



# Richard A. Pember

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### **R**ichard Pember Obituary

Richard A. Pember, 50 of Elyria, a loving companion, father, grandfather, son and brother, died suddenly March 21, 2012. He was born April 21, 1961 in Elyria and was a 1979 graduate of Keystone High School and Lorain County JVS. He served with the United States Navy as a Seabee from 1981 to 1989 and achieved the rank of Builder First Class. He had lived in Pleasant Prairie, Wisconsin for 24 years before returning to Elyria in 2010 and was a former long time resident of LaGrange Township. Rich was a union carpenter, employed as Construction Superintendent at various construction companies, most recently at Delta T Construction in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. He was a member of VFW #1079 and AmVets #32 in Elyria and Lorain County Beekeepers Association. Rich was knowledgeable in a variety of topics and always had a story to tell or a song to sing. He had a unique sense of humor was willing to lend a helping hand or kind word to friends and strangers alike. He was an avid biker, hunter, fisherman and had won awards for archery and sharpshooting. Richard is survived by his fiancée, Connie Sanders of Elyria; daughter Katherine E. Cotto (Jose) of Waukegan, Illinois; sons Jeremy M. and Jacob M. Pember, both of Elyria; mother and step-father, Darlene (nee Hambly) & Richard Varner of LaGrange Township; sister Ann Cunningham (Sonny) of Augusta, Georgia; brother James Pember (Donna) of Portsmouth, Rhode Island; step-brother, Dean Varner of Lorain and three grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his father, Richard W. in 1973. Friends will be received Sunday, Mar. 25, 2012 from 2 to 5 p.m. at Dicken Funeral Home, 323 Middle Ave., Elyria. A funeral service will be on Monday, Mar. 26, 2012 at 11:00 a.m. in the funeral home with Reverend Robert Gross officiating and Elyria V.F.W. #1079 conducting military honors. Burial will be at River Road Cemetery, LaGrange Township at a later date. Memorial contributions may be made to Spina Bifida Association, 4590 MacArthur Blvd. NW Suite 250, Washington, DC



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## Tribute Wall

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PF

**Pratt Family** posted:

So sorry Connie and family. We are praying for you during this trying time.

March 24 at 8:00 PM

KS

**Kimberly (Bozman) Sayers** posted:

My thoughts and prayers are with Rich's family and friends today.

March 24 at 8:00 PM

LJ

**Laura (Darmstadt) James** posted:

Rich was a wonderful friend that I've known since 6th grade. I am lucky to have many wonderful and fun memories of our school years. He was one of those friends that even though you might not have spoken for years it always seemed like it was just yesterday when you did. He will be very much missed.

March 22 at 8:00 PM



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