



Richard Eugene Waits

September 25, 1940 - November 2, 2025

Obituary for Richard Eugene Waits

Richard Eugene Waits, age 85, of Pasadena, Maryland, passed away peacefully at home on November 1, 2025, in the home he built, where he and his family shared 52 wonderful years together.

Born on September 25, 1940, in Chillicothe, Ohio, he was the son of the late Ida Maxine Rush and Edward Eugene Waits, and the stepson of the late Edison Clare “Rusty” Rush.

Dick is survived by his devoted wife of 56 years, Nancy Waits; two loving daughters, Cindy Wengert and her husband Timothy, and Debbie Gilberto and her husband Edward; and his cherished grandchildren, Billy Ramsey and his wife Cambryn, Andrew Gilberto, Ryan Wengert, Matthew Gilberto and his wife Alexis, and great grandson Waylon. He is also survived by his siblings Nancy Sue Hall, Victoria Muzzco, and Edison Rush.

A Master Carpenter, Dick worked for Conrad Protzman for many years and was known for his incredible skill — he could build or fix just about anything. He proudly served six years in the United States Navy as a Petty Officer First Class, spending much of his service aboard the USS Triton nuclear submarine.

Dick was an active and dedicated member of the Magothy Forge Community for over 52 years, serving in various capacities and contributing to its growth and spirit. He was also a longtime member of the Cedar Room /Associates, where he made lifelong friendships and shared countless good times.

Known for his hardworking nature, honesty and the love he had for his entire extended family. Dick loved working in his workshop and spending time outdoors. One of his greatest joys was fishing with his grandchildren and friends.

He will be deeply missed by all who knew and loved him.

In true Dick fashion, we'll celebrate his life the way he lived it — surrounded by good company, laughter, and good food.

Please join us for a Celebration of Life in his honor. We ask that you RSVP using the link below so we can be sure to have enough food for everyone.

If you'd like to bring a dish to share, we would love that! The form includes a space to let us know what type of dish you're bringing — appetizer, side, or dessert — and what it's called.

<https://forms.gle/G1XNVqd9DnxxM77m6>

We look forward to gathering together to share memories, stories, and the love he gave to us all.

Celebration of Life details- November 15th at the America Legion in Severna Park

832 Manhattan Beach Rd, Severna Park Md. 21146

1pm until 5pm, All are welcome

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Heartland Hospice, or the Chesapeake Bay Foundation in the name of Richard Waits.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

NOV **15**. 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

American Legion Severna Park
832 Manhattan Beach Rd
Severna Park, MD 21146

Tribute Wall

BB

“ Dick was the neighbor who lived across the street that we had come to regard as a very hardworking, honest man who everyone in the neighborhood could always count on for his knowledge of the community and for his generous help when needed. He is missed and the neighborhood will never be the same without him and all the time and energy he gave to us all. Sending love to Nancy and the rest of the family.

Bobbie & Mike <3

Brenda Boteler - November 15, 2025 at 07:32 AM

DA

“ I met Dick while working on a major renovation project in Paw Paw with his SiL Eddie. Dick would occasionally stop by and offer his suggestions and ideas. Sometimes he would even bring a folding chair saying he was just there to watch, but it was never long before he would pitch in and lend a helping hand. It felt great when we finished the project and got a "you done good" from Dick. His compliment meant a lot to me.

David - November 14, 2025 at 10:38 AM

MS

“ I had the pleasure of knowing Dick my entire adult life and soooo many Fantastic, Fun Filled Memories we had as members of The Cedar Room Pleasure Club which later was named The Associates Pleasure Club.

Driving past his home one would see The Big TV Dish and the Big Pool in the back yard. It always made me smile.

We all Love You Dickie Waits.

You will be dearly missed.

RIP my friend.

Mike Sweeney - November 04, 2025 at 07:41 PM

RE

“ Dick or “grandad” as we called him, opened his home and family to us. He was a kind and honest man that we came to love and enjoy his presence! Though we are not family by blood he treated us as such. Granddad you will be forever loved and missed. Your spirit will be with all of those you supported and cared about throughout the years. And there are many of us ❤️ sending love to Ammie,Debbie, Cindy and the rest of the family during this time

Rebecca - November 04, 2025 at 06:27 PM