" and warm hug. I believe nothing was more important than family to Richard! Our annual Pavelek Family Christmas Caroling Event, won't be the same without him and his family. Love you "Cuz"! Thank's for the memories. Until we meet again, I'll hold happy thoughts of you in my heart!

Joan pavelek woodard - June 10 at 08:40 PM

KP

“ Rich was such a kind man! I loved him very much from the moment I met him. He always gave big hugs and had a smile on his face. He was so giving! I will always think of the great times with him. I will miss him very very much! Love you Rich! ❤️

Katerina Pavelek - June 10 at 08:59 AM

NP

“ He will be greatly missed. I have so many fond memories with him and Aunt Julie over the years, from Port Sanilac and cider mill visits at Thanksgiving time to pea pool at Christmas, fishing trips (Henry learning how to fish), and special times together in Dallas. I'll cherish those memories always. My thoughts and prayers are with the family.

Natalie Pavelek - June 10 at 08:39 AM

JT

“ Rich Terry thought the world of you and so did I. We had so many fond memories of you and Julie. John and Andy. I would have loved to have accompanied Terry to your funeral , but your funeral is on my 80th Birthday and I had a Birthday dinner planned for 15 people. So I couldn't be there. Rest in peace Rich, you will be so missed.
Julie Toomey

Julie Toomey - June 09 at 09:58 PM

GR

“ Rich you were a special cousin to me. You will be missed! Enjoyed all the good times our families spent together. Especially remembering Black Lake when we were small. My condolences to Julie, John, Andy and family. Cuz Gerry

gerry rembelski - June 09 at 02:05 PM