



Rick Dekker

September 1, 1947 - June 1, 2023

Rick Warren Dekker, 75, of Ft. McCoy, FL, passed away on June 1, 2023, in his home from natural causes.

Rick was born Fredrick William Unger on September 1, 1947, to Evelyn & Roger Unger in Grand Rapids, MI. His mother remarried when he was five to Warren Dekker, who adopted him. He attended Forest Hills Northern ("66 tough as bricks" was a commonly heard mantra in the Dekker household) and served his country in the Vietnam War right out of high school. Upon returning home, he married Gwyn Van Sickle Dekker, with whom he had his first daughter, Darcy. They divorced after three years, and Rick remarried Antoinette De Boer Dekker in 1975 and gained another beautiful daughter, Brenda Colley Maynard. Rick and Antoinette went on to have three more daughters in their thirty (35) years of marriage.

In 1978 they moved their family to Dallas in order for Rick to attend Christ for the Nations Institute, where he received a seminary degree in Theological Studies. After graduation, Rick and his family spent a year in Corpus Christi, TX, before relocating to Florida to be closer to Warren and Evelyn. It was there in Eureka, FL that they met and fell in love with their son, Shane Dekker, who they adopted a few years later. As life would have it, the Dekker family made a move back to Michigan for a season when Rick and Antoinette again returned to Florida in 2001 as empty nesters.

His six children and their spouses are Darcy Dekker; Brenda Maynard Stephen; Renee Deckrow Aaron; Jennifer Collison and husband; Stephanie

Miller, and Shane Dekker, each one his pride and joy. Rick was predeceased by Roger Unger, Evelyn Dekker, Warren Dekker, and siblings Judy, Jerry, & Victor Unger. He is survived by his brother Roger Unger Jr., his six children and their spouses, 16 grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren.

A Private Service will be held at Roberts of Ocala Downtown Chapel on June 8, 2023. The family would love for you to leave comments or a shared memory by clicking on this Google Form.

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Previous Events

Memorial Service

JUN 8. 3:00 PM (ET)

Roberts of Ocala Downtown Chapel
606 SW 2nd AVE
Ocala , FL 34471

Tribute Wall



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