



## Richard F. Brady

March 11, 1945 - October 4, 2023

Hampton - Richard F. Brady, 78, of Hampton, N.H., passed away unexpectedly on October 4, 2023 while scuba diving in Rockport, MA, alongside his brother-in-law, Alan O. Leao.

Richard was born in Somerville, MA and was the son of Alice DiLazzaro and stepson of Bill DiLazzaro. He graduated Quincy High School on June 2, 1962 and went on to study at Benjamin Franklin Cummings Institute of Technology and then received his Bachelor of Science and Master's Degrees in Electrical Engineering from Lowell Technological Institute (now part of the University of Massachusetts). Richard served in the United States Army for several years. Following his military service, he continued to serve his country working most of his professional career at The MITRE Corporation, a not-for-profit organization that supports U.S. government agencies in aviation, homeland security and other national defense matters. After retiring, Richard spent 18 years as an ambassador at Sugarbush Ski Resort in Warren, VT.

Richard is survived by his loving wife of 51 years, Barbara Brady, his brother, Robert Brady, and his sister, Anne Brady Butler. He is also survived by his two children, Mary-Alice Miller and Bill Brady, his son-in-law, Robert Miller, Bill's partner, Erjona Mete, his two grandchildren, Kaitlyn and Jake Miller, and his three granddogs, Zeke, Chase and Layla.

Richard and Barbara spent most of their married life in Tewksbury, MA, where they raised their two children. They eventually landed in Hampton, NH, where they enjoyed many walks along Hampton Beach, attended local concerts and frequented many local restaurants.

Richard lived his life to its fullest, spending his free time diving, hiking, skiing, reading history books, traveling and, most important to him, spending time with family and friends. In the winters, Richard spent his time skiing at Sugarbush and was a member of the Sugarbush Ski Race Team. In the summers, Richard spent most of his time boating and sitting by the campfire with family and friends at Mousam Lake in Shapleigh, ME. He was a member of the lake's scuba dive program, focused on removing invasive plants, and occasionally did recreational dives at the lake...he even logged a dive to find one of the lost dog toys.

Richard loved making people laugh and was known as the family jokester. Richard's fingers were frequently seen in the form of bunny ears in family pictures and his frequent use of Bart Simpson quotes always elicited laughs and smiles.

To Richard, freedom and family meant everything. One day while sitting with his daughter, Richard turned to her and asked her to listen to the first few lyrics of the song he was about to play. He then played Lee Greenwood's God Bless The USA –

If tomorrow all the things were gone  
I worked for all my life  
And I had to start again  
With just my children and my wife  
I thank my lucky stars  
To be living here today

'Cause the flag still stands for freedom  
And they can't take that away

As a proud veteran and an avid supporter of our veterans, as well as a staunch supporter of education, in lieu of flowers, charitable donations in Richard's name can be made to:

Wounded Warrior Project - <https://www.woundedwarriorproject.org/>

Tunnel to Towers Foundation - <https://t2t.org/>

Benjamin Franklin Institute of Technology - <https://franklincummings.edu/>

In memory of Richard Brady (rbbrady5@comcast.net)

Visiting hours will be held from 3 to 6 pm on Wednesday, October 18, 2023 in the Remick & Gendron Funeral Home – Crematory, 811 Lafayette Road, Hampton. Visitation will conclude at 6 pm with military honors rendered by the United States Army Honor Guard.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT 18. 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Remick & Gendron Funeral Home - Crematory  
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## Military Honors

OCT 18. 6:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

SI

“ My husband and I are scuba divers and knew Richard as a dive student (Paul certified him in several classes in 2006), fellow diver, dive club member at Northeast Scuba and friend. We are so sad and sorry to hear about his death. Richard always had a smile on his face and a warm greeting when we saw him. Richard was a scuba diver who you would not expect to die in a dive accident because he was thoughtful and careful and trained. Our heart breaks for your loss... the world's loss. We send our deepest sympathy and an enormous hug. Sarah



Sarah Indelicato - November 01, 2023 at 01:53 AM



“ We first met Richard and Barbara at Mousam lake. At the time we had no running water. As I sat on the steps to the water trying to convince myself to rinse off in the freezing water, Richard came by in his small boat. He asked what I was doing and after talking for a bit he offered up their place for a nice shower. Next morning there he was dropping off their key as they were headed home. Mind you, we'd just met. Richard and Barbara are the most giving people I know. We'll miss him and keep him in our hearts.

