



Richard "Dick" Swisher

June 6, 1921 - April 16, 2015

Swisher, Richard Myles (Dick) June 6, 1921 – April 16, 2015. The oldest of twelve children, Dick grew up in Detroit and raised his family in Redford Township. Dearly loved by family and friends, he is survived by brothers Earle and John, and sisters Delores, Janet, and Shirley, daughters Beverly Johnson and Marie Steffes, as well as stepdaughter Janet Sockolosky, and Joyce Swisher, wife of deceased son David. He is also survived by grandchildren Debi, JoAnne, Kelly, Sara, Clay, Scott, Jennifer, Karen, Steven, and Kevin, and thirteen great-grandchildren.

After serving in the U.S. Army in World War II in North Africa and as an M.P. in California, Dick married Evelyn Elaine Burns, who died in 1974. In 1976 he married Rose Jean Seibert, who died in 2009. He retired from Mobil Oil and lived in Florida, where he was head groundskeeper at the training complex for the Toronto Blue Jays. He returned to Michigan and worked for Plymouth Township, and then Canton Township Parks and Recreation. Until a few months before his death, he was the Canton Leisure Services photographer. He was a member of the Free Masons and the Methodist Church. For the past fifteen years, he was a member of the First Presbyterian Church of Plymouth, where a memorial will be held in June. Donations may be made to the American Cancer Society, 20450 Civic Center Drive, Southfield MI 48033; or Arbor Hospice, 2366 Oak Valley Drive, Ann Arbor MI 48103. Arrangements by Vermeulen-Sajewski Funeral Home.

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“ *Richard "Dick" Swisher*

December 07, 2023 at 05:11 AM



“ *Earle you & your brothers and sisters have my sincere sorrow for the Death Of Your Beloved Father Richard.
Remember JESUS Words"Happy Are Those Who Mourn, Since They Will Be Comforted. Matthew 5:4.*

James Saunders - May 06, 2015 at 11:31 AM



“ *Joyce, sorry for your loss, It's been a long time, give us a call.
Ben & Cheryl Null
6575 Six Mile Northville Mi 48168
248-4866683*

Bradley Null - April 20, 2015 at 10:10 AM



“ *Beverly and Marie,*

As a little girl who remembers your father from Hazelton, my sincere condolences. I always remember your dad as personable, upbeat, and friendly. He also had the cleanest cars and best looking lawn on the block.

My thoughts and prayers are with you.

Linda Shaheen

Linda Shaheen - April 19, 2015 at 06:44 PM

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Linda - Thank you for your kind words. He was always proud of his cars and his lawn!! Hazelton was a long time ago, but such fond memories....Marie

Marie Steffes - April 21, 2015 at 04:38 PM

KB

*Bev,
Was so sorry to see your dads notice in the Observer. Such a super, energetic and alway happy man. Sounds like he lived his life to the fullest. I have fond memories of him.
Thinking of you and your family.
Love,
Kathy Barringer*

kathy Barringer - June 14, 2015 at 02:33 PM



*Dear Swisher family- I tried calling Dick recently and feared of learning of his death. I am so very sad. I am however extremely grateful for being able to spend time together not that long ago. He drove to see me at my parents 2 Christmases ago. We talked on the phone many times afterwards. He always made sure to make me feel special and loved. We 1st meet 34yrs ago working for Plymouth Township cutting grass together. :-)
I will sorely miss him and cherish our special friendship.
May he rest in peace... we have experienced and lost a truly unique & special man. ???
My love & great sympathy
Renée Braun Pasley*

Renee Braun Pasley - June 14, 2015 at 10:30 PM

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*Correction in my previous comments. ..
'A truly unique &special man !!!!' No ' ? ' About it! :)*

Renee Braun Pasley - June 15, 2015 at 10:59 PM