



Richard "Dick" Lee Scheffers

August 24, 1937 - February 17, 2024

Richard Lee Scheffers, age 86, of DeTour, Michigan, passed peacefully in his sleep on February 17, 2024. He was born on August 24, 1937, in Grand Haven, Michigan, to Simon and Chrystal (Rogers) Scheffers.

Dick grew up in Grand Haven and graduated from Grand Haven High School with the Class of 1955. He enlisted in the United States Army in 1957 and served until he was honorably discharged in 1963. He met Gaye Grimes and they married on June 24, 1961, in Grand Haven. They moved to DeTour in 1976 where they owned and operated Caribou Lake Grocery Store and Resort from 1976 – 1989. They then opened Fortino's Pizzeria and Boundary Waters Resort with their children and operated those from 1992 – 2002. Dick and Gaye also sold real estate for several years until they retired in 2004.

Dick was a member and past commander of the Raber Am-Vets Post 79, and a member of the Berlin LeClerc Rifle Team from 1957-1959.

Dick enjoyed camping, fishing, and wood cutting. He also loved playing cards, cribbage and cruising with friends and family.

Dick is survived by his wife, Gaye of DeTour; daughter Susan (Matthew) Schultz of DeTour; son, James (Vickie) Scheffers of Sage, Arkansas; grandchildren, Riley Schultz, Amilia Scheffers, and Dakota Scheffers; sisters,

Nancy Allen of Grand Rapids, Michigan, and Donna Pope of Grand Rapids.

Dick was preceded in death by his son, Perry Scheffers; parents, Simon and Chrystal Scheffers; father and mother-in-law, Michael and Jeanne Fortino; and father-in-law George Grimes.

In lieu of flowers please consider making a donation to one of Dick's favorite organizations in his memory, DeTour Ambulance Corp and Fire Dept, PO Box 397, DeTour, MI 49725, Raber Am Vets Post 79, 16315 East M 48, Goetzville, Michigan 49736 or Tunnel to Towers Foundation, 2361 Hylan Boulevard, Staten Island, NY 10306.

Family Life Funeral Home assisted the family with arrangements.
Condolences may be left to the family at www.familylifefh.com.

Tribute Wall

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“Gaye, my condolences to you and your family. I remember Dick from when you bought the Caribou Lake Grocery, and I was new to working for the Lottery. Many years ago. Many talks with both you and Dick. Take care.
Billy LaRocque, St Ignace.

Billy LaRocque - February 28, 2024 at 07:28 PM

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“Dick was such a nice person and I loved his sense of humor. He always made sure he talked with everyone and loved to share his smile and humor. He was truly a good man and I thank him for his service to our country. God bless you, Dick.

Betsy Kleist - February 23, 2024 at 11:11 AM

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“Gaye, Sue, Jim, & Family...

We send our condolences to you all. So sorry for your loss.
Thank you for service to our country, Dick! May you rest in peace.

Sincerely~
Cheryl & Dennis



C. Bernard - February 23, 2024 at 11:01 AM