

Richard E. Utter

September 21, 1927 - December 30, 2016

Richard E. Utter, age 89, of Storm Lake, Iowa died December 30, 2016 at Mercy Medical Center in Sioux City, Iowa.

Funeral services will be held Saturday, January 7, 2017 at 3:00 p.m. at the Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home in Storm Lake. Burial will be in the Storm Lake Cemetery. Following burial at the Storm Lake Cemetery, there will be a Celebration of Life reception at the Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home in Storm Lake. There will be no visitation. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Dick Utter Memorial and contributions will be made to the Buena Vista University Athletic Department and Lake Creek Country Club. The Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home in Storm Lake is in charge of the arrangements.

Richard Eugene "Dick" Utter was born September 21, 1927 in Carroll, Iowa, the son of Eugene and Genevieve (Benedict) Utter.

Dick attended school in Storm Lake, graduating from Storm Lake High School. He continued his education at Buena Vista University.

On July 13, 1945, Dick joined the United States Navy. Throughout his service, he earned a Victory Medal and the American Theater Ribbon. He was honorably discharged on July 27, 1954.

On January 6, 1973, Dick and Janice Goodwin Sudbay were married and enjoyed 44 years of marriage.

Dick was a member of the Lakeside Presbyterian Church in Storm Lake.

Dick was extremely active in the community. He worked in insurance sales and real estate and was the owner of Buena Vista Abstract. Dick served on the Buena Vista Hall of Fame committee, was an original member of the Lake Creek Country Club, was a member of the B.V. Club, and served as the Exalted Ruler of the Elks Club.

Sports were also a big part of Dick's life. He was a teacher and coach for many years. Dick enjoyed being a referee and later running the time clock at high school and Buena Vista University games. Dick loved golfing and also was an avid Iowa Hawkeye and St. Louis Cardinals fan.

Those left to cherish his memory include his wife, Janice Utter of Storm Lake, Iowa; daughters: Ronda Utter Hogan (Greg Janicek) of Omaha, Nebraska; Rita Utter (Leslie Rau) of South Lake Tahoe, California; son, Randy (DeAnn) Utter of Wentzville, Missouri; grandchildren: Justin (Kristen) Hogan, Jenna Hogan, Jared Hogan, Sarah Utter, Todd Utter, Morgan Utter (Colton Aspenleiter); great grandchildren: Jayden Hogan-Marshall and Brantley Aspenleiter; step daughters: Patricia Sudbay (Alan Cerniglia) of Flower Mound, Texas; Kathleen Sudbay (Ronald) Koth of Mankato, Minnesota; Nancy Sudbay Sahr of Chippewa Falls, Wisconsin; Tracey Sudbay Hash of Fort Collins, Colorado; step son, John (Cheri) Sudbay, III of Lewisville, Texas; step grandchildren: Adam (Amanda) Koth, Joey Sahr, Robbie Sahr, Cody Hash, Taylor Hash, Trevor Hash, Jason Wright Sudbay, John Sudbay, IV; and Julie (Peter) Steinfeld, mother of Sarah and Todd Utter.

Dick was preceded in death by his parents, Eugene and Genevieve Utter.

Cemetery Details

Storm Lake Cemetery

Storm Lake, IA 50588

Previous Events

Service

JAN 7. 3:00 PM (CT)

Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home - Storm Lake
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Interment

JAN 7 (CT)

Storm Lake Cemetery
Storm Lake, IA 50588

Tribute Wall



“ *Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Richard E. Utter*



Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home - January 04, 2017 at 05:21 PM

RO

“ *Miss you every day Dad!!!!*

Ronda

Ronda - March 30, 2017 at 01:09 PM

JA

“ *My Condolences to the Utter Family. I have many memories of Dick on Iowa Street. God Bless you "Ut".*
Jack Anderson

Jack Anderson - January 07, 2017 at 09:35 AM

FH

“ *2 files added to the tribute wall*



Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Homes - January 06, 2017 at 08:56 PM



“ We are so sorry to hear of Dick's passing! We have been out of town and just learned of it today.....you are all in our thoughts and prayers.....so many fond memories of W 5th St and beyond.....Deepest Sympaties to you all! Mike and Roxi Pertzborn and the Gaffney Family

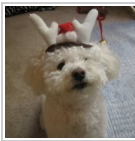
Roxi Pertzborn - January 06, 2017 at 03:02 PM



“ A CANDLE HAS BEEN LIT IN MEMORY OF DICK. PRAYERS FOR ALL OF BOTH FAMILIES. MAY HE BE AT PEACE. ALWAYS LIKED DICK. HE ALWAYS SAT IN ABOUT SAME SPOT AT B.V. MEN GAMES WHILE ABLE TO GO.
LARY & PATTY GUNVILLE



PATTY GUNVILLE - January 06, 2017 at 09:18 AM



“ Alan Cerniglia lit a candle in memory of Richard E. Utter



Alan Cerniglia - January 05, 2017 at 01:59 PM



“ Classic Sympathy Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Richard E. Utter.



