



## Richard W. Sykes

October 26, 2019

Richard W. Sykes, 73, of New Bedford, passed away Saturday, October 26, 2019, after a courageous battle with cancer, at St. Joseph's Manor, in Brockton. He was the loving husband to JoAnne (Christensen) Sykes.

Born and raised in New Bedford, son of the late Walter and Bertha E. (Sherman) Sykes, he was a lifelong resident of the city. He graduated from New Bedford Vocational High School and then served in the U.S. Army in Vietnam and was a Sergeant at the time of his discharge.

Dick was a brick mason and member of the Local #3 Union of Boston and he also worked at Teledyne Rodney Metals for 27 years until his retirement at age 64. He enjoyed golfing and fishing, trips to Foxwoods, playing poker at the Tavern with his buddy's, a good cigar and a Coors Light.

He is survived by his wife; two sons, Derek Sykes and his wife Amanda of Maynard and Ryan Sykes of New Bedford; and four grandchildren, Daniel, Andrew, Audri and Gabby, whom he loved very much.

In accordance with his wishes he will be cremated and a private graveside service with military honors will be held at Sacred Heart Cemetery in New Bedford. Arrangements are by the Donaghy-Hathaway Funeral Home, 465 County St., New Bedford.

Memorial donations may be made in his name to a charity of your choice.

# Comments

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“ Dear Jo Anne,  
Our deepest sympathy on the great loss of your husband.  
Prayers, Ayako and Gerry

**Ayako & Gerry Rooney** - November 04 at 10:01 AM

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“ My Deepest Sympathy to the family. Worked with Dick at Rodney.. RIP GAIL ALVES

**Gail Alves** - November 03 at 04:47 PM

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“ Joanne, I am so sorry to learn of the passing of your husband, Dick and I played a lot of golf when we were kids, shared lots of laughs playing, when our paths would cross he often spoke of how lucky he was to have such a wonderful wife, he was shocked to learn that you and I grew up together and went to school together, I told him how lucky he was to have you. Dick was a great guy really a great guy,,, Chuckie Morris

**Chuck Morris** - November 01 at 10:50 PM



“ So sorry to hear of Dick's passing. Dick and I worked together as bricklayers often. Will always be in our hearts, what a great guy he was and will not be forgotten. Rest In Peace, Godspeed

**David Gomes** - November 05 at 10:13 AM

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“ We are so sorry for your loss, Joanne, Derek , Ryan and family. I hope the memories you have of him will ease the pain of his death. He loved you all and fought so hard. May you rest in Peace, Dick. Love Danny and Joye

**Joyce Calnen** - October 30 at 09:23 PM

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“ My sincere condolences to his family. May he Rest In Peace.  
Tammy Souza

**Tammy Souza** - October 30 at 07:36 PM