



## Mr. Richard (Rick) William Holm

July 18, 1959 - December 5, 2022

Richard (Rick) Holm was born in Detroit, Michigan on July 18, 1959, to Herbert William and Vernetta Mae Holm. Rick grew up in Winter Park, Florida, and graduated from Winter Park High School in 1977. He went on to ROTC in college.

Rick was in Healthcare and the helping professions for most of his life. He began as a Firefighter/Paramedic with Orange County Fire and Rescue; he went on to become a Registered Nurse and worked in the Emergency Department at Mission Memorial Hospital until he was diagnosed with Plasmacytoma which forced his retirement.

During his time working, he also became a Paramedic Instructor at Valencia Community College and worked as an Instructor at Mid-Florida Technical Institute. He was an Instructor and Instructor Trainer for BLS, ALCS, PALS, BTLS, PHTLS, and ATLS. He also had Teachers and Criminal Justice Certifications in the State of Florida.

Rick was an alumnus of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security Healthcare Leadership For Mass Casualty Incidents in Aniston, Alabama, and worked on the State Medical Assistance Team (SMAT).

In 1992, Rick married his wife, Gale Holm, and became an instant father to two pre-teen boys, Randy Michael Ganger and Timothy Ian Ganger. Rick and Gale had a child of their own, Alexander Wolfgang Holm in 1999. Rick and Gale were celebrating 30 years of marriage when he passed on December 5, 2022.

Rick is survived by his wife, Gale, his mother, Vernetta Holm, his sisters, Linda Arico and Amy Holm Stamey as well his children and grandchildren: Randy, Tim, and Alex as well as Cia and Max Ganger, Penelope Ganger, and Xander Ganger.

He was preceded in death by his brother, David Holm, and his father, Herbert William Holm.

Rick enjoyed skydiving, scuba diving, competitive shooting, and spending time on the water. He loved and was much loved by his pride of cats. Mostly, he loved his wife, children and grandchildren, and friends, who became his close confidants at the end.

Highlands Cremation & Funeral Care is serving the family and messages and condolences to the family may be sent to [www.highlandscremationcare.com](http://www.highlandscremationcare.com).

# Tribute Wall

RJ

“ I realize none of you know me but I knew Rick quite well. He was my roommate in college at Fla Tech in 77-78. And we remained friends while he was there. He was great guy, brave, smart, loyal, and not afraid to do what was right. I lost contact with him after he left I am not surprised that he went into the helping professions and became a nurse. I just kind of stumbled upon this obituary and I extend my sympathy to his family, I was quite fond of Rick and I am so sorry for your loss. He really was a super guy and I am very sorry to hear of his death. A lot of people miss him. Ronald A Jones, Summerfield, Florida

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**Ronald A Jones** - September 10, 2024 at 06:52 PM



“ Mr. Richard (Rick) William Holm

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October 09, 2023 at 01:52 AM



“ Mr. Richard (Rick) William Holm

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October 08, 2023 at 10:49 PM

JA

“ Loved working with Rick at Mission. He taught me a lot. When he couldn't hear me we so funny laughs. I hope you find peace in his passing❤️

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**Jeanne Anderson** - December 12, 2022 at 05:58 AM

PC

“ I absolutely loved working with Rick on the old B side before the ER expanded to add other pods. He was quick witted and full of life. He was such a talented person. Prayers to All the family..  
*Paula Case*

Paula Case - December 10, 2022 at 09:33 PM



“ Am keeping you and your family in my thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. Rick was a wonderful husband and father, teacher and nurse and will be missed by many.

Pauline Odom - December 10, 2022 at 09:02 AM

KM

“ My heart goes out to you Gale and your family. May God keep you in his hands and give you the peace and comfort you need now.  
*Love, Davene*

Karen Davene Madsen - December 10, 2022 at 08:46 AM

DC

“ Dottie Campbell lit a candle in memory of Mr. Richard (Rick) William Holm



Dottie Campbell - December 10, 2022 at 12:32 AM

LF

“ *Leta Floyd lit a candle in memory of Mr. Richard (Rick) William Holm*



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**Leta Floyd** - December 09, 2022 at 06:10 PM

LF

*Gail prayers for you and Rick's family .Rick will missed*

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**Leta Floyd** - December 09, 2022 at 06:11 PM

KS

“ *A good Guy and Good Nurse is now gone. I'm so sorry Gale!*

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**Kathy Stineman** - December 09, 2022 at 05:51 PM

KI

“ *Gale you and Rick were wonderful to work with I'm sorry to hear about Rick passing you and your family are in my prayers God Bless you all.*

*Love you Gail*

*Kim Evans*

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**Kim** - December 09, 2022 at 03:10 PM

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“ Gale and family members of Rick, I was so sorry to hear of Rick's passing. He was a wonderful person, friend, nurse and all round human being. He was also a pleasure to work with in A-2 at Mission. He will be missed by all who knew and was associated with him. May he rest in peace. God bless and comfort those he leaves here on this troubled earth until he welcomes us home once again.



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**David Buchanan (Barlowe)** - December 09, 2022 at 01:10 PM