



## Rick D. Watson

December 24, 1967 - November 7, 2022

Rick D. Watson, 54 of Bluffton, passed away early Monday morning, November 7, 2022, at his residence, surrounded by his family.

He was born on December 24, 1967, in Bluffton, Indiana to Arnold G. & Thelma J. (Darrow) Watson. A 1988 graduate of Southern Wells High School, Rick worked at Almco Steel Products in Bluffton for many years. He was a talented woodworker and enjoyed spending time with his family.

Rick is survived by 2 children: Colton R. (Mikala) Watson of Bluffton and Madison P. Watson of Liberty Center and was a loving "Grandpa Rick to 4 granddaughters: Adalynn Watson, Sawyer Watson, Sadie Watson and Rory Watson. He is also survived by his wife of 33 years, April Watson of Liberty Center and siblings: Roger Watson of Bluffton, Ronnie Watson of Bryant, Ellen (Ron) Rasawehr of Geneva and Helen (Tony) Billman of Pennville.

Rick is preceded in death by a son, Clayton D. Watson in 2019 and three brothers: Kelly, David and Shelby Watson.

Visitation hours will be held from 10 A.M. to 1 P.M. on Friday (November 11, 2022) at the Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home in Bluffton. Funeral Services will follow visitation at 1 P.M. on Friday at the funeral home. Burial will follow at Stahl Cemetery in rural Bluffton.

Memorials may be made in Rick's memory to the charity of the donor's choice. Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the care of the Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home in Bluffton. Friends can send online condolences to the Watson family at [www.thomarich.com](http://www.thomarich.com).



# Cemetery Details

## Stahl Cemetery

3191 E 700 S  
Bluffton, IN

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV 11. 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home  
308 West Washington Street  
Bluffton, IN 46714  
<http://www.thomarich.com>

## Funeral Service

NOV 11. 1:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



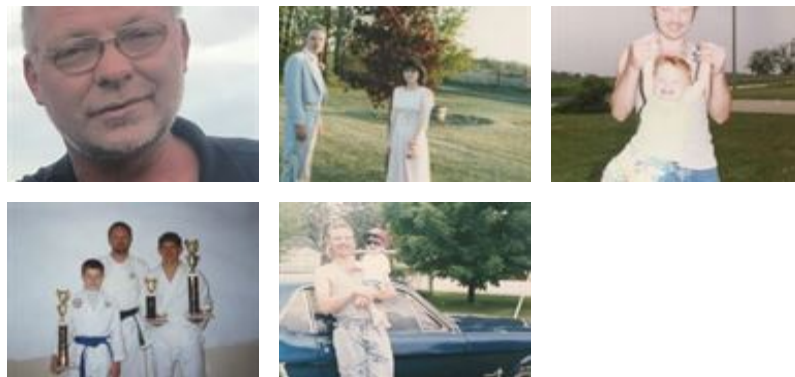
“ *Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Rick D. Watson*



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**Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home** - November 11, 2022 at 10:33 AM



“ *122 files added to the album Life Tributes*



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**Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home** - November 09, 2022 at 04:03 PM



*Miss you brother.*

*Bobby*

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**Robby Sympson** - November 09, 2023 at 07:05 PM

MT

“ I have many fond memories of Rick when I was growing up. One that comes to mind regularly is our 6th grade McCormick’s Creek trip when he became known as Ranger Rick. Thinking of his entire family during this time.

Megan Tungate - November 08, 2022 at 06:45 PM



Thank you Megan , I believe I remember finding a stack of Ranger Rick magazines in our mailbox once . Thanks for sharing !

April Watson - November 23, 2022 at 01:38 AM



“ Sara Watson lit a candle in memory of Rick Watson



Sara Watson - November 08, 2022 at 01:28 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Rick D. Watson.



November 08, 2022 at 11:09 AM

RM

“ *Rose Marshall lit a candle in memory of Rick Watson*



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**Rose Marshall** - November 08, 2022 at 07:58 AM

RW

“ *RICK my heart is broken but im warmed by your heartfelt memories of your unconditional love and the memories continue to bring a smile through the tears peace and all through the pain love you RICK*

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**RONNIE WATSON** - November 08, 2022 at 12:38 AM

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“ *So so sorry to hear about Ricky. I remember him as a spunky boy playing in the streets in Petroleum along with others . Thoughts and prayer to the Watson family*



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**Rosalee Hockenberry** - November 07, 2022 at 04:13 PM