



## Richard "Rick" Allen Sytsma

January 8, 1959 - August 14, 2024

Richard Allen Sytsma, age 65, of DeMotte, Indiana, passed away peacefully at home on Wednesday, August 14, 2024. Richard was born on January 8, 1959, in Rensselaer, Indiana, to Andrew and Jacoba "Coby" (Hoogeveen) Sytsma.

A lifelong resident of Jasper County, Rick graduated from Kankakee Valley High School with the Class of 1977. He dedicated many years of hard work as a mason/bricklayer before retiring from US Steel. On April 20, 2013, Rick married the love of his life, Tina Styck, and they shared many cherished moments together.

Rick had a deep love for the outdoors, finding joy in fishing, hunting, and trapping. In his younger years, he was an avid basketball player and continued to enjoy watching the game on TV. He also loved playing the Hoosier Lottery and scratch-offs, and found pleasure in gardening, cocktails with family & friends, and teasing his beloved wife, Tina.

Rick is survived by his wife, Tina Sytsma; his daughters, Amber (Dustin) Padilla and Sarah (Trinh Nguyen) Sytsma; step-daughter, Kayla Sipe; and two grandchildren. He is also survived by his four brothers: Steve (Joyce) Sytsma, Michael (Wendy) Sytsma, Brian (Mary) Sytsma, and Daniel (Kathryn) Sytsma, along with numerous nieces and nephews.

He is preceded in death by his parents, son Clay Sytsma, and brother Scott Sytsma.

Visitation will be held on Saturday, August 17, 2024, from 9:00 AM until 11:00 AM at Jackson Funeral Service in DeMotte, Indiana. The funeral service will follow at 11:00 AM, with Pastor Tim Hester officiating. Interment will be held at Holland Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to DeMotte Christian Schools in Rick's honor.

# Cemetery Details

## Holland Cemetery

Holland Cemetery  
DeMotte, IN 46310

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG 17. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Jackson Funeral Service of DeMotte  
200 3rd Street, SW  
P.O. Box 681  
DeMotte, IN 46310  
(219) 987-5300  
info@jacksonfuneral.com  
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## Funeral Service

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# Tribute Wall



“ Jackson Funeral Chapels created a Tribute Video in memory of Richard "Rick" Allen Sytsma



Jackson Funeral Chapels - August 16, 2024 at 03:46 PM

DC

*Rick was a great guy, prayers up for his wife Tina & family.*

Diana Courtney - August 17, 2024 at 02:39 PM

DC

*Glad I had a chance to meet Rick in school & to meet his family.*

Diana Courtney - August 17, 2024 at 02:40 PM

KC

“ Khelsi, Michelle, and Christian planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Richard "Rick" Allen Sytsma.

Khelsi, Michelle, and Christian - August 18, 2024 at 07:55 PM

KC

“ Khelsi, Michelle, and Christian purchased the Tender Tribute for the family of Richard "Rick" Allen Sytsma.



Khelsi, Michelle, and Christian - August 18, 2024 at 07:55 PM



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**Jackson Funeral Chapels** - August 17, 2024 at 08:51 AM

SC

“ *Steve and Colleen purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Richard "Rick" Allen Sytsma.*



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**Steve and Colleen** - August 16, 2024 at 04:38 PM

RJ

“ *Ron and Jane Jones purchased the Fairest of All for the family of Richard "Rick" Allen Sytsma.*



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**Ron and Jane Jones** - August 16, 2024 at 04:36 PM



“ Abbie and Brian Hoogeveen planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Richard "Rick" Allen Sytsma.

Abbie and Brian Hoogeveen - August 16, 2024 at 12:40 PM



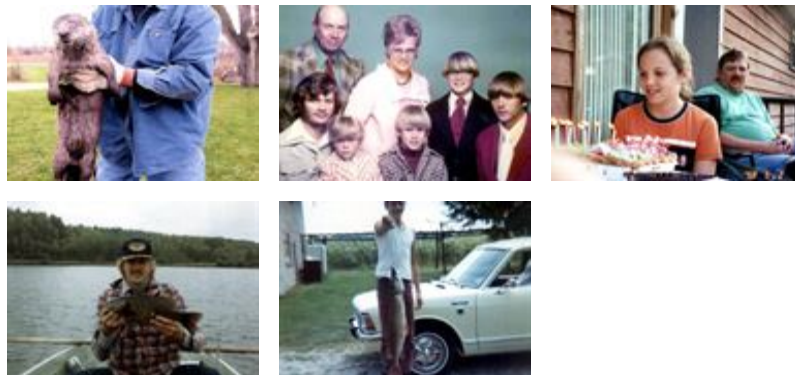
“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Richard "Rick" Allen Sytsma.



August 16, 2024 at 12:40 PM



“ 107 files added to the album LifeTributes



Jackson Funeral Chapels - August 16, 2024 at 11:42 AM



“ 3 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



**Jackson Funeral Chapels** - August 16, 2024 at 10:14 AM

GF

“ Gary and Allen Styck’s families purchased the *Strength & Solace Spray* for the family of Richard “Rick” Allen Sytsma.



**Gary and Allen Styck’s families** - August 15, 2024 at 11:46 AM



“ *Serene Retreat* was purchased for the family of Richard “Rick” Allen Sytsma.



August 15, 2024 at 11:22 AM

NF

“ *Nguyen Family* purchased the *Sentiments of Serenity Spray* for the family of Richard “Rick” Allen Sytsma.



**Nguyen Family** - August 15, 2024 at 12:52 AM