



## Richard Keith Ward Sr.

September 14, 1954 - September 8, 2015

Richard "Rick" Keith Ward Sr. passed away peacefully in his sleep on September 8, 2015, after battling a long kidney illness. He was just short of his 61st birthday. Richard was born in Woodbridge, Virginia before moving to New Jersey. He lived in Long Branch and Ocean Township for many years before finally settling in West Long Branch.

Rick was a Mechanic by trade for many years as well as an avid fisherman. Rick spent a lot of his free time fishing with family and friends, such as his brother-in-law Phillip and his best friend John. Rick was an enormous sports fan. He enjoyed watching all sports especially with his wife and daughter. You would always find something sports related on the T.V., usually it would involve either the Mets or Giants he was a huge fan of both teams. He enjoyed being around his family.

Richard was predeceased by his father William "Howard" Ward and brother Jimmy. Surviving is his loving wife Gloria Ward, his mother Lucy "Frances" Ward, a son Richard and his wife Carolina Ward, a daughter Michelle and her husband Lain Wigglesworth, two step sons Brian and Scott Miles, and his siblings Nick, Crystal, Dayle and Victoria. He is also survived by many grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

Memorial Service to take place around 5:30pm on Saturday September 19, 2015 at the Washington Avenue Pavillion, Avon by the Sea, N.J.

The family would like to thank the Bongarzone Funeral Home, the Staff at Genesis Health Care and Monmouth Medical Center.

GOD GRANT THAT I MAY LIVE TO FISH  
UNTIL MY DYING DAY,  
AND WHEN MY FINAL CAST IS MADE  
I MOST HUMBLY PRAY,  
WHEN IN THE LORD'S LANDING NET I  
AM PEACEFULLY ASLEEP,  
THAT IN HIS MERCY, I MAY BE JUDGED  
"AS GOOD ENOUGH TO KEEP".

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

SEP 19. 5:30 PM (ET)

Washinton Avenue Pavillion  
Avon By the Sea, NJ

# Tribute Wall

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“ 2 files added to the album *New Album Name*

*...you rescue me my ang  
I'm your captain, I'm your captain  
Though I'm feeling mighty sick  
  
I've been lost now, days uncounted  
And it's months since I've seen home  
Can you hear me, can you hear me  
Or am I all alone  
  
If you return me to my home port  
I will kiss you, Mother Earth  
Take me back now, take me back now*



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**Bongarzone Funeral Home** - September 10, 2015 at 01:31 PM

 Dayle  
Ward

*May my brother rest in peace with our father and other brother James.  
Oxoxox*

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**Dayle Ward** - September 16, 2015 at 01:22 PM

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“ *Bongarzone Funeral Home lit a candle in memory of  
Richard Keith Ward Sr.*



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**bongarzone funeral home** - September 10, 2015 at 01:24 PM