



Richard "Dick" Rice

November 14, 1933 - April 13, 2026

Richard "Dick" Rice, age 92, of Storm Lake, Iowa died April 13, 2026 in Sioux City, Iowa.

Funeral services will take place Saturday, April 18, 2026 at 10:00 a.m. at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Storm Lake. Burial will be in the Storm Lake Cemetery. Visitation will take place Friday, April 17, 2026 from 5-7:00 p.m. with an Odd Fellow service at 7:00 p.m. The Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home in Storm Lake is in charge of the arrangements.

Richard Dean Rice was born on November 14, 1933, the son of Everett and Flora (Taylor) Rice. Dick grew up in Storm Lake, where he attended school and graduated from Hayes Township School in 1952.

In 1945, the Rice family moved to the farm at the present location, where Dick farmed with his father. In 1971, his brother Tom joined the operation. They raised cattle and farrow to finish hogs. They planted corn, beans, and other crops over the years. Truly a family endeavor.

On July 1, 1953, Richard was united in marriage for 72 years to Monica Mary Miller at the St Mary's Church in Storm Lake by Father Lawless. Together, they were blessed with four daughters: Pat, Elizabeth, Cindy, and Joleen.

As a young family, Dick enjoyed boating on the lake and even built, in 1963, a pontoon boat for the family to enjoy. His parents, who loved fishing, enjoyed it also.

He was known for his ability to invent and fix things with his hands and enjoyed welding in his spare time. Dick loved driving his tractors and skid steer. Farming was his passion, and he took great pride in working on the land and raising livestock.

Dick was a member of several organizations and was invested in the farming community. He was the clerk for Hayes Township, a member of the BV Co Election Board and in 1981 Dick became president of the Storm Lake Cemetery Assoc. He was a 50-year member in the Masons, the Shriners, Eastern Star and the Hayes Farmers Club. He belonged to the Odd Fellows for 74 years, just missing his 75-year pin. In July of 2019, he traveled to New Orleans, with family, to receive an award from UCT, United Commercial Travelers, that he was very proud of. It was called The Rose.

Family meant everything to Dick, and his memory will live on in the hearts of those who knew him and loved. He will be deeply missed.

Those left to cherish his memory include his wife of 72 years; Monica Rice of Storm Lake, Iowa; children: Pat Allen of Storm Lake, Iowa; Elizabeth Anspach of Alta, Iowa; Cindy Emery (Jon) of Ames, Iowa; Joleen Brady (Jim) of Johnston, Iowa; grandchildren: Jessica (Bill) Linn of Humboldt, Iowa; Dawn Anspach of Huntington Beach, California; Valerie (Josh) Pyle of Schaller, Iowa; Rebeca (Justin) Bein of Walcott, Iowa; Jacalyn (Steven) Smith of LeMars, Iowa; Paul (Megan) Sodahl of Ames, Iowa; Jill Sodahl of Ames, Iowa; Amanda (Trevor) Huisman of Urbandale, Iowa; David (Emmie) Brady of Des Moines, Iowa; and Ann Brady of Des Moines, Iowa; great grandchildren: Cymon Ferrell, Rhythum Linn, Nova Smith, Luna Smith, Henry Bein, Holden

Pyle, Kiley Sodahl, Madison Sodahl, Macey Sodahl, Attaya Moorlet, Graham Huisman, Blaine Huisman, Vaughn Huisman, Ruth Brady and Maeve Brady; brothers: Ed (Loa) Rice of Alta, Iowa; Tom (Doris) Rice of Storm Lake, Iowa; sister-in-law, Joan (Melvin) Miller; extended family, neighbors and many friends.

Dick was preceded in death by his parents: Everett and Flora Rice; brother, Bob (Dorothy) Rice; sister, Marjorie (Arlin) Otto; grandsons: Christopher Allen and Nick Allen; and great granddaughter, Kinsey Sodahl.

Cemetery Details

Storm Lake Cemetery

Storm Lake, IA 50588

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 17. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home - Storm Lake
1615 W Milwaukee Ave,
Storm Lake, IA 50588
(712) 732-1911
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<https://www.fratzkejensen.com>

Funeral Service

APR 18. 10:00 AM (CT)

St. Mary's Catholic Church -- Storm Lake
320 Seneca St
Storm Lake, IA 50588

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Tribute Wall



“ *Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Richard "Dick" Rice*



Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home - April 16 at 11:31 AM

MJ

“ *Sending deepest sympathy to the family. You are in my thoughts and prayers.*
Marcia (Allen) Johnson



Marcia Johnson - April 17 at 08:29 PM

JP

“ *Larry and JoAnnPyle are sending sympathy to the family.*



JoAnn Pyle - April 17 at 08:11 PM

BL

“ *Brian Landgraf lit a candle in memory of Richard Rice*



Brian Landgraf - April 17 at 07:09 PM

KC

“ *Prayers for all on your loss.*

Kris Combes - April 17 at 11:06 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Richard "Dick" Rice.*



April 16 at 02:12 PM



“ *67 files added to the album LifeTributes*



Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home - April 16 at 11:28 AM

KM

“ Our condolences to the Rice family on the loss of their loss. Prayers are with you.



Kevin & Julie McKinney - April 16 at 11:27 AM

FH

“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home - April 16 at 11:12 AM

DM

“ Dave Merten lit a candle in memory of Richard Rice



Dave Merten - April 16 at 10:52 AM

SH

“ Stephanie Bengford Haskin purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Richard "Dick" Rice.



Stephanie Bengford Haskin - April 15 at 10:02 AM

SH

“ Stephanie Bengford Haskin planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Richard "Dick" Rice.

Stephanie Bengford Haskin - April 15 at 10:02 AM

SH

“ Sharon Henkel lit a candle in memory of Richard Rice



Sharon Henkel - April 15 at 09:52 AM

CM

“ Curt, Kristi, Kelsi and Elle Miller purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Richard "Dick" Rice.



Curt, Kristi, Kelsi and Elle Miller - April 15 at 09:49 AM

SF

“ Sympathy to the family!



steven Frank - April 15 at 09:36 AM

JC

“ Jeff and Jean Chindlund lit a candle in memory of Richard Rice



Jeff and Jean Chindlund - April 14 at 08:01 PM

JK

“ Jeff and Lory (Preston) Krummen lit a candle in memory of Richard Rice



Jeff and Lory (Preston) Krummen - April 14 at 06:28 PM

LS

“ Larry and Debbie (Rice) Smith purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Richard "Dick" Rice.



Larry and Debbie (Rice) Smith - April 14 at 06:26 PM

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“ Larry and Debbie (Rice) Smith planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Richard "Dick" Rice.

Larry and Debbie (Rice) Smith - April 14 at 06:26 PM

JP

“ *Jennifer Peters lit a candle in memory of
Richard Rice*



Jennifer Peters - April 14 at 05:44 PM