Jodi Rajaniemi - October 20, 2023 at 07:45 AM

TR

“ I am sending the biggest hug to the entire Brady family. Mr. Brady was always so supportive of me on the track team with Mary Alice back in high school. My heart is with him and I am thinking of you all during this time.

Tammie Robie - October 18, 2023 at 04:12 AM

PW

“ We met Barbara and Dick 21 years ago on a Bermuda cruise. Dennis and Dick were paired up as dive buddies. Because they clicked so well, Dennis invited Barbara and Dick to join us for our 20th anniversary dinner. It just so happened Barbara and Dick were celebrating their 30th anniversary! Best decision ever! We have been great friends ever since! The whole Brady family is so positive and make you feel like you are family. Dick always teased me and I loved the banter between us. We truly feel we lost a family member. I could write a whole book on how great they are but everybody already knows! Dick, you will be truly missed. You will always be in our hearts and on every dive trip that Dennis goes on, you will be his guardian angel.  
Love, Phyllis and Dennis



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**Phyllis and Dennis Wells** - October 16, 2023 at 10:04 PM

MI

“ Mike lit a candle in memory of Richard F. Brady



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**Mike** - October 14, 2023 at 03:28 PM

MT

“ My husband and I met Richard at the dive shop and then traveled to Bonaire with him. His chasmic personality was perfect. Mike and Richard hit it off from the start. He called my husband "Mike Nelson". He was supportive of Mike learning to dive and so happy for him when he completed his certification, he insisted to be in photos. He spoke to me many times about dive safety. We send my love and prayers to family.....Mike & Charlene Toohey (Dive Friends)



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Mike & Charlene Toohey - October 14, 2023 at 03:27 PM

ER

“ Well it hard to put everything in words. I met Richard and Barbara right after buying our place on the lake. They both couldn't do enough for us from making us feel so welcome and helping out whenever and whatever they could do for you. Richard always had that quick one liner to get everyone laughing most of which pointed at either himself or his lovely wife Barbara. Both being very giving people. After meeting their children you couldn't help but taking a liking to them as well. Richard and I always ragged on each other about our truck preference. I have to give one last quip to say maybe wherever he is at he finally has a big boy truck instead of a Ford.  
Richard and the whole family will always be in my thoughts. He and his humor and generosity will be greatly missed. Love you Richard

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Elton Rajaniemi - October 14, 2023 at 06:11 AM

JC

“ I worked with Dick at MITRE and he was an extraordinary mentor. My success as a Group Leader is directly attributable to Dick. He once told me, “Consider it a privilege to pay for your child’s education.” Dick then indicated an acquaintance was spending the same amount of money on his child for drug rehabilitation programs. Another time Dick emphasized “Your job is to make sure the system you develop or improve allows military personnel to successfully execute their mission. And, make sure it enables them to return home safely to their family.”

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**Jim Cattell** - October 13, 2023 at 09:43 PM

RB

“ Dick Brady hired me at the Mitre Corp in 1979. He was and remains to this day one of the best mentors I have had the privilege of crossing paths with. I will long remember him and his wisdom.

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**Ray Bahr** - October 13, 2023 at 08:58 PM

MM

“ Richard was a very kind neighbor, always offering help and kindness. He always had a funny line to offer to emit a smile. He will be greatly missed at 511.

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**Marie McDonough** - October 13, 2023 at 04:21 PM

DH

“ We were lucky to have Richard as a neighbor at Hampton Beach and at Mousam Lake. He was a man who loved his family and his country. Richard was always willing to help whenever it was needed. He will be missed by many.  
Debbie and Jim Harrison

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**Deborah Harrison** - October 13, 2023 at 10:14 AM

GB

“ We were fortunate to meet Richard this Summer when he volunteered his diving services to our lake association's dive team here on Mousam Lake. He was a valued addition to our team, not only for his vast experience but for his tales of past dives and his great sense of humor. He will be missed at future dive events. R.I.P. Richard and our condolences to his friends and family members.  
Gary and Ann Brown

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**Gary Brown** - October 13, 2023 at 06:23 AM