



Irvin "Dick" Collins

January 11, 1935 - June 28, 2015

Irvin R. "Dick" Collins, 80, of Grand Island, passed away at home on Sunday, June 28, 2015 surrounded by his family.

Celebration of Life Service will be 10:30 a.m. Wednesday at All Faiths Funeral Home with Daniel Naranjo officiating. Burial will be in Westlawn Memorial Park Cemetery with military honors provided by the U.S. Army and the Veterans' Honor Guard.

Visitation will be from 6-8 p.m. Tuesday at the funeral home.

Dick was born January 11, 1935 in Albion, the son of Elmer and Lucy (Hulse) Collins.

Those left to cherish his memory include his wife, Nancy; children, Robert (Jeanne) Collins of Norfolk, Cheryl Kerkman of Dodge, Dale Collins (friend, Berta Westerman) of Norfolk, Donna Riedel of Newman Grove, James Collins of Ault, CO, Joan (Rodney) Rieck of Spalding, Sally Scarlett (friend, Jim Bykerk) of O'Neill, Jerald (Rhonda) Collins of Norfolk, Lila (Chad) Pieper of Dodge and Jeff (Beth) Collins of Loveland, CO; brothers, Don Ray (Pearl) Collins of De Funiak Springs, FL, Carroll Anderson of Albion, Gerald Anderson of Albion Jack Anderson of Phoenix, AZ and Tim Anderson of Phoenix, AZ; sister, Sue Henggeler of Columbus; mother, Lucy Anderson of Albion; 25 grandchildren; 18 great-grandchildren; 22 step-grandchildren; and many more extended family and friends.

He was preceded in death by his son, Donny Jay Collins, sister, Barbara Wright; brother, Homer Anderson; step-father, Martin Anderson; and sons-in-

law, Dean Kerkman, Ted Engelbart and Clayton Riedel.

Dick attended Albion Schools, graduating in 1952. He joined the U.S. Army at Fort Riley on February 3, 1953 and was sent to Korea where he served in the 45th Infantry Division. He then transferred to the 25th Division, before transferring to the 24th Infantry to handle a scout dog on night patrols. After he and his scout dog "Jeb" were transferred to Honolulu, HI, to be quarantined, he returned to Camp Carlson, CO, and was honorably discharged January 18, 1955. Dick was very proud to be a Korean War Veteran.

Upon his return from his service, he was united in marriage to Rosanne Reichert on December 27, 1955. They started their life together on a farm in Brunswick. In 1958 they moved to Osmond, farming until 1962. Dick moved back to Albion, working as a carpenter with his father and brothers, also with a cousin in Mead, and in 1985 he moved to Grand Island and was working on strip mall stores on both the East and West coasts.

On May 10, 1987, Dick was united in marriage to Nancy Shriner at the Methodist Church in Dallas, TX. He continued carpentry, working for Century Lumber Co. before retiring in 2000. He then built a shop onto his garage to keep himself busy. Dick started carpentry at the age of nine, and he passed his talent on to his sons. He was very proud of his sons and daughters and their accomplishments in life. Dick enjoyed fishing and spending time with his family. He also loved country western music and dancing.

Memorials are suggested to the family to be designated at a later date.

Cemetery Details

Westlawn Memorial Park

Grand Island, NE

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 30. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

All Faiths Funeral Home
2929 S Locust St
Grand Island, NE 68801
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Celebration of Life Service

JUL 1. 10:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Irvin "Dick" Collins*

October 08, 2023 at 11:02 PM



“ *Our condolences go out to you and your family on your loss.*

Gary & Diana Reichert

Gary Mathew - July 01, 2015 at 12:19 PM



“ *I have many childhood memories of your dad and all you kids. You are a great family! Sorry to hear of him passing! Thinking of you all with deepest sympathy!!!*

Dee Pelster - June 30, 2015 at 09:52 PM



“ *To the Collins family, we are so sorry for you loss. I dearly loved your Dad, I had so many good times with him, both on the job and off, he was the best craftsman and he could make me laugh so hard. What a wonderful man, Rest in peace Dick.*

Rick Watson - June 30, 2015 at 07:43 PM



“ *Nancy, Our condolences to you and your family on your loss*

Roger and Cathy Naeve

Roger & Cathy Naeve - June 30, 2015 at 03:22 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Irvin "Dick" Collins.



June 30, 2015 at 11:02 AM



“ *Lorri Esnough* purchased the *Blooming Garden Basket* for the family of Irvin "Dick" Collins.



Lorri Esnough - June 30, 2015 at 07:23 AM