



Rich Sutter

Leadership, team player, heart, persistence, determination, sacrifice – these are all words that describe Rich Sutter. There is one more word that describes Rich, and in fact it describes all his hockey-playing brothers too, and that word is winner.

Rich is the youngest of six brothers to play in the NHL; actually his twin brother Ron ties him for this honour. Older brothers Brian, Darryl, Duane and Brent all preceded Rich and Ron into the NHL. Rich was the #10 pick overall in the 1982 draft as the Pittsburgh Penguins first round pick. After playing just 9 games for the Penguins, he was reunited with Ron in Philadelphia for the 1983-84 season. Rich went on to play 13 NHL seasons in Vancouver, St. Louis, Chicago, Tampa Bay and Toronto. He had the pleasure of playing for two coaches who were also his brothers – Brian in St. Louis and Darryl in Chicago. Rich's career ended in Toronto where he played through 3 broken vertebrae in his back, hiding this information from opponents and teammates alike. The Sutter men certainly were tough as nails!

Rich's career line includes 874 regular season games with 149 goals and 166 assists for 315 points. He also added 1411 career penalty minutes earned protecting his teammates. The Sutter boys earned 7,224 minutes in the penalty box over their careers, which shows the sacrifice and leadership they exhibited to their teammates in leading them into battle.

Rich was understandably a favourite amongst fans and teammates alike, as were all his brothers. Rarely has a family been as respected as the Sutter family for the great qualities you would expect from a well-grounded family from Viking, Alberta.

Rich now works for SportsNet, lending his analysis and insight into the game in a typically honest and open manner.

If your company or organization is looking for a man of integrity who is a proven winner in hockey and in life, Rich Sutter is your man.

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