



## Richard E. Palukaitis

July 26, 1962 - September 2, 2025

Richard E. Palukaitis, age 63, passed away peacefully on Tuesday, September 2, 2025.

Richard was the beloved companion of Robert Small (deceased) and a devoted brother to Lisa (Tony) Szpak; Victoria (Dan) Policard; and preceded in death by Steven, and Lorraine (Mike) Gosciejew. He was a cherished uncle to Katherine and Joey Szpak; Caroline and Jack Policard; Emily (Tim) Jones; John (Shannon) Gosciejew; and Ben Gosciejew, and a great-uncle to Violet and Mackenzie. To his family and friends, Richard will always be remembered for his kindness, quick wit, and generous spirit. He had a way of making everyone feel welcomed and loved.

A private service was held for immediate families. Memorial contributions in Richard's name can be made to the American Cancer Society or Hospice of the Western Reserve, whose care and compassion brought comfort during his final journey.