January 05, 2017 at 08:35 AM

TH

“ Tracey Hash lit a candle in memory of Richard E. Utter



Tracey Hash - January 04, 2017 at 10:42 PM

EL

“ Dick was the loving and supportive husband of my wonderful friend Janice who worked with me and many students in Storm Lake Schools. I'm with Janice through this whole process of grieving

Elizabeth - January 04, 2017 at 06:18 PM

JW

“ Rita, Randy & Rhonda: I am so sorry to learn of Dick's passing. You & your families are all in my thoughts & prayers.

Joy Weitzel-Boyer - January 04, 2017 at 04:06 PM



“ European Sympathy Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Richard E. Utter.



January 04, 2017 at 11:47 AM

JO

“ Jeff & Marjean O'Bannon lit a candle in memory of Richard E. Utter



Jeff & Marjean O'Bannon - January 03, 2017 at 12:59 PM

PS

“ Pat Sudbay lit a candle in memory of Richard E. Utter



Pat Sudbay - January 03, 2017 at 08:55 AM

JD

“ John And Connie Demers lit a candle in memory of Richard E. Utter



John and Connie Demers - January 03, 2017 at 07:44 AM

JD

Our thoughts and prayers go out to the family. May the special memories you have help you through this difficult time.

John and Connie Demers - January 03, 2017 at 08:02 AM

Jeff
Myers

“ Jeff Myers lit a candle in memory of Richard E. Utter



Jeff Myers - January 02, 2017 at 06:59 PM

NS

“ Nancy Sahr lit a candle in memory of Richard E. Utter



Nancy Sahr - January 02, 2017 at 06:37 PM

JE

“ I love how grandpa would always come to Jayden's (great grandson) baseball games. He would always cheer him on! The love Jay and grandpa had was unbreakable- that will live on forever. Thank you grandpa for showing him everything you did! We love you and will always know you are watching over us! Rest peacefully grandpa - see you soon



Jenna - January 02, 2017 at 03:05 PM

RH

“ Ronda Hogan sent a virtual gift in memory of Richard E. Utter



Ronda Hogan - January 02, 2017 at 03:03 PM

RH

I love you Dad!

Ronda Hogan - January 02, 2017 at 03:04 PM

RO

I can't say it enough Dad how much I love you and miss you!! ❤️

Ronda - January 02, 2017 at 07:49 PM

MU

“ *Morgan Utter lit a candle in memory of Richard E. Utter*



morgan utter - January 02, 2017 at 03:01 PM

SG

“ *Aunt Janice, Randy, Rhonda, Pat, John, Kathy, Nancy, Tracey, and all the grandchildren: Deepest Sympathy and many prayers, Uncle Dick will be greatly missed. He was a great man, so kind, considerate, and funny. He will be remembered always and will never be far from our hearts. Love to all of you with open arms for hugs.*



Sandra & Gary - January 02, 2017 at 12:52 PM

TC

“ *Tim & Pegi Cavanaugh lit a candle in memory of Richard E. Utter*



Tim & Pegi Cavanaugh - January 02, 2017 at 06:51 AM

MW

“ I can't think of a more loyal Buena Vista University athletic supporter and fan than Dick. He rarely missed one of our softball games and loved to second guess my coaching decisions - especially the bunt. You could always find him cheering for the Beavers at football and basketball games as well. He simply loved sports, especially those played by the Beavers. Bob and I have a lot of fond memories of our times spent with Dick. He will be missed by many, but, especially by Bob and I. We will always cherish our friendship and the many laughs we shared. Our love and prayers go out to Janice and the family. We will be thinking of you all and wish we could be at the Memorial Service.

Marge & Bob Willadsen

Marge Willadsen - January 01, 2017 at 07:20 PM

DL

“ **STORM LAKE HIGH 1944-1945. UNDEFEATED FOOTBALL, FOURTH IN STATE BASKETBALL. DON L LAWSON**

DON L LAWSON - January 01, 2017 at 04:43 PM