



Richard J. Lopiccolo

June 12, 1955 - March 21, 2020

Richard J. Lopiccolo, age 64, of Monroeville, on Saturday, March 21, 2020. He was born in Brooklyn, NY to Jerome and Marie (Perri) Lopiccolo. Rich graduated from Bay Shore High School in Bay Shore, New York, and was a 1976 graduate of MIT, where he studied Physics. He had served in the U.S. Navy where he was a weapons officer. He worked at the Bettis Atomic Power Laboratory and then was a Principal Engineer at Westinghouse. He was a Councilman for the Municipality of Monroeville and also served on the Gateway School District Board of Directors. Rich is survived by his wife Judith and his son Eric. There will be no visitation or service.

Tribute Wall

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“ *Richard Lopiccoco wore a shirt & tie every day to class at Bay Shore high school. He was valedictorian of our class of 1972. His transcript was faultless. He was unopposed to U.S. forces in Vietnam. Though intimidated by his intelligence, his views were trustworthy.*

JLF - October 08, 2021 at 04:13 AM

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Although he was always his own man, the white shirt and tie morphed into a polo shirt by 9th or 10th grade. Hard to believe it's been 4 years since his passing. I so desperately want to discuss the events of the past few months with my friend. I know he would be horrified by the 60's style demonstrations on campuses and the extreme radicalization . I miss having that conversation, and even though he would have been caught off guard by the extreme nature of things, he would put everything in its historical context. He meticulously categorized the history of Nazi and Communist holocausts and if he was alive today, he may have started entries for Homs and Yarmouk massacres as well as Oct 17th. At least for a while, because of me and my family, Rich bought himself a menorah and would light candles during Chanukah. I'm not sure if he continued the practice all his life, but at least for a few years. I forgot to ask him about that. May his memory be a blessing.

Avi Golani - April 20, 2024 at 03:31 PM

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“ *Sincere condolences on Rich's untimely passing. He was a friend. His friendship and stimulating intellect will be missed.*

Keith Goldstein, MD - May 04, 2020 at 09:24 AM

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“ *My deepest condolences to the Lopiccolo family on Rich’s passing. I knew Rich as a colleague from Westinghouse and also when I lived in Monroeville and was involved with politicized education issues in the district. Rich was very much the intellectual with a quick wit and sense of humor who brought liveliness to an otherwise dull day. We will miss him dearly.*

Ginny Catullo - March 29, 2020 at 09:47 AM

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“ *Please accept my deepest sympathy on Rich's untimely passing. I knew Rich for many years through activities involving Monroeville government. Rich was a brilliant guy who always elevated the discussion of the day to a higher level. In the past few years, I would periodically run into him at Starbuck's and get a fresh dose of his perspective and his humor. Our community is a better place as a result of his involvement.*

Bob Wratcher - March 25, 2020 at 11:39 AM