



Richard "Burner" Colborn

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Richard "Burner" Colborn, passed away at the Veterans Memorial Hospital in Madison, WI on Thursday, September 26, 2019 at the age of 72, after an extended illness. He was born in the town of Louisville, IL on October 13, 1946. Burner attended school in Albany, WI and then entered the U.S. Army serving during Vietnam as an aircraft engine repairman. He was honorably discharged in 1968 and was a life member of Tomahawk VFW Post 2687. Most of his career was spent as a Local 498 ironworker in Rockford, IL, working on several projects including the roof at Miller Park. He loved living life on the edge, especially when riding his Harley he was the true dare devil and feared nothing. A real Harley man, ever since owning his first at 16 years old. He also enjoyed some of the safer things in life as boating, water skiing, fishing, hunting and ATV riding of course somehow, he managed to hurt something but just laughed it off. There was a very soft side he cared and helped where and when he was needed. He took on the role helping raising his nephew's and niece when the need came and not complaining. He would say he kept those boys so busy cutting wood for two houses that they didn't have time to get into trouble, he was proud of how they grew up. Burner had a great big heart but not everyone saw it. He had many friends and was grateful for them all. Burner is survived by his beloved sweetheart; Debra Carlson for the past 18 years, his loving daughter, the apple of his eye; Kelly (Scott) Wywialowski and his grandchildren, his pride and joy, Caden, Morgan and Zolton; his son, Rich (Nikki) Colborn. His loving extended family; Lisa (Chris) Murphy, their children, Ciara Cameron, Carson; Stephani (Ryan Bentley) Carlson, their children Alycia, Aubrey, Liam; Scott (Nikki) Carlson, their children, Thomas, Jillian, Julianna; Burner's siblings; Ronald Colborn, Karen Davis, Marilyn (Glenn) Sieren, Peggy (Bill) Leutenegger, Cindy Crandall; also survived by many nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends. Burner is preceded in death by his parents, Lawrence Colborn and



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Helen Davis; his grandparents, aunts and uncles.

Visitation will be held from 11:00 AM until 1:00 PM on Thursday, October 3rd at Holly Funeral Home in Wild Rose, WI. Graveside service will follow the visitation at Poy Sippi Cemetery in Poy Sippi. Online condolences available at www.hollyfuneralhome.com



Events

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Visitation

-  **Thursday**, October 3, 2019
-  11:00 AM - 1:00 PM CT
-  **A. J. Holly & Sons (Wild Rose)**
630 County Road CR-GH, Wild Rose WI 54984



Graveside Service

-  **Thursday**, October 3, 2019
-  1:30 PM CT
-  **Poy Sippi Cemetery**
County Road SS, Poy Sippi WI 54967

Cemetery Details

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SK

Sylvia Klinner posted:

Sorry for your loss Peg.

October 10 at 12:41 PM

MS

Melody Colborn Strahan posted:

Dickie was the best! I have so many fond memories...I have missed him a lot. I will always have a soft spot for my crazy big brother.

October 5 at 5:49 AM

BC

Barb Colborn posted:

Sending my deepest sympathies. Barb Colborn

October 3 at 3:20 AM

BN

Bonnie Stowers Stokes Niece lit a candle in honor of Richard "Burner".

October 2 at 7:53 PM



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October 2 at 7:51 PM



BD

Bonnie Niece Of Auncle Dick lit a candle in honor of Richard "Burner".

October 2 at 7:47 PM





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Anonymous sent a Tender Tribute to the Colborn family.



October 2 at 6:01 PM



Dawn Weber posted:

I was deeply saddened when Kelly sent me a message to let me know that Dick had passed away. I truly adored her dad. As a kid I spent a lot of time at Kelly's house and Dick and I always got along so well. Dick was the first person that I ever rode a motorcycle with. I remember on Friday nights in the summer, going over to his brother Ron's house and riding in the side car of his Harley. He would turn corners and the wheels of the side car would come right off the ground. He was such a great guy... I haven't seen him for years but I will always have the great memories I have of him. My heart is hurting for all of you, he will be missed by everyone that knew him.

October 2 at 3:29 AM



Dawn And Chris Weber, Bob And Judy Altenberg sent a Medium Dish Garden to the Colborn family.



October 2 at 3:21 AM



Jerry Kuter posted:

Burner... I loved it when he laughed when i called him the NickName i gave him. DICK-BURN. There was not a time that i remember that he let me down when i needed a life lesson or just to talk. I am so gonna miss him !!!

October 1 at 7:14 PM



Duane, Bonnie, Tanje And Laurie sent a Country Basket Blooms to the Colborn family.



October 1 at 12:08 PM



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Anonymous sent a Full Of Love Bouquet to the Colborn family.

September 30 at 4:02 PM



From Karen Davis Family sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Colborn family.

September 30 at 2:25 PM



Breanna Gunning posted:

He was a legend that will be missed greatly. I remember him putting a little swing made of rope and a board in his garage so that I could swing while he worked in there. Many great memories.

September 30 at 2:14 PM



The Colborns, Oldenbergs, And Gunnings sent a Medium Dish Garden to the Colborn family.

September 30 at 1:07 PM



Tom Decori posted:

Have many fond memories of Burner during our 4 wheeling trips and fun times with Norm and the boys either at Hanson's or Norms garage. Glad I had the opportunity to meet and have fun times with him. Funny guy. He will be missed. Condolences to the family.

September 30 at 11:22 AM



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J2

John Campbell (2Ply) sent a virtual gift in honor of Richard "Burner".

Memories of Burner...there are to many to post, but they live in the Treasure Chest in my heart. Burner had a sense of humor as we all know. I remember when Sarge passed, Burner attended the service with my wife Phyllis and myself in Rockford, at a beautiful old Polish church. The organist began playing, Burner picked up the hymnal, turn to the page, held the hymnal for a few minutes, then passed it to Phyllis. Taking the hymnal, she smiled, thanked Burner, it was then she realized it was written in Polish ! When the minister stood at the pulpit, Burner leaned over and said, "Hey 2Ply, when are they going to bring Sarge in" ? I leaned over and said, " He's already up there, in the little box, under the pulpit". Burner was silent for a moment, then he leaned over and said, " How did they get him in there" . Burner, my friend, you were one of a kind . Thanks for the love, laughter and memories my friend... Until we meet again....2 Ply



September 29 at 4:59 PM

CM

Cameron Murphy posted:

When he would take us on his boat and we would ride it to DairyQueen

September 29 at 3:57 PM

CC

Connie Cowell posted:

To the family of Burner....my most heartfelt condolences go out to you all. I pray that you find comfort in his memory. Always, Connie Cowell

September 29 at 3:55 PM

DG

Dave And Kathy Gerber lit a candle in honor of Richard "Burner".



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Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Richard "Burner" by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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