



Normand Pierre Houde

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Normand P. Houde, 73, of Bradenton, FL, passed away on April 30, 2022. Normand was born on November 05, 1948, to Robert and Rose De Lima Houde in Drummondville, Canada. Normand moved to Massachusetts in 1967 and then to Florida later in life. Normand is survived by son Shawn Houde of Ohio, 2 sisters, and a host of other family and friends. A graveside service will be held later at Sarasota National Cemetery.

The Dash Poem (By Linda Ellis)

I read of a man who stood to speak
At the funeral of a friend
He referred to the dates on the tombstone
From the beginning...to the end

He noted that first came the date of birth
And spoke the following date with tears,
But he said what mattered most of all
Was the dash between those years

For that dash represents all the time
That they spent alive on earth.
And now only those who loved them
Know what that little line is worth

For it matters not, how much we own,
The cars...the house...the cash.
What matters is how we live and love
And how we spend our dash.



So, think about this long and hard.
Are there things you'd like to change?
For you never know how much time is left
That can still be rearranged.

If we could just slow down enough
To consider what's true and real
And always try to understand
The way other people feel.


And be less quick to anger
And show appreciation more
And love the people in our lives
Like we've never loved before.


If we treat each other with respect
And more often wear a smile,
Remembering this special dash
Might only last a little while


So, when your eulogy is being read
With your life's actions to rehash...
Would you be proud of the things they say
About how you spent YOUR dash?

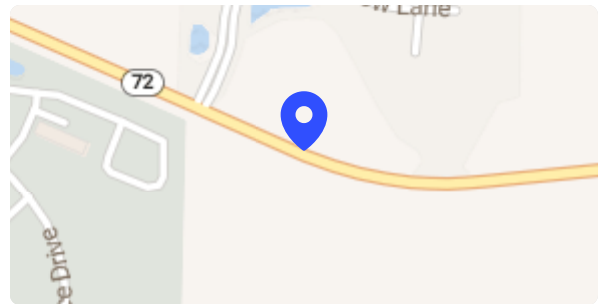


Graveside Service


 **Friday**, June 10, 2022


 9:30 AM ET

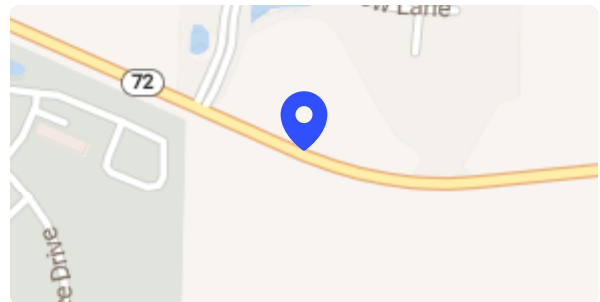
 **Sarasota National Cemetery**
9810 State Rd 72, Sarasota FL 34241



Cemetery Details

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