



Richard S. deBear

January 18, 1933 - November 23, 2018

deBear, Richard, November 23, 2018 age 85 of Plymouth. Beloved husband of the late Estelle. Loving partner of Carol Reed. Loving father of Diane (Ralph) Fortson, Patricia (Mark Talkington) deBear, Robert (Jane) deBear, Christopher (Cathy) deBear, and Nancy (Gerald) Naski, and the late Richard (Wendy) deBear. Proud grandfather of 13 and great-grandfather of 6 (almost 7). Richard is the founder of Library Design Associates, who was involved in hundreds of Library design projects in Michigan and Ohio. He loved all sports, especially cheering on University of Michigan Basketball, but in his words his finest accomplishment is His Family. Visitation Monday, November 26th 3-8 pm at Vermeulen-Sajewski Funeral Home, 46401 Ann Arbor Rd. W. (Between Sheldon & Beck) Plymouth. In state Tuesday, November 27th 10 AM until the 10:30 AM Funeral Mass at Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church, 47650 N. Territorial Rd, Plymouth. Memorials may be made to Dead End Boys Scholarship/Queens College Foundation CUNY 65-30 Kissena Blvd, Flushing, NY 11367. To share a memory, please use the Share a Memory tab on this web page.

Cemetery Details

Riverside Cemetery

680 Plymouth Road
Plymouth, MI 48170

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV **26**. 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Vermeulen-Sajewski Funeral Home Plymouth
46401 Ann Arbor Road West
Plymouth, MI 48170
(734) 459-2250
plymouth@vermeulenfh.com

In state

NOV **27**. 10:00 AM - 10:30 AM (ET)

Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church
47650 North Territorial Road
Plymouth, MI 48170

Funeral Mass

NOV **27**. 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Richard S. deBear*

December 07, 2023 at 05:11 AM



“ *Dick deBear and I worked together for years! He became a personal friend of mine because he was truly one of the most fun, outstanding person's I ever met! Just a special human. On a professional level, he helped in the renovation and restoration of the historic Hoyt Public Library, Public Libraries of Saginaw. Through that project his honesty and talent really came through. He was just such a "stand up guy". I will miss our periodic breakfasts. Miss you Richard, Norm Maas 757-647-3035.
Ps He always talked so proudly about his family and his relationships! His love of sports was just unreal! 11-26-2018*

Norman Maas - November 26, 2018 at 12:45 PM



“ *Nancy,*

Ellen and I just want to let you know that we are thinking of you. So sorry to hear about your dad's passing.

Guy Provenza & Ellen Looker

Guy Provenza - November 26, 2018 at 10:31 AM



“ *Grande Gourmet Fruit Basket was purchased for the family of Richard S. deBear.*



November 26, 2018 at 10:07 AM



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Richard S. deBear.*



November 26, 2018 at 09:42 AM



“ *I was saddened to read of Dicks passing. I had the pleasure of working with him for a number of years as his design consultant. We initially worked together updating his Library Design logo and printed materials. Later we worked together developing the American Library Design graphics, and after that, his first website. Dick had an excellent eye for design and made my job easy. I typically presented him with several design directions. He really seemed to enjoy following the creative process. After some discussion with his interior designer, Janet, he was quick to make a selection. Dick had unusually good instincts and confidence in what he liked. It was tremendously enjoyable to work with him. I always looked forward to our work sessions, seeing his office, and admiring his artwork collection. I will remember him fondly.*

Larry Kolde

Larry Kolde - November 25, 2018 at 07:09 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Richard S. deBear.* ”



November 25, 2018 at 10:52 AM