

June 9, 1961 ☽ July 30, 2025

Richard (Rich) Steven Sampson

We are profoundly saddened to share that Richard (Rich) Steven Sampson, beloved father, brother, and friend, passed away on July 30, 2025, at the age of 64. Rich was a longtime resident of Tracy, California, and will be remembered for the love, laughter, and joy he brought to everyone who knew him.

Born on June 9, 1961, in Los Angeles, California, to James and Hazel Sampson, Rich grew up with a strong love of family and sports. He was a proud graduate of Manzano High School in Albuquerque, New Mexico, where he lettered in baseball, a game he cherished throughout his life.



For nearly three decades, Rich was a dedicated employee at Green Valley Transportation in Tracy, California. He was admired for his hard work, loyalty, and the friendships he built over the years.

Rich's passions centered around family, sports, and the outdoors. He loved spending time with those he cared about most, especially at gatherings filled with good food, laughter, and memories. He was an avid San Francisco Giants and

49ers fan, and some of his happiest moments were spent fishing—whether deep-sea in Cabo San Lucas, relaxing in Spa Buena Vista, or enjoying the waters of the Bay Area.

Above all, Rich was a devoted father to his son, Matthew Robinson, who was his greatest joy and pride. His love for his family was evident in everything he did.

Rich is survived by his son, Matthew Robinson; brothers, James R. Sampson (wife Belinda Aber) of Colorado and Robert M. Sampson (wife Dawn) of Idaho; sister, Vinca A. Burns (husband Roger) of Arizona; along with many aunts, uncles, cousins, nephews, nieces and friends who will carry his memory forward.

He is preceded in death by his loving parents, James and Hazel Sampson of Indiana.

We will forever miss Rich's laughter, his smile, and the warmth he brought into our lives. His legacy of love, joy, and strength will remain in our hearts always.

A celebration of Rich's life will be held at a later date.