



Richard Arthur Thompson

May 11, 1926 - July 11, 2016

Richard Arthur Thompson, 90, of Fishers, passed away July 10, 2016. He was born May 11, 1926 in Elkhart, IN, to the late Charles Arthur and Harriett Ellen Splady Thompson. Richard served his country in the U.S. Army, honorably discharged in 1945. He received his Bachelor's Degree from Indiana University in 1950 where he was a member of Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity and later a member of the IU Alumni Association. Richard married Virginia (Beege) Dare in 1953, and was the owner/operator of Thompson Manufacturing.

A Memorial Service will be held Sunday, July 24, 2016, at 3:00 p.m. at The Reserve at Hamilton Trace, 9974 Federalist Dr., Fishers, IN 46037.

Richard is survived by his daughter, Suzann (Sue) Thomson (Kelly); and grandchildren, Morgan and Jack Thomson. Richard's wife, Virginia Dare Thompson; and two sisters, Margaret Ann Penrod and Mary Ellen Link, preceded him in death.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Indiana University Foundation. Final care and arrangements are entrusted to Shirley Brothers Fishers-Castleton Chapel.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

JUL **24.** 3:00 PM (ET)

The Reserve at Hamilton Trace
9974 Federalist Drive
Fishers, IN 46037

Tribute Wall

DG

“ We was a best friend to Lyle Gilbert since childhood. I am glad we got to meet Lyle's childhood friend. We heard the stories of his high school days in Elkhart. Diana and David Gilbert

Diana Gilbert - August 14, 2023 at 08:16 PM

BP

“ Barbara (Penrod) and Glenn Walters and Jim Penrod purchased the Basket of Memories for the family of Richard Arthur Thompson.



Barbara (Penrod) and Glenn Walters and Jim Penrod - July 22, 2016 at 11:04 AM

CD

“ Dear Suzie...I was so sad to hear of Dick's passing. He was like a second Father to me. Dick and my Dad were always taking me to countless basketball games. So many fond memories of Dick and Beege. Joyce and I had a great weekend at 2002 Final Four with your parents. I will always be thinking of Dick as we watch our Hoosiers. Take care. Chris Darling



Chris Darling - July 21, 2016 at 08:37 AM

DT

“ I am deeply saddened to learn of Dick's death. I knew Dick as a boy and a man. He and I hung around with others like Lyle Gilbert and Bob Pickering and enjoyed each other's company. Dick had marvelous character, buttressed by loyalty like none other. He never forgot a friend; and his loyalty to his high school class (Elkhart High School, Class of 1944) and his University is legendary. He will be greatly missed by all those he befriended. My deepest sympathy to Sue and Dick's grandchildren.

Dick Treckelo

Dick Treckelo - July 20, 2016 at 02:20 PM

WB

“ Dick was a wonderful friend to the Bill Borneman family for decades. He was a fine man and will be greatly missed.


William Borneman - July 20, 2016 at 07:18 AM

KC

“ Dear Susie, I just wanted to tell you how sorry I was to hear of your dad's passing. Out of our parents Elkhart group of friends your dad was by far the last living "Uncle". He is now up with his old Elkhart Blazer buddies (including my dad, Keith Kessler, Bill Elliott, Red Miller, Danny Wynokowski, Jimmy Esberg, George Chapman, Eddie & John Longfellow, Dick Hill & the rest of the old gang). Your parents were always Auntie Beege and Uncle Dick to me. I remember our mushrooming weekends, sledding, going to Ma's, parties, the card clubs, the lake, etc. Our parents all had such a great time together. In past years I use to hear from your dad when he would come to Elkhart for a visit. We use to email now and then also. We all have wonderful memories to fall back on of our parents. Take care Susie. I am thinking of you and your family.

Kris Kessler Crouch Whitman

Kris Kessler Crouch-Whitman - July 18, 2016 at 10:46 PM

 Jenny
Fisher

“ Dear Sue and family, While we've never met you, your father was quite special to our family. We enjoyed taking in an IU football/basketball game or just simply having dinner together. Our three children looked up to him just as we did. My most cherished memory was the 16 hours driving him to and from Atlanta to see IU in the NCAA tournament. He told me story after story of his childhood, adulthood, and military service, not once repeating a story. He adored your mother and know he is now with her. Cherish your special memories. We've lost a dear friend. With regards, Mark & Jenny Fisher John, Marshall & Mallory



Jenny Fisher - July 18, 2016 at 07:11 PM