



Larry H. Ritchard

August 31, 1947 - August 1, 2018

Larry Howard Ritchard, age 70, of Kettering, passed away on August 1, 2018. He was born on August 31, 1947 to Leonard and Virginia Ritchard. Larry was a loving husband, father and Papa. He was a Marklin enthusiast. Larry graduated from the Air Force Academy in 1970 and served his country in the Air Force, where he was honored for his exemplary service by receiving the Meritorious Service Medal. After serving 21 years in the Air Force, he enjoyed a second career at NCR. He was preceded in death by his parents and his favorite Uncle Dave and Aunt Charlotte. Larry is survived by his loving wife of 48 years Cheryl (Bruch) Ritchard; two daughters, Laura Ritchard, and Nicole (Matt) Bravard; a son, Larry (Melissa) Ritchard, Jr.; three grandchildren, Xander, Samantha and Jacob; a brother, Leonard (Carole) Ritchard, Jr.; and a sister, Sandy (Jon) Raymond; and many nieces and nephews. The family will hold private graveside services. In lieu of flowers, the family requests contributions be made in memory of Larry Ritchard to The Cleveland Clinic, P.O. Box 931517, Cleveland, OH 44193-1655. Arrangements in care of Schlientz-Moore & Reis. You are welcome to send condolences or share a favorite story of Larry at www.reislegacycenter.com.

Cemetery Details

Dayton National Cemetery

4100 West Third Street
Dayton, OH 45428

Tribute Wall

NT

“ I worked with Larry as a vendor partner when I was at Walker Information and Larry was with NCR. I greatly appreciated the working relationship with him as he was kind, supported his internal team, and spent time getting to know our team as well. I have two favorite memories from Larry...the first is Larry would share how wonderful marriage was... I was fortunate to marry my husband when I was working with Larry (now 20 years ago). Larry investigated where my husband and I would be going for our honeymoon based on small questions he would ask me and to my surprise in our room on our cruise was a note from Larry wishing us a wonderful honeymoon along with a bottle of champagne. It was a "wow" moment. The second was a memory when I traveled with my colleagues to Dayton for a meeting with him at NCR. He invited our team over to his home following the meeting to see his "Train room". It was so amazing and I will never forget the magnificent set-up in this garage. It is wonderful to share "life moments" with people over the years. Larry will be remembered for his genuine interest in others.

Nicole Taylor - August 17, 2018 at 11:17 AM

DB

“ Dudley and Lois remember all the delicious steak from Larry's grill. We enjoyed many fun times on holidays together. We are so glad to call you family and will not forget you. Love, The Bravards

Dudley and Lois Bravard - August 13, 2018 at 07:45 PM

VE

“ I worked with Larry at NCR in the Quality area for several years - we kept in contact after we both left NCR - when I needed assistance repairing my porch on my Queen Anne Bed and Breakfast in Dayton, Larry spent many days restoring my porch and did this for only the cost of the materials. Their daughter worked at Walmart as a greeter for several years and it was such a blessing to see and be greeted by her.

Also, so enjoyed seeing his train collection.

Will so miss Larry and I send my sincere sympathy and prayers to Larry's family.

May the wonderful memories you have of Larry continue to provide comfort to you and your family and friends.

*Love and Blessings,
Vicky Evans*

Vicky Evans - August 13, 2018 at 04:25 PM

TC

“ Larry and I worked together at NCR in the quality division for many years. After retirement and moving to Colorado, whenever I returned to Dayton to see family, Larry and a few others from NCR would always gather for lunch, typically at Marion's Pizza. Always good times of reminiscing of the “old” NCR days. A special treat was when Larry would show off his trains in the basement of his home. He had a remarkable set up of which he was so proud. I will truly miss Larry and our special times together

Tom Casperson - August 13, 2018 at 02:30 PM

HC

“ Dear Cheryl & Family,

We were so sorry to hear of Larry's passing. We are in LA visiting our son and I happened to look at the DDN on line and saw Larry's obituary. We were so shocked. We will miss talking to Larry at Trent, especially commiserating about AF football,

You are in our thoughts and prayers.

Harry & Terry Calcutt

Harry Calcutt - August 11, 2018 at 01:08 PM

BH

“ *I will always remember Larry. He and Cher were responsible for introducing me to the love of my life. We were all in college together in 1969. I went to Larry and Cher's wedding after graduation and Cece and I were married in 1973. Cece and Cher would keep up on each other's lives through Christmas letters over the years. I would remember Larry often. It was great to see Larry and Cher at our 40th reunion. I was very surprised to learn of his passing. Our prayers will be with you, Cher.*

Bob Holt - August 10, 2018 at 10:54 AM

JC

“ *Had the good fortune to sit next to Larry and work with him at NCR WHQ for several years. He had the most integrity and was the most reliable person I may have ever met. Absolutely somebody you could count on and he was skilled in many areas. I was with him on 9-11 as the towers came down and we learned what was happening. Will never forget Larry and our prayers go out to his family. - Jeff Cole*

Jeff Cole - August 09, 2018 at 10:05 AM

JM

“Debbie and I were so blessed by the friendship of Larry, Cher, and their wonderful family since we became friends early in our AF assignments. Larry was a great professional and even greater family man. We have so many fond memories of sharing laughs, experiences, model trains, and fond memories. Cher, we are praying for you and your family during this difficult time.

Jim Mulford - August 09, 2018 at 08:00 AM

BW

“So very sorry to hear of Larry’s passing. We are sending our love and prayers to all the family. We go back many years to our shared times at USAFA. We remember well many fun “Dirty Thirty” parties and your June Week wedding. Also remember your visit to us in Florida early on. We have kept in touch over the years and value our shared memories. Sending really big hugs to all the family, and especially to you, Cher ❤️ Billie Woodard

billie woodard - August 08, 2018 at 06:28 PM

RW

“I am stunned and saddened to hear of Larry's death. We shared many experiences as we dated our future spouses who were the "girls who brought the light to our world" at USAFA. Billie and I stayed in touch with Larry and Cher through Christmas letters over the years, and last saw them at our 40th class reunion. Our condolences go out to Cher and her family. Larry will never be forgotten. Rich Woodard '70

Rich Woodard - August 08, 2018 at 05:27 PM