

# Sergeant Richard N. Hostiuck (1952-2017)

Rick was born June 19, 1952 in Reading to former Reading Patrolman Richard S. and Dorothy Hostiuck.

When Rick was 4 years old, his eldest brother, Greg, enlisted in the United States Marine Corps. Upon returning home, he joined the Reading Police Department as a Dispatcher. Later he also became a Police Officer and eventually Police Chief of Reading. When Rick was 17, another older brother, Dennis, joined the Reading Police Department as a Dispatcher and later joined the Wyoming Police Department as a Police Officer.



During 1972, Rick enlisted in the United States Marines during the Vietnam War. He was honorably discharged in 1978.

During 1978, Rick joined the Reading Police Department. During 1986, he transferred to the Wyoming Police Department. He later was promoted to Sergeant. Sergeant Hostiuck retired in 2008 with 36 years of service to his country and communities.

Sergeant Hostiuck was diagnosed with Cancer. He died on July 22, 2017 at the age of 65.

Sergeant Hostiuck is survived by his wife of 40 years, Deborah J. (Westmark) Hostiuck; children, Rachael Hostiuck, Katherine Hostiuck, and Daniel Hostiuck; grandchild, MaKayla Ronnebaum, and brother, Tim Hostiuck.

A memorial gathering will be held 5 to 8 p.m. on Wednesday, July 26, 2017, at Schmidt-Dhonau-Kucner Funeral Home, 10980 Reading Road. A memorial service will be held at 10 a.m. on Thursday, July 27, 2017 at the funeral home. Inurnment will follow at Gate of Heaven Cemetery.