

## The Broken Chain

We little knew that day, God was going to call your name. In life we loved you dearly, In death, we do the same.

It broke our hearts to lose you.
You did not go alone.
For part of us went with you,
The day God called you home.

You left us beautiful memories, Your love is still our guide. And although we cannot see you, You are always at our side.

Our family chain is broken, And nothing seems the same, But as God calls us one by one, The chain will link again.



#### CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF

# RICHARD RESSLER

#### IN CELEBRATION OF LIFE

### West Funeral Home

West Fargo, North Dakota Thursday, October 3, 2019 - 1:00 p.m.

#### Presider

Fr. James Meyer Holy Cross Catholic Church West Fargo, ND

#### Music

"I Can Only Imagine" Mercy Me "Time In A Bottle" Jim Croche

#### **Pallbearers**

Rich's Grandchildren

Robert Ramberg Cameron Ramberg Christian Ramberg Sierra Ramberg Conrad Ressler Jessica Morrissey Justin Koski

## **Military Rites**

West Fargo VFW Post 7564 ND Military Funeral Honors Team - Army

#### Interment

Sybil Lake Cemetery

Rural Vergas, MN

The family wishes to express their appreciation for your kindness and support during this difficult time. Please join them for a Celebration of Rich's life at the West Fargo VFW immediately following the service.

## RICH RESSLER

## Remembering the life of....

Richard Ressler passed away peacefully and with dignity at Sanford Hospital on Saturday, September 28th, 2019, surrounded by his loving family. Rich was born on July 31st, 1940, to John and Katherine (Skalski) Ressler in Solen, ND. He grew up in Mandan, ND, graduating from Mandan High School with the class of '59. Rich married Karen J. Nelson on March 3rd of 1963 in Mandan. They had three children, Gregory, Sherri and Brenda. Rich and Karen lived in Mandan until moving to Minot in 1964. The family moved again in 1972, settling in West Fargo, ND.

Rich was a very motivated man determined to succeed in life through hard work and perseverance. His first job was pumping gas in Bismarck. He went on to become a typewriter repairman, moving on to copier repairman, then to copier salesman traveling Eastern Montana and Western North Dakota. Rich served in the National Guard from 1962 to 1968. Rich eventually helped start up and owned GR Graphics Office Equipment in the mid '70's, selling and servicing office equipment along with office supplies. He ran GR Graphics for 33 years and sold to Marco Inc. in 2009. In retirement Rich enjoyed time with Karen, family and friends at Lake Sybil most of the year and then also in Arizona during winter months.



There were many things Rich was appreciated for by family and friends: Quick wit. His hand gestures and expressions would speak volumes. Ready for a beer and good conversation whenever one was up for it. Rich appreciated a good joke as much as telling them. He was an amazing cook and loved it when people would enjoy his meals including his tasty ribs and his fire and ice pickles. He would have given Bobby Flay a run for his money. Loved watching NDSU Bison football with family and friends alike since moving to Fargo in the 70's. The one beautiful thing about Richie with those that know him, he was generous without ever expecting anything in return.

Rich is survived by Karen, his loving wife of 56 years; his children Greg Ressler (Peggy Heuer) of Dent, MN, Sherri Ramberg of West Fargo and Brenda Koski (Brian) of Hawley, MN; 7 grandchildren: Robert Ramberg (Rachel), Jessica Morrissey, Cameron Ramberg, Conrad Ressler, Christian Ramberg, Sierra Ramberg and Justin Koski, 3 great-grandchildren, Vayda Mae Ramberg, Mia Morrissey and Kaiden Morrissey. He also loved his six granddogs! Rich is survived by a brother Clark of Seattle, WA plus three sisters, Kathleen Costello (Jim) of Mirada, CA; Evey Russell of Mandan, ND and also Hildie