



Richard John Benz

July 10, 1949 - April 7, 2021

A beautiful soul departed this world on April 7, 2021, our beloved Richard John Benz. Born July 10, 1949 to John Conrad Benz and Helen Eileen Cody, was a professional business analyst for Argo out of Dallas, Texas. An air force veteran, a fan and human encyclopedia of J. R. Tolkien and the Lord of the Rings, an avid runner for charities and a huge supporter of St. Jude's Children's hospital. He loved fantasy and science fiction and collected wizards and dragons. He was a loving and devoted husband and father and will be dearly missed. He is survived by his wife, Grace Marie Mulligan Benz of over 40 years, his daughter Merlee Marie Bryan and grandsons; Vinsun Hansel Bryan and Ezra Star Bryan of the Virgin Islands, Dylan John and Ashlea Pate Benz; grandchildren, Cora Michele Benz, Kit Lasker Benz, of Stephen City, VA., James Adrian Benz, Giuliana Maria Ferreira Bonilla Benz, of North Carolina. He will join his youngest son, Christian Conrad Benz, of Memphis, Tennessee and his parents John Conrad Benz and Helen Eileen Cody Benz, of Lavallette, New Jersey on the other side. He is also survived by his sister, Nancy Benz Berke of New York, NY, Thomas and Eileen Benz, of New Rochelle, NY, John and Karen Benz of Shelton, CT., James and Joyce Benz of Menio Mark, CA.

Tribute Wall



“ *Williams Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Richard John Benz*



Williams Funeral Home - June 03, 2021 at 02:20 PM

GB

“ *Celebrating your birthday today here on earth and sending you prayers in heaven, my love. You are always here in my heart where I hold you dear, honey. Thanks for our years together and all the cherished memories we shared.*

Grace Benz - July 10, 2021 at 05:58 PM

MD

“ *Sending healing thoughts and prayers for all. Knowing the Benz family has been a blessing in my family's life. A treasured and true friendship for many years. Richard was loved and respected. He will be missed. Rest in peace. Mary Davis and family.*

Mary davis - July 04, 2021 at 12:25 PM

GR

“ *I love you, Richard, and miss you every day. You were my rock and my and my heart aches for you every day. Be at peace now, comforted by all those who love you.*

Grace - June 29, 2021 at 04:46 PM

KG

“ *My sincerest condolences to all the family and friends.
I didn't know John but remembered his Dad. He had the Benz
Greyhound Travel Agency. John shared the family tree with me and
I learned quite a lot.
I always liked reading about his runs and helped to support St.
Jude's.
May you R.I.P.*

Kathy Benz Gareri - June 13, 2021 at 08:52 AM

RB

“ *Richard was your champion, your anchor, and you are his! It was so
easy to admire and bask in your reverence for life, together and apart.
I grieve this great man's loss to the world.*

Rev Colkeen Brown - June 11, 2021 at 05:30 PM