



Richard T. Lanman

June 1, 1959 - June 29, 2021

In Loving Memory

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Richard "Rick" Thomas Lanman, age 62, passed away on June 29, 2021 in Auburn, Maine after a battle with cancer. Rick was born in Columbus, Ohio to Richard Lewis Lanman and Shirley McGary Gardner. Rick served in the Marine Corps and retired from the Army. He was an aviation enthusiast, taught at Southern Illinois University, and was the airport manager in Mena, Arkansas and in Auburn-Lewiston, Maine. He is survived by his wife, Nicki Wasdin, and her children and grandchildren, and his son, Richard Lanman. He is preceded in death by his parents and his brother Gary Lewis Lanman. Services will be held with military honors at Ft. Smith National Cemetery, Arkansas on August 20th at 3pm. Memorial donations may be made in Rick's name to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

Comments



“ I met Rick when he worked at the Mena Airport. After he left Mena I always enjoyed visiting with him and catching up at conferences. My prayers are with the family during this difficult time.

Michael Griffin
Fort Smith Regional Airport

Michael Griffin - August 11 at 02:45 PM



“ I just found out about Rick's passing the other day. I always appreciated his dedication to improving the Mena Airport. I valued his friendship.

James Turner

James Turner - August 09 at 10:53 PM



“ When I was freshly minted civilian I remember Rick coming up to me at commencement. He asked what I was planning for the summer. I told him I was going to mountain bike and get ready for grad school. Somehow he sold me on taking an unpaid internship in Buffalo, NY. I got to know Rick well as he helped me with learning so much more about airport management than a book could ever teach. I remember him having a deep dislike for Tom Cruise until that summer. We watched the movie The Last Samurai in the apartment I had, and unless I am mistaken he became a Tom Cruise fan that night. Thanks for the good memories my friend. And for answering all the questions about airports along the way.

Jerry Crump - July 29 at 04:58 PM



“ Rick did a lot of good for the Mena Intermountain Municipal Airport. We are saddened to hear of his passing and praying for his family.
- Fred Ogden, current manager at MEZ.

Fred Ogden - July 27 at 06:44 PM