

# Richard S. Bowers, Jr.

January 9, 1946 ~ May 24, 2023 77 Years Old

## Obituary & Services

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Richard S. Bowers Jr., a loving father, grandfather, and devoted partner, passed away peacefully on May 24, 2023, in Mishawaka, Indiana. Born in Boston, Massachusetts, on January 9, 1946, to Richard S. and Doris (Rich) Bowers, Richard was a man of many talents and interests who touched the lives of countless individuals throughout his 77 years.

Richard was a proud and accomplished alumnus of two prestigious institutions, having earned his bachelor's degree from Harvard University and his law degree from Boston College. He went on to enjoy a successful career as a corporate lawyer, serving Coachmen and Keystone RV for over 20 years. His dedication and expertise in his field were truly remarkable, and he was highly respected by his colleagues and clients alike.

Richard's passion for trains was evident in the intricate and elaborate model railroad he built and maintained throughout his life. This love of locomotives extended to his volunteer work at the National New York Central Railroad Museum in Elkhart, where he shared his knowledge and enthusiasm with visitors of all ages. Richard's commitment to preserving and promoting the history of rail travel made a lasting impact on the museum and its patrons.

In addition to his love for trains, Richard was an avid boater and enjoyed vacationing at Cape Cod with his family and friends. His adventurous spirit and appreciation for the beauty of nature were evident in the many memories he created on the water. A talented artist, Richard was also an accomplished drummer who had a deep love for music.

Richard is survived by his loving girlfriend, Marjorie Shroff; his sons, Richard S. (Deborah) Bowers III of Virginia, Ray (Krista) Bowers Mishawaka, Indiana, and Dwight (Ashley) Bowers of Michigan; his brother, Lawrence Bowers of Massachusetts; and his eight cherished grandchildren, Christopher, Michael, Timothy, Levi, Ava, Rayven, Ashton, Bridgette, and 1 great grandchild Malakhi. He was preceded in death by his parents, grandchild Gabe, and sister, Jean Post.

Throughout his life, Richard was known for his kindness, generosity, and unwavering dedication to his loved ones. His warm and caring nature made him a beloved figure in his community, and his memory will be cherished by all who knew him. In celebrating Richard's life, we remember a man who lived with passion, integrity, and a deep love for those around him. His lasting impact on his family, friends, and community will be felt for generations to come.

Funeral services for Richard will be held at 12:00 p.m. on Saturday, June 3, 2023 at Palmer Funeral Home – Hickey Chapel, 17131 Cleveland Road, South Bend, IN 46635. Friends may visit with the family beginning at 10:00 a.m. at the funeral home prior to the service. Graveside service and burial will immediately follow at St. Joseph Valley Memorial