



## Mr. Richard F. Plachta

January 7, 1952 - March 23, 2023

Richard Plachta, of Roswell, GA, passed away Thursday, March 23, 2023. Rich was born on January 7, 1952 in Chicago, IL, son of the late Frank and Betty Plachta. Rich had two siblings, Pam (Vickner) and Kevin, along with an extensive family of aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces, and nephews.

Rich attended Quigley South High School and then Niles Preparatory Seminary, where he received an undergraduate degree from Loyola University. He went on to earn a master's degree in accounting from DePaul University, along with his C.P.A. While in school, Rich not only formed life-long friendships, but met the love of his life, Mary Ann. Rich and Mary Ann married in 1974 and were blessed with three wonderful children: Matt, Beth, and Michael. They were so pleased when Caitlin and Noelle married into the family.

Rich loved all dogs, an affection that is shared by the entire family. He was an avid lover of all sports (especially Chicago teams), playing golf and tennis, winning at team trivia, spending time with family and friends, and celebrating with people.

A Funeral Mass will be held at St. Peter Chanel Catholic Church in Roswell, GA, on Friday, March 31st at 10:30 am. A reception will immediately follow in the parish hall.

Those wishing to make a donation instead of flowers are invited to contribute to the Atlanta Humane Society or the St. Vincent de Paul – St. Peter Chanel Conference food pantry.

Please visit [www.northsidechapel.com](http://www.northsidechapel.com) to share memories and leave condolences for the family.

# Cemetery Details

## Cremation - Northside Chapel Crematory

12050 Crabapple Road  
Roswell, GA

# Previous Events

## Memorial Mass

MAR 31. 10:30 AM (ET)

St. Peter Chanel Catholic Church  
11330 Woodstock Road  
Roswell, GA

# Tribute Wall

AD

“ Rich, was a great guy, and wonderful coworker when we worked together in Chicago. at Mount Sinai Medical Center 1981..Introduced me to the best corned beef sandwich at Reds.... Rest In Peace my friend....Andrew Duren

Andrew M Duren - August 05, 2024 at 08:43 AM

KO

“ My deepest sympathy to Rich's family. I knew Rich for several years while he served in Finance at IHM. He was always so quick to provide a helpful answer and one of the kindest people I've known. He will be missed greatly.

Katie Reiland O'Grady

Katie Reiland O'Grady - April 11, 2023 at 06:51 AM

JO

“ I was fortunate to have known Rich at Niles where we played on the basketball team together. It is difficult to accept that he is gone. He was so upbeat, so full of life -- endlessly entertaining the team with his good humor, fast talking, and recitation of omedy movie dialogs. May he Rest In Peace.

John99 - April 09, 2023 at 10:34 PM

K1

“ Our deepest condolences to the family and friends of Richard. He became a Knight of Columbus in 1990 at Our Lady of the Woods Crusaders Council 10151. He maintained a relationship with the Council even though he moved away and remained a Knight in good standing. We offer our prayers for his eternal rest.

Knights of Columbus Crusaders Council 10 - April 03, 2023 at 02:52 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Mr. Richard F. Plachta.*



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March 30, 2023 at 03:58 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Mr. Richard F. Plachta.*



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March 30, 2023 at 01:05 PM

BG

“ Rich was my best friend through childhood. He lived directly across the alley from me and we did everything together. In elementary school, He got a double promotion from kindergarten to first grade; I got a double promotion from first to second grade to keep up with him. We played together every day. Rich had the best hand-eye coordination of anyone I knew. He was easily my toughest challenger in ping-pong, tennis, and home run derby, which we played endlessly for years with a whiffle ball or plastic golf ball in my yard, the street, or "the prairie" next to his house. Rich was catcher and I was pitcher in a Little League All-Star game. Most nights in my basement we played Strat-o-Matic baseball, an early sort of fantasy sport with dice and hitting cards of players from every major league team. Rich hated to lose to me. Anytime he did he'd shout "God blessed!" The memories go on and on. And on.

*As adults we unfailingly touched base on each other's birthdays. My next birthday won't be the same. I'm misty-eyed as I type. God bless that I knew him.*

*Love to Mary and the family.*

*Bill Graham*

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**Bill Graham** - March 30, 2023 at 01:01 PM

KP

“ Rich, you were the absolute best brother. I will cherish the memories forever. Rest in Peace.

