



# Rickie W. Willson

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**M**r. Rickie Willson, age 55, passed away Monday evening, November 3, 2008. He was born December 22, 1952 in Muskegon to Robert and Mabel (Hyatt) Willson and had been a life resident of the area. Mr. Willson was a U.S. Air Force Veteran. He was a corrections officer for the Muskegon Correctional Facility for 25 years before his retirement in 2003. Mr. Willson loved spending time with family, especially his grandchildren, and also enjoyed wintering in Florida. On March 31, 1972 he married the former Diane M. Terrill in Muskegon and she survives him along with 2 daughters, Laura Willson of Tampa, FL, Lisa Willson of Muskegon; 3 grandchildren, Skye Larkin, D'Monte Willson, Starr Willson; 2 brothers, Robert (Phyllis) Willson, Terry (Janice) Willson both of Muskegon; sister, Linda (Jerry) Leafers of Newberry, MI; many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents. A MEMORIAL SERVICE will be held 11:00 AM Friday at Lakeside United Methodist Church with Rev. David Selleck officiating. VISITATION with the family will be one hour prior to the service. MEMORIALS to The American Cancer Society will be appreciated. Share memories with the family at their On-line Guest Book at [www.sytsemafh.com](http://www.sytsemafh.com) Arrangements by

The Walburn Chapel  
Sytsema Funeral Homes, Inc.  
1547 W. Sherman Blvd.  
(231) 759-8565



# Events

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## Visitation

 **Friday**, November 7, 2008

 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM ET

 **Nunica Cemetery**  
Nunica MI



## Service

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## Tribute Wall

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**Anonymous** posted:

My prayers are with you guys.##imported-begin##Sara Crosswhite##imported-end##

November 17 at 7:05 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

Lisa, Diane, Laura, Skye, D and Star -My heart goes out to all! I am so sorry about your dad, husband, and grandfather! Rick was a GREAT person, who I always enjoyed being around! He loved you all so very much! He was one the kindest and generous men I have ever met and I mean that!! will pray for you all and I love you! God Bless##imported-begin##Dwanya Davis##imported-end##

November 7 at 9:22 AM



**Anonymous** posted:

Laura & Lisa...My thoughts and prayers are with you during this sad time. Know that I am here for you if you need anything! Love, Meg##imported-begin##Meg Baker##imported-end##

November 7 at 5:41 AM



**Anonymous** posted:

Diane and family,Expressing sympathy is always difficult, but all I can say is how sorry I am. May the comfort of friends and family be your atrength now and in the days ahead. Lt. Wilson was the best of the best supervisors a person would want to work under. He was such a caring person, couldn't ask for a nicer person. Corrections is a tough place to work but with guys like Rick, it made it easier! He will be missed. Patricia Vorac retired RUO/MCF##imported-begin##Patricia Vorac (retired RUO /Diane and family,MCF)##imported-end##

November 5 at 6:37 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

Diane, Laura, and Lisa,I am so sorry to hear about your loss! Just wanted you to know that I was thinking of you all and you have my deepest sympathies.##imported-begin##Kelly Carlisle (Schrouder) and Family##imported-end##

November 5 at 3:39 PM



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**Anonymous** posted:

Bob, Terry, and the entire Willson family: You have my deepest condolences on the loss of Rick. Please know you are in my thoughts and prayers. Juli (Bollenbacher) LaPres###imported-begin##Juli (Bollenbacher) LaPres###imported-end##

November 5 at 1:41 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

I worked very closely with Rick for 20 years at the prison. I always found to be the most proficient, intelligent, and caring supervisor on the shift. Rick will truly be missed by his employees and the many lives he impacted. I can only tell you how saddened I am for your family in your time of loss. He was a great man. My thoughts and prayers are with you at this difficult time.###imported-begin##Patrick Powell###imported-end##

November 5 at 12:41 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

Diane, Laura, & Lisa, My prayers are with you and my heart breaks for you. Katrina Hansen###imported-begin##Katrina Hansen###imported-end##

November 5 at 11:55 AM



**Anonymous** posted:

Our hearts go out to you all, we love you and miss you greatly. please call and let us know if there is anything we can do at any time... your florida family ALWAYS###imported-begin##John, michel,shelby,chris& stephanie Ottinger###imported-end##

November 4 at 6:07 PM



## **Memories only last if you share them**

Join us in honoring Rickie W. by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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