

EC Riders has lost one of our own. **Dean J. Van Vorst**, aka **Big Bird**, passed away at the age of 55. Dean will be greatly missed by all. An active member and past Vice President of EC Riders and a very active Patriot Guard Riders member, we will always remember his everlasting smile.

Big Bird:



A tribute from his son Dean Jr.

Many of you didn't know him but some of you did. Those who did knew that he was a great man, one who would give the shirt off his back or the last dollar in pocket, even if it meant he would go without.

He loved life, he loved the open road riding alongside his brothers. He was a one of a kind man that can never be replaced and he will be missed by all. This world is a lesser place without him, but he will always be in our hearts.

I will always love you Dad, and I will miss you more than anything.

Dean Jr.