



Tony Olen Walker

April 13, 1960 - March 19, 2023

Tony Olen Walker, 62 of Jupiter, FL passed away March 19, 2023. He was born in Tampa, FL on April 13, 1960. Tony attended Lake Worth High School where he met the love of his life, Cheryl Kessler, in 1976. The High School Sweethearts married at the Lakeside United Methodist Church on July 8, 1978. Tony and Cheryl were married for 44 wonderful years.

They both worked at the family business, La-Sy-Re Interiors in Lake Worth, FL, that was started by Tony's mom, Imogene Taylor, in 1965. Tony's sister, Rebecca Sanford, also worked there until her retirement. It was a successful business for 57 years that provided outstanding high-end interior design services and a custom workroom. Tony was instrumental in making sure their work was of high quality, maintaining strong relationships with designers, and providing exceptional customer service.

In his spare time, Tony played baseball and football as a young man. However, his fondest hobby was fishing in Lake Osborne in Lake Worth. Later in life, he would often take his boat to Lake Okeechobee for the day. Racing was also a major part of Tony's life starting in his early twenties. He rebuilt a race boat with local friends in the 1980's and more recently he rebuilt a yellow '72 Chevelle SS and a red '66 Impala Super Sport for drag racing. Moroso (Palm Beach International Raceway) was his favorite track and later became his home track for racing where Tony and Cheryl were surrounded by many

loving friends that created their "Racetrack Family." Tony received many plaques, trophies, and winner's stickers throughout the years. His proudest racing moment was when he won the Palm Beach "Ironman" Nitro Jam in January 2011 (ET - NO BOX), an epic race that earned a published interview and page in the February 2011 issue of the Drag Review Magazine (DRM).

Tony and Cheryl had one son, Brandon Walker, who was their pride and joy. Tony spent time as a baseball coach and helped Brandon through motocross events as his right-hand man in Florida and Georgia. Brandon also worked with Tony at La-Sy-Re Interiors. They were inseparable. Tony is survived by his wife Cheryl Walker, his son Brandon Walker, sister Lynn Hall, 4 nieces, and 5 nephews.

A Memorial Service will be held for Tony at Taylor & Modeen Funeral Home, 250 Center Street Jupiter, FL 33458 (phone (561) 744-2030) on Wednesday, April 19, 2023 from 4-7pm.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

APR **19**. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Taylor & Modeen Funeral Home
250 Center Street
Jupiter, FL 33458
(561) 744-2030
<https://www.taylorandmodeenflorida.com>

Tribute Wall

KN

“ Cheryl & Brandon, don't know why this never came up on my page. Dan & I are so very sorry for the loss of Tony. Such a great man & all I can say is cancer sucks. Was not on Facebook much as I was going through my cancer battle also. We wish you strength & prayers to you both. Dan & Kathy Neri

kathy neri - November 13, 2023 at 10:49 AM



“ Tony Olen Walker

October 22, 2023 at 10:17 AM

AL

“ Always loved seeing Tony & Cheryl at the good old Quarterdeck in Jupiter & waiting on them and chatting & getting to be good friends... So sad to see Brandons post a few weeks back as I know Tony hadn't been feeling so good.. Big man with a Big heart & a love for his bride, Cheryl & family!!! RIP Tony baloney...

Anna Lombardozzi - April 19, 2023 at 08:50 AM

DB

“ When I was around 6 our whole family went to visit Aunt Imogene and all the family. Since Tony and I were around the same age we had so much fun on the beach except when I decided that chewing bubble gum wasn't just for chewing and stuck it in my eye and it got all stuck in my eyelashes. Well that ended the fun! Lol. We will surely miss Tony on this earth, but I plan on seeing him again in Heaven one day! Love and prayers to you all❤️

Diane Bradley - April 11, 2023 at 10:56 AM

SJ

He was a wonderful patient and quiet man and he will definitely be missed

Shirley Jackman - April 17, 2023 at 11:26 PM

SR

“ *Tony or as I called him WALKER was one of the most genuine people on this earth he was always there to tell you the truth good or bad .
He and I raced two different styles of cars him drag racing me stock car racing but we always supported each other in our passion for motor sports
Family was priority one for WALKER his wife and his son came first at any cost
I miss him every day he was like my adopted father even though we where only five years apart.
His common sense and demeanor was that of a older soul 🙏
I miss you buddy everyday heart and soul hope you are cutting lights in heaven my friend ❤️🙏*

