



Richard E. "Boatman" Pate

January 21, 1970 - September 15, 2024

Richard E. "Boatman" Pate, age 54 years, a resident of rural Vienna, Illinois and a former resident of Kenosha, Wisconsin, passed away unexpectedly Sunday evening, September 15, 2024, at 9:02 P.M. at Deaconess Regional Healthcare in Marion, Illinois.

Richard was born January 21, 1970 in Kenosha, Wisconsin. He was the youngest of four children born to Billy Joe Pate and Charlotte R. (Schroeder) Pate.

Richard is survived by: his wife – Cass Rushing of Vienna; children – Gregory Pate, Robert (Gabby) Pate, Alexandra (Zac) Eidsor, Felicity Sage, Alexis Pate, and Layla Pate; 2 grandchildren – Mason and McKenna; and sisters – JoAnn Engels, Mary (Scott) Lind, and Linda Blaine.

In addition to his parents, Richard was preceded in death by a brother-in-law – Patrick Engles.

Richard was a self-employed marine mechanic. He enjoyed fishing and playing the guitar.

A memorial service will be held at a later date which will be announced once plans are finalized.

Memorials may be directed to the family.

To share a memory of Richard or to leave an online message of condolence for his family, please visit www.baileyfh.com

Arrangements have been entrusted to Bailey Funeral Home in Vienna.

Tribute Wall



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Layla Pate - December 17, 2025 at 02:40 PM



“ this is my dad. i lowkey don't miss him chat

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