



## Richard P. Gerhard, Jr.

October 30, 1961 - March 28, 2012

Richard P. Gerhard, Jr. age 50, of Wilmington, DE, died suddenly at home on Thursday, March 29, 2012. Rick was a professional painter by trade and also worked many years with MAB Paints. He was a wonderful son, brother, and uncle. He was a devoted NY Jets fan. We will miss playing football, throwing washers, his artistic abilities, and delicious pies. Mostly we will miss his generosity, compassion, hardworking nature, and knowing that we could always depend on him.

Rick was preceded in death by his mother, Lois. He is survived by his father, Richard Sr.; sister, Linda Handlin (Robert); brothers, Mark (Susan), and Michael; and nephews: Drew, Patrick and Luke who will miss their fun loving uncle.

Friends are invited to celebrate Rick's life on Tuesday, April 10, 2012 at St. Mary of the Assumption Church, 7200 Lancaster Pike, Hockessin, DE 19707 from 10am-11am followed by a Mass of Christian Burial at 11am. Burial will be private. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to The Lazarus Committee, of St. Mary of the Assumption Church. To express an online condolence, visit [www.strano-feeley.com](http://www.strano-feeley.com).

Strano & Feeley  
Family Funeral Home

302-731-5459

# Cemetery Details

**Private**

## Previous Events

### Visitation

APR 10. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Mary of Assumption Catholic Church  
7200 Lancaster Avenue  
Hockessin, DE

### Service

APR 10. 11:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ Dick, Linda, Mike and Mark,  
You have our most heartfelt sympathies on the passing of Rick. We pray that he did not suffer but passed quickly to join Lois in heaven. We hope you accept our condolences on his passing. Our thoughts and prayers are with you in your grief.

*All the Wichmann family*

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**Mark Wichmann** - April 11, 2012 at 05:38 PM

PS

“ Pat Sadowski lit a candle in memory of  
Richard P. Gerhard, Jr.



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**Pat Sadowski** - April 09, 2012 at 06:47 PM

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“ Although I never met Rick I remember Lois talk so lovingly of him and how he loved to work around the home. If she but mentioned wanting to get new carpet or paint something when she came home from Florida it would all be done exactly how she wanted. He loved surprising her. I am sure they are in a beautiful mansion in heaven as both Lois and Rick were loving, caring people. Much love and prayers to the Gerhard family. Pat and Fran Sadowski

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**Pat Sadowski** - April 09, 2012 at 06:46 PM