Shawn Reiss - April 05, 2023 at 06:27 AM

BD

“ Tony was such a sweet, kind, gentle soul. Loved my cousin so much and loved our too few and far between talks. One of my favorite memories of him was when we went to Aunt Genes in Lakeworth. I was around 12, Tony was around 4, my younger Sis, Diane was 3. We went to the beach and mother used to have the cutest pic of those 2 holding hands. Their big blue eyes, blond hair and big grins, simply precious At the beach SOMEONE gave Diane bubblegum. Well in backseat of car on way from beach Diane starts whimpering. For some unknown reason she had decided to put the ooey, gooey bubble-gum on her eye totally encompassing her long eyelashes. The next couple of hours were spent getting gum out without blinding her. We had such fun times at Aunt Genes with the cousins. Loved them all so much. Cheryl, Brandon we will continue prayers for you both.

God please wrap Your loving arms around them, comfort them with peace, love, rest and fond memories as only You can. Please let them feel Your Presence. Give them wisdom in the days ahead and energy to accomplish all the tasks that lay ahead as they begin this difficult journey without Tony. Guide them to reach out to others when they need help, knowing we love them and care. In Jesus's Precious and Holy Name, Amen

Tony, rest now in Peace and wellness. Tell everyone there we miss them and we will sure miss you-Love Cousin Bonnie (Taylor) Davis

Bonnie Davis - April 04, 2023 at 03:19 PM

RW

“ Uncle Tony was an amazing man, my mother's (Sylvia Wellman) little brother. 🤔 He was like a gentle giant to me as I grew up. We lived far away, in another state, so visiting family in Florida was always a special event. We made many trips to be with their mom, Imogene Taylor, and the rest of the family in South Florida, my birth place. Lake Worth was more like a home to me, where Tony spent decades living until the 90's and working until just a few years ago. He was a staple of La Sy Re Interiors, a business his mother started in the 60's. I have so many fond memories of Uncle Tony... He was like a "Green Giant" in my adolescent eyes. He would pick me up and I remember feeling like flying through the air up to his shoulders. He loved fishing like much of his family and drag racing. Before he was a racer himself, he and Cheryl would take me to Moroso to watch the racing, jet cars, and fireworks. I love my family dearly and the world lost a beautiful soul, but I know in my heart he is with Grandma, Mom, Aunt Becky, and Uncle Jimmy... surrounded by love. My heart truly goes out to his sweetheart and wife of 44 years, Cheryl, and his son, my cousin Brandon. Much love to you both and know that I will be here for you. Love you always, Rachel

Rachel Wellman - April 01, 2023 at 01:31 PM

JW

I have many blessed memories of Tony we all would have the greatest time together when they would come up from Florida we would meet all of us over at grandma and grandpa Taylors house and have the best time playing together as kids will do wonderful childhood memories and many adult memories also one year we meet him and Cheryl in the mountains those were times I remember most I will miss him I know he is with our lord and savior in heaven and we will see him there love you and praying for Cheryl it's always so hard to lose your partner in life and also for the family love you all and God be with you

Janice Winkler - April 02, 2023 at 04:12 PM

TM

From the moment I met Tony it was a 19 80 I knew he was going to be a lifelong buddy and I am so happy I was able to converse with him shortly before he crossed over love him dearly and always will I am in the mountains and my eyes are for the both of us until we meet again buddy love you bunches always have always will

Tari miles - April 04, 2023 at 11:16 PM

BW

Most of the time I would see Tony and Cheryl at first Sunday in May. Tony always had such a sweet smile and kind eyes. I loved talking with him. there was such a strong demeanor about him, he was a smart business man and he was a wonderful husband and dad! He loved his family above all else. Cheryl was the light of his life!! I'll miss him on this side of eternity but will be seeing him again! Along with every one who has made their reservation in heaven through Jesus Christ. It will be a great reunion! Like I told my husband - who was a racer and who loved fast cars and boats too before he passed away . I told him I knew God would have him working on anything in heaven that needed to move fast. he passed away two years ago — I know my husband is in heaven working on those chariots ! I bet Tony will be too! My heart breaks for Cheryl and Brandon. I know the pain you feel....I wish I could be there. I love you and will be praying for you.

Bobbie Taylor White - April 14, 2023 at 08:21 PM

JT

Tony was a good Man and loved his family very much, I am honored to of have been one of his his friends.

John Taylor - April 18, 2023 at 03:18 PM