



Richard Karle

April 29, 1927 - June 11, 2013

Obituary of Richard Karle

RICHARD H. KARLE, 86, Summerfield, FL passed away Tuesday, June 11, 2013. He was born April 29, 1927 in Syracuse, NY, son of Rudolph B. and Leona Lunn Karle. Dick graduated from Onondaga Valley Academy, Syracuse, NY and attended Syracuse University. He was a retired food executive.

Dick served in the U.S. Navy during both World War II and the Korean Conflict. Dick was in the food business throughout his life. Starting as a meat cutter, he progressed to meat manager and later progressed to store manager and district manager.

At the time of his retirement, Dick was Secretary Treasurer/VP of Olean Wholesale in Olean, N.Y.

Dick's life centered around his family and his church. He was a Life Elder in the Presbyterian Church and was also active in the United Methodist Church.

He served on the board of trustees for the Methodist District, he was a Sunday School Superintendent and a liaison between the church and the district office.

Dick loved Methodist hymns and was there for the church whenever called upon.

Instrumental in planning the new library in Cuba N.Y., Dick was also a member of the Cuba Lake Homeowners Association. He also volunteered for Meals on Wheels.

Dick is survived by his wife of 64 years, Diane (Gantley) Karle, five children, nine grandchildren, and ten great grandchildren. Dicks sons are Richard H. Karle Jr. (Jill) of Birmingham, Alabama and Paul A. Karle of Fort Lauderdale, FL. His daughters are Deborah DeFouw (Richard) of Kentwood, Michigan, Kathy Lievens of Traverse City, Michigan and Elizabeth Wierda (James) of Jacksonville, Florida. The grandchildren are Megan Kaiser, Emily VanVliet, Andrew Lievens, Molly Howell, Karle Hunter, Alex Wierda, Jenna Wierda, Noah Karle, and Mia Karle. Dick is also survived by brother John (Doris) of Syracuse, N.Y.

A memorial service will be held on Monday June 17, 2013 at 11:00 AM at Beyers Funeral Home Chapel, Lady Lake, FL with Reverend Michael Fordham officiating. Inurnment will be at Florida National Cemetery, Bushnell, FL at a later date. Memorials may be sent to the Myasthenia Gravis Foundation of America, The Cuba Circulating Library in Cuba N.Y., or a charity

of your choice.

Dick will be remembered as a man of integrity, love, and influence to all who knew him.

Services

A memorial service will be held on Monday June 17, 2013 at 11:00 AM at Beyers Funeral Home Chapel, Lady Lake, FL with Reverend Michael Fordham officiating.

Interment

Inurnment will be at Florida National Cemetery, Bushnell, FL at a later date.

Memorial Donations

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Tribute Wall

CA

“ *Debbie, I was truly saddened to hear about your father's death. I remember all the good times spent with your family during our school years. You are in our thoughts and prayers. Please accept our condolences to your mother and the entire family. Doug and Cyndi Anderson*

Cyndi (Wieczorek) Anderson - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

TH

“ *Diane and family - Our prayers are with you all. I have many fond memories of our parents and all the the fun they had. Dick was one of the nicest men I knew. The friendship my dad shared with Dick was lifelong and strong - we should all be so lucky to find a friendship like that. Keeping you in our thoughts. Love - Todd and Laura*

Todd and Laura Harrington - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

EK

“ *Aunt Diane and Cousins -- With heartfelt condolences on the loss of Uncle Dick. Words seem inadequate, but my thoughts are with all of you during this difficult time. He's the best uncle I could have asked for. I remember when we gathered together, he always seemed to have a twinkle in his eye. I will be making a donation in his memory. He will never be forgotten.*

Ellen Karle - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

BR

“ *Diane, I was very sorry to find Dick listed in the obituaries this morning.. Life seems so very short and fragile. I will pray for you and Dick and all your family. Bill*

Bill Ramsgard - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

WH

“ Dear Diane and family - I am visiting Todd and Laura and heard the sad news. He is really going to be missed by all . Love and prayers to all of you and will talk to you soon. Love - Winnie

Winnie Harrington - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ Dear Paul and Family, We are truly saddened to hear of your father's passing. Even in your sadness, we hope you can hold on to the thought that a life lived with so much love never really ends, but goes on forever in the hearts of those who remember. I have such good memories of your father. You're in our thoughts and prayers.

John and Barb Smithgall - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

EW

“ We received news today of Dick's passing. Our heart goes out to you and your children at this most difficult time. We are so glad to be with you and Dick last February. We are so saddened from the news through Bill Ramsgard. Love, Elizabeth and Bob

Elizabeth Asher and Robert Wright - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

MP

“ My condolences to Diane and all of Dick's family for his passing. I am certain that he will be greatly missed. He would be pleased that we being good stewards of his beloved cottage 313 at Cuba Lake.

Mary Pierotti - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

CW

“ Was saddened to read of your husband and father's passing. I had just talked with him last week and thought his voice sounded so strong. He was a great boss and he and Diane both became good friends. Don & I always enjoyed visiting with them both in their home on South Street and the cottage on Cuba Lake. He will be missed.

Carol Winsor - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

AH

“ To Diane & Family, John and I wish to extend our sympathy to you at this time. I know Dick's passing has left a big hole in your life. Wishing you the comfort that comes from the Lord. Love, John and Anna

anna hess - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

SF

“ Aunt Diane and Cousins.....My thoughts and prayers are with you all in the loss of Uncle Dick. I have so many fond memories of times spent together with your family, most recently at the house on Cuba Lake. Uncle Dick was always in the middle of everything with his wonderful sense of humor and his obvious love for all of you and us, his nieces and grand-niece, as well. He will always hold a special place in our hearts. Tom and I pray that God's grace will give you peace and comfort during this difficult time. love, Sharon & Tom Foster

Sharon & Tom Foster - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM