



Richard Ray Martinsen

February 13, 1936 - March 7, 2021

Richard Ray Martinsen, age 85, passed away on March 7, 2021.

Richard was born on February 13, 1936 to Arthur and Virginia Martinsen in Bellingham, WA. He attended Bellingham High School and graduated in the class of 1955. On January 1, 1979, Richard married Ella Jane Stumpe in Ferndale, WA.

Richard loved hiking, camping, bicycle rides, and hanging out with his children and grandchildren. He especially loved trips on his motorcycle. Always the fun-loving Dad, if he didn't know the answer to something, he'd say "I'm not gonna tell ya" or that it was "secret" or "classified." He was a mischievous joker, and we will miss the ever-present twinkle in his eye. He always loved to take pictures, seriously, a crazy amount of pictures!

Richard was the most fun loving, humorous, inquisitive, loving husband, father, and grandfather. His cute stories will be remembered fondly as well as his abundant offerings of "I love you."

He is predeceased by his parents, Art and Virginia Martinsen; siblings, Donna Davies and Wesley Martinsen; daughter Tarena Martinsen; and great granddaughter Grace Martinsen.

Richard is survived by his wife, Jane Martinsen; children, Wesley Martinsen, Craig Perry, Robert Martinsen, Mark Perry, Norman Martinsen, Denice Peterson, and Tara Boeckholt; twenty-two grandchildren; and thirty-eight great grandchildren.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Ferndale Food Bank: PO Box 1593 Ferndale, WA 98248.

Tribute Wall

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“ Uncle Richard, we all our wondering what kind of motorcycle you are driving around on those streets of gold? Godspeed Uncle Rich until we meet again... Send our love to all our family up there... We all know you are making everyone laugh at your stories...

Vickie & Teresa - March 14, 2021 at 12:00 AM

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“ I met Dick when we moved to Ferndale in 2005. He was so kind to welcome us to a new area with friendship, faith, and fun. He always had a “cute story” to make me laugh and to illustrate a point. I really admire his dedication to serving other families and sharing his faith in Jesus Christ, even when it was difficult. Much love to Jane and the family. Dick will be missed by all who knew him!

Louise Nelson - March 10, 2021 at 12:00 AM

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“ We join our hearts with yours as you remember your wonderful Husband, Father, Grandfather, Great Grandfather Uncle and Friend. May many special memories comfort you and bring you peace.

Mike and Lorraine Cooper - March 09, 2021 at 12:00 AM

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“ Our love and condolences to Jane and the whole family. What a wonderful man! His devotion to faith and family was admirable. May you feel peace in the memories of a life well lived. Hugs!

Stephanie Pratt - March 09, 2021 at 12:00 AM