



Richard L. "Dick" Wethington

November 16, 1924 - January 18, 2019

Richard Leon "Dick" Wethington, 94, of Centralia, passed away Friday, January 18, 2019 at Fireside Nursing Home and Rehabilitation of Centralia with his loving family by his side.

Richard was born on November 16, 1924 in Haynes Township, son of Everett V. Wethington and Pearl B. (Hinderer) Wethington. He married Helen Dickinson on July 3, 1948 in Centralia and she preceded him in death on December 28, 2016.

He is survived three children: Marsha Shepard of Oglesby, Rick Wethington and wife Debbie of Walnut Hill, and Linda Moore of Centralia; five grandchildren: Jennifer Heredia and husband Hugo of Spring Valley, Butch Shepard and wife Missy of Oglesby, Chris Wethington of Centralia, John Wethington and wife AshLee of Centralia and Nikki Moore of Rantoul; 10 great-grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, wife, a son: Michael K. "Pickle" Wethington in May of 2018, a brother: Dean Wethington, and two sisters: Pauline Sanders and Mary Harvey.

In 1943 Richard joined the U.S. Navy during World War II. He served aboard the USS Hubbard and Richard was the last survivor of all his shipmates. Richard managed The Martin Oil Stations in Centralia and in Wright City, MO. He later became a storekeeper for Warren A. Murray Center where he retired after 23 years. He was a lifetime member of the Centralia Moose Lodge 1219 and a lifetime member of the Centralia American Legion Post 446. Richard

was a band parent, cub scout and boy scout leader, and a baseball coach. He loved camping, fishing, hunting, wood working, golf, and family gatherings. Richard's biggest love was attending Centralia Orphan games with his best friend Sparky Meyer. They were such avid orphan fans, that they were even inducted into the Centralia Sports Hall of Fame.

Funeral Services for Richard L. "Dick" Wethington will be held Wednesday, January 23, 2019 at 11:00 AM at the Sutherland-Garnier Funeral Home in Centralia. Burial will follow at Hillcrest Memorial Park in Centralia. Military Honors will be accorded at the gravesite by the Centralia American Legion Post 446 and the Centralia V.F.W. Post 2055. Visitation will be held Wednesday morning from 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM at the funeral home. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Centralia High School Booster Club and will be accepted at the Sutherland-Garnier Funeral Home at 235 North Sycamore Street Centralia, Illinois 62801, (618)532-3523, who is honored to be of service to the Wethington Family. Online condolences may be made to the family by visiting www.sutherlandfuneralhome.com

Cemetery Details

Hillcrest Memorial Park

2500 Old Highway 51 North
Sandoval, IL 62882
hcmp1921@aol.com
<http://www.sutherlandfuneralhome.com>

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN **23**. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

VA

“ Valerie(Garren)Matthews lit a candle in memory of Richard L. "Dick" Wethington



Valerie(Garren)Matthews - January 22, 2019 at 01:18 PM

RB

“ our condolences to Dicks family, Rick and Beverly Bousman, Bonnie Mullins, Barbara Sticher, Venita Wade, he was a friend of our family for many years...

richard bousman - January 22, 2019 at 09:30 AM

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“ Linda and I would take him to Pancake House for lunch, we always had a great time, he loved his pancakes. He was a wonderful man



Helen Halstead - January 20, 2019 at 12:14 AM

JP

“ Jan Poehler lit a candle in memory of Richard L. "Dick" Wethington



Jan Poehler - January 19, 2019 at 08:24 PM



So sorry to read about your dads passing .Remember our camping good times ,family parties, picnics, etc. What a sweet couple they were. I have to work, so I won't be able to attend, but know you are in my thoughts & prayers. Lynn Johnson

Lynn Johnson - January 22, 2019 at 06:44 AM