



## Richard W. Skoczylas

February 13, 1942 - October 10, 2024

AYER: Richard W. Skoczylas, 82, of Ayer died Thursday, October 10, 2024 at Care Dimensions Hospice Residence, Lincoln.

Rick was born in New London, CT, February 13, 1942, the son of the late Edward and Mildred (Chambers) Skoczylas and resided in New London before moving to Ayer roughly 68 years ago.

Following his 1960 graduation from Ayer High School, Rick entered and served his country in the United States Navy.

Rick worked many years in the print shop at Raytheon Corporation in Tewksbury, followed by numerous jobs for local businesses throughout the community. Prior to Raytheon he had worked at the Colonial Press in Clinton.

Rick was an active member of the Caleb Butler Masonic Lodge A.F. & A.M. in Ayer for many years. He was also a member of the Shriners and the Ayer Gun & Sportsman's Club. Always proud of his 1963 Chevrolet Impala, Rick was a member and Chaplain of the Dracut Road Runners car club. He served as the Constable in the Town of Ayer, was a member of the Ayer Parks Department, Woodlawn Cemetery Association, and numerous other town committees throughout the years.

Rick leaves his wife of 57 years, Victoria (Lenard) Skoczylas; his son, David W. Skoczylas of Ayer; his daughter and son in law, Lisa M. and Jeff Aach of Haverhill; his stepson, Jeffrey Borus and wife Tricia of Auburn; two grandchildren, Brayden Borus, Justin Aach and other relatives.

Rick's family will receive relatives and friends at calling hours 4-7 PM Tuesday, October 15, 2024 at the Anderson Funeral Home, 25 Fitchburg Rd (Rte. 2A) Ayer. [www.andersonfuneral.com](http://www.andersonfuneral.com)

Funeral services will be held 11 AM Wednesday, October 16th in the funeral home followed by interment with military honors at Woodlawn Cemetery, Ayer.

Memorial contributions may be made in Rick's name to <https://giving.massgeneral.org/donate/cancer-center>

# Cemetery Details

## Woodlawn Cemetery

Harvard Road  
Ayer, MA 01432  
info@andersonfuneral.com

# Previous Events

## Calling Hours

OCT **15**. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Anderson Funeral Home - Ayer  
25 Fitchburg Road ~ Route 2A  
Ayer, MA 01432  
(978) 772-2355

## Funeral Service

OCT **16**. 11:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

LB

“ Vickie, I'm so sorry to hear about your loss! Sending thoughts & prayers to you, Lisa, the boys & grandsons! 🙏❤️  
Linda Bibeault

Linda Bibeault - October 20, 2024 at 01:29 PM

AH

“ 1 file added to the album Richard W. Skoczylas



Anderson funeral home - October 17, 2024 at 10:10 AM

TC

“ Tobe Conway lit a candle in memory of Richard W. Skoczylas



Tobe Conway - October 16, 2024 at 09:17 AM

MH

“ Michael and Mary hederson purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Richard W. Skoczylas.



Michael and Mary hederson - October 14, 2024 at 02:42 PM

DS

“ Denise Stepleton lit a candle in memory of Richard W. Skoczylas



Denise Stepleton - October 14, 2024 at 02:00 PM

DS

Vickie, David & all family members, I am very saddened by Ricky's passing. He fought so hard & with such courage. He is going to be missed. Sending hugs of comfort to you all

Denise Stepleton - October 14, 2024 at 02:08 PM

SR

“ Stephen Reynolds purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Richard W. Skoczylas.



Stephen Reynolds - October 14, 2024 at 10:13 AM

AM

“ Anne Marie Martin lit a candle in memory of Richard W. Skoczylas



Anne Marie Martin - October 14, 2024 at 08:52 AM

AM

Send my condolences on the loss of your Dad. God Bless him.

Anne Marie Martin - October 14, 2024 at 08:54 AM

GE

“ Gail English lit a candle in memory of Richard W. Skoczylas



Gail English - October 14, 2024 at 08:10 AM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Richard W. Skoczylas.



October 14, 2024 at 07:41 AM

HX

“ Huimin Xu purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Richard W. Skoczylas.



Huimin Xu - October 13, 2024 at 10:47 PM

JM

“ Jeremy and Jennifer Melanson purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Richard W. Skoczylas.



Jeremy and Jennifer Melanson - October 13, 2024 at 11:44 AM

NS

“ Nancy Sherwin lit a candle in memory of Richard W. Skoczylas



Nancy Sherwin - October 12, 2024 at 01:55 PM



“ Joyful Memory was purchased for the family of Richard W. Skoczylas.



October 12, 2024 at 09:49 AM



“ Sweet Sincerity was purchased for the family of Richard W. Skoczylas.



October 11, 2024 at 04:22 PM

TF

“ The Egan Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Richard W. Skoczylas.

The Egan Family - October 11, 2024 at 04:22 PM

AF

“ Vicky, and my dear friend Dave & family. I am sorry to hear of your husband and dad. He was a wonderful man, and my buddy. I miss him dearly. Sending hugs to you all.

Amy McPadden Fairweather - October 11, 2024 at 04:19 PM

AF

“ Amy McPadden Fairweather lit a candle in memory of Richard W. Skoczylas



Amy McPadden Fairweather - October 11, 2024 at 04:14 PM

PW

I am sorry to read this. Rick was a nice man and easy to talk to. Yes, he fought for his life and always had a smile on his face. Heaven has another Angel and I'm sure he will be missed on Earth. I hope your family will soon find peace in great memories.

Pam Wyman - October 12, 2024 at 07:36 AM

TS

I am sorry to hear of the passing of Rick. I remember his easy-going nature and that smile on his face. He was a good man and Vicki, I hope you and your family will soon have your grief replaced with wonderful healing memories in the life you shared with Rick. Terrie Schoon, Cocoa, FL

Terrie Schoon - October 12, 2024 at 12:08 PM

ML

Dear Vicki and family-Rick will never be gone because he will live in your hearts and memories forever, I will remember him at the dinners and picnics at your home, Also the fun times we had at the summer concerts, Rick enjoyed helping others and will be remembered by many friends, Sincerely, Martha Larson

Martha Larson - October 14, 2024 at 09:51 PM