



Richard Andrew Soltis

October 20, 1946 - September 16, 2019

Richard Andrew Soltis returned home peacefully to his Heavenly Father at his home in Taylorsville, Utah on September 16, 2019.

Rick was born October 20, 1946 to Margert Tuckey and Andy Soltis in Rock Springs, Wyoming. Married Penny Edwards on October 12, 1972. Graduated from Rock Springs High school in 1965. He is a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints. He Loved the association with the members. He held different positions in the church. Joined the Navy in 1965 was Honorable Discharged in 1968, he went to machinist mate class A School, air condition and refrigeration school, and was a corpsman. On August 16, 1972 was hired onto the Salt Lake City Fire Department for 37 years retired on July 30, 2009. His fire service was Journeyman Firefighter, Utah firefighter I and II, various employee action committee, juvenile firesetters program, community education instructor, NIMS, served in the SLC Fire Department Relief Association trustees, chairman of 1996 Utah State Fireman's Convention, He is currently President of the Salt Lake Fireman's Retired relief Association he has been on the board several years. He was director of the SLC Fire Department, Public Education Division 1994-2009 as Instructor and trainer, director for American Heart Association, and hazardous materials technician. He loved the association with his fellow firefighters. Richard went to work for Securitas as a security guard at an industrial warehouse then moved to Smiths main office, where the employee's loved and spoiled him. Retired from there in March 2019. Attended the University of

Utah, University Valley state college in Fire service, creative techniques, Microsoft, windows95, 98, 2000, office, excel, word, power point, outlook e-mail, DCFM, and Netscape & internet explorer. His interests are fishing, outdoor activities with family & friend's camping, traveling and golf. He loved and worked hard to provide for his family always!!

He is survived by his wife Penny for 47 years, Amber Petersen, Cassi Yarbrough {Will} and Joe Richardson, grandchildren Evan Soltis, Bethany & Kaylee Yarbrough.

Proceeded in death by his parents and step parents, brother Charles and daughters Melissa & Nicole Soltis. He will be missed by all.

Services will be held Saturday Sept. 28, 2019 at 11:00am with viewing 10 to 10:45am. Also a viewing will be held Friday night 6-8pm at Bennion 2nd ward church 5775 S 2700 W Taylorsville, Utah. There will be no interment.

Previous Events

Viewing

SEP **27.** 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (MT)

Bennion 2nd Ward
5775 South 2700 West
Taylorsville, UT 84129

Viewing #2

SEP **28.** 10:00 AM - 10:45 AM (MT)

Bennion 2nd Ward
5775 South 2700 West
Taylorsville, UT 84129

Funeral Service

SEP **28.** 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (MT)

Bennion 2nd Ward
5775 South 2700 West
Taylorsville, UT 84129

Tribute Wall



“ *Richard Andrew Soltis*

October 05, 2023 at 07:49 PM



“ *We are sad to hear of Rick's passing. Our prayers go out to Cassie and Bill's family and friends. Please know your church family in TX is holding all of you in our thoughts and prayers today and in your journey ahead. Hugs and blessings from Lakeside UMC in Streetman, TX.*

Rev. Tolli Macalik - September 21, 2019 at 12:05 PM



“ *Rick was truly a great guy...Always willing to help a fellow firefighter (and others)...We have many great experiences and memories to reflect upon when thinking back of times spent with Rick...Rick provided medical training/CPR and friendship to many throughout the Fire Department and the community....Mike & Medical Marti...*

Marti ransom - September 20, 2019 at 03:43 PM



“ *What a shock to get the news from Ray Schelble and see Rick's obituary. Rick was a great guy. Parky and I went to a lot of Firefighter activities with Rick and Penny such as State conventions, Retired dinners and other activities. He will truly be missed. I wonder if Parky was there to greet his special friend and welcome him home. My condolences to Penny and the family. Yvonne Parkinson*

Yvonne Parkinson - September 20, 2019 at 02:48 PM

DK

“ Penny and family, may you be comforted in knowing Rick was very loved by his fire family. We had lots of laughs both on the job and after retirement at the retired's party. It was always good to see you both at Turner's. Sending my best to you in this time of sorrow. Dee Dee Kanady - SLCFD - retired

Dee Dee Kanady - September 20, 2019 at 12:13 PM

JS

“ Dear Penny and family,
I am sad to hear of Rick' passing. I knew him from the SLCFD. He served his fellow man with honor and humor. I am one of many who remember him with fondness. May God give you peace of mind, and may your many memories bring you comfort in this time of sorrow.
Judy Swenson, SLCFD Dispatch, retired

Judith K. Swenson - September 20, 2019 at 12:05 PM