



## Mr. Anthony "Tony" Emard

August 17, 1958 - October 20, 2019

Mr. Anthony "Tony" Emard, 61, of North Adams, died on Sunday, October 20, 2019.

He was born in Fall River on August 17, 1958, son of Stanislaus and Lorraine (Correia) Emard. He attended schools in Fall River and Somerset and graduated from the Somerset High School with the class of 1977. Following graduation Tony joined the Massachusetts Army National Guard as a member of the 1st/211th Field Artillery.

Tony was employed by Securitas in Pittsfield and worked as a security guard for General Dynamics in Pittsfield from 2005 until the time of his death. Earlier he had worked for Home Depot from 2002 to 2005 and the Massachusetts Department of Corrections from 1981 until 2002.

At the time of his passing he was an active member of the First Congregational Church in Adams where he served on the Prudential Committee and also as a Deacon. He belonged to various bowling leagues at Valley Park Lanes. He enjoyed reading, collecting bibles, and most of all, he loved watching his grandchildren play hockey and softball.

Besides his parents he is survived by his three children; Shelby Emard, a student at Florida Southern College and her mother Paula Filiault of FL, Phillip Emard of Sarasota, FL and Janine Mercer of Fall River; one sister Jacqueline Davis of Dartmouth and one brother Christopher Emard of Somerset. He also leaves his stepchildren, Allen Ritcher of North Adams, Rebecca Ritcher of Florida, MA and Samantha Ritcher-Porio of the state of Florida along with 15

grandchildren his cat Cabo and his eight pet tarantulas.

He was predeceased by a stepson, Daniel Ritcher in 2017.

A memorial service will be held on Friday, October 25th at 5:00 P.M. in the First Congregational Church, Park St., Adams, officiated by Rev. Michael Mullany, Pastor. Family and friends are invited to attend. A gathering will be held in the church hall immediately following the service.

Burial will be at a later date.

There are no calling hours.

Memorial donations may be made to the Shelby Emard Education Fund through the PACIOREK FUNERAL HOME, 13 Hoosac St., Adams, which is in charge of arrangements.

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

OCT **25**. 5:00 PM (ET)

First Congregational Church  
Park Street  
Adams, MA 01220

# Tribute Wall

MM

“ I always looked forward to my interactions with Tony as he always made me smile. He had a pleasant very authentic way about him and he knew pretty much all 1500 people at General Dynamics by name. He always brightened my day. He shall be missed.

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**Mike M** - October 27, 2019 at 12:09 PM

JA

“ On Sunday we lost a true friend, colleague, and amazing individual, but what we lost here, heaven gained. He is now an angel looking down upon all of us, knowing this should help all of us. Tony was a truly great man, a man whom always presented himself in a professional manner. Tony was always willing to listen, learn and give advice when needed. His ability to work thru adversity was amazing. He will be dearly missed but never forgotten.

*James B.*

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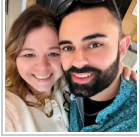
**james** - October 24, 2019 at 11:17 AM

BJ

“ Remember the pleasant and enjoyable talks with Tony at work and he will be missed. My prayers for peace and comfort to Tony's children and siblings in the name of Jesus Christ.

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**Bill Fix Jr** - October 24, 2019 at 11:00 AM



“ To know him is to love him. If you’ve ever met Tony there’s no way you don’t have a great story to tell about how he made you smile. I worked with T a lot at GD and I truly loved him. As we are all suffering such a great loss and broken hearts, I know he would want us to smile. That’s what he always did. You never saw him without a smile. Heaven gained an amazing Angel who will be so deeply missed. My sincere prayers are with his family .. and with all of us whose hearts are aching today.

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**Jessica Halse** - October 23, 2019 at 08:12 PM

SC

“ So sorry to hear about dad’s passing he was and always will be a great man

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**scott cahill** - October 23, 2019 at 08:02 PM

CC

“ My condolences and love to Paula, Shelby and family  
Love Cathy (Gliwski) Clay

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**Cathy (Gliwski) Clay** - October 23, 2019 at 06:19 PM

BO

“ I bowled with toney. he will be missed

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**Billy O'Brien** - October 23, 2019 at 02:08 PM