*With all my love, Kevin--your kid brother*

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**Kevin Plachta** - March 30, 2023 at 12:43 PM

SK

*Kevin... so sorry for your loss. I worked for Rich way back when at Master Collectors in Hindsdale Illinois! He was a great man. He wasn't all that much older than me (I was born in 67) but he gave me much advice during the time I knew him. RIP Rich...Go Cubs! Sue Kotek aka Slammer!*

Susan Kotek - March 30, 2024 at 06:25 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Mr. Richard F. Plachta.



March 30, 2023 at 12:30 PM

AS

“ My thoughts, prayers and condolences to Mary and to all of Rich's family. As a Quigley South ('69) and Niles College ('73) classmate and friend of Rich, I hold many fond and cherished memories. Rich was one of the most likable guys I have ever known. His humor, kindness and friendship has had a lasting impression on me. God bless you Rich and keep you in His presence.

*Allen Sandusky*

Allen Sandusky - March 30, 2023 at 10:18 AM

PZ

“ Sorry for all of our loss. Rich was one of the GOOD ones! Love Zig.

Phillip J Zigulich - March 30, 2023 at 09:18 AM



“ *Love's Journey was purchased for the family of Mr. Richard F. Plachta.*



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March 30, 2023 at 08:20 AM



“ *The men of St Peter Chanel Fideles will pray a rosary in the Adoration chapel for Richard on April 12th at 7 pm. May God's blessings be with Maryanne and the family during this difficult time.*



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**Nick Rao** - March 29, 2023 at 09:37 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mr. Richard F. Plachta.*



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March 29, 2023 at 07:52 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Mr. Richard F. Plachta.*



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March 29, 2023 at 12:35 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Mr. Richard F. Plachta.



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March 29, 2023 at 08:13 AM



“ *Gregory Vickner purchased the Country Basket Blooms* for the family of Mr. Richard F. Plachta.



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**Gregory Vickner** - March 28, 2023 at 05:42 PM

FM

“ Dear Mary Ann and Family,

*I was stunned and saddened when I heard of Rich's death. He was always so full of life and laughter...one of the quickest wits I've ever known. Of course, you didn't want to be on the receiving end of one of his "zingers" when he was holding court.*

*I know this is an incredibly difficult time for you but please know that he, and all of you, are being lifted up in prayer here at our faith community of St. Mary of Providence. Our 82 residents and 7 Sisters have joined with me in remembering this wonderful man.*

*I offered the Eucharist for him this past Sunday morning and will so again Friday as you gather to celebrate his life and love.*

*Blessings to all,*

*Tom Mulcrone*

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**Fr. Tom Mulcrone** - March 28, 2023 at 03:27 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Mr. Richard F. Plachta.



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March 28, 2023 at 02:48 PM



“ *Serene Reflections Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mr. Richard F. Plachta.*



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March 28, 2023 at 02:41 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mr. Richard F. Plachta.*



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March 27, 2023 at 02:20 PM

BS

“ *NORTHSIDE CHAPEL FUNERAL DIRECTORS AND CREMATORY  
MN*

*Mike & Cheri Nolan*

*3 hours ago*

*R.B. (it's a fond nickname for a great person!),*

*Thank you for the joy and the support you provided.*

*Mary & Family, so sorry for your loss. Prayers for you all.*

*From a high school (Quigley) and College (Niles) classmate.*

*Mike Nolan*

*Share Share on Facebook Share on Twitter*

*BS*

*Bill Schuetter*

*2 minutes ago*

*From another Quigley South and Niles classmate - and fellow band member. We were with you in the “good old days” and we pray to be with you in the great new days above. Prayers from a friend.*

*Bill Schuetter*

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**Bill Schuetter** - March 26, 2023 at 06:00 PM

MN

“ *R.B. (it's a fond nickname for a great person!),  
Thank you for the joy and the support you provided.*

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*From a high school (Quigley) and College (Niles) classmate.*

*Mike Nolan*

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**Mike & Cheri Nolan** - March 26, 2023 at 02:34 PM

BS

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*Bill Schuetter*

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**Bill Schuetter** - March 26, 2023 at 05:57 PM

CE

*Honored to have worked with Rich and grateful for his service to our IHM community. You are all in our prayers. Consuelo and John Ecuyer*

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**Consuelo ecuyer** - March 27, 2023 at 02:51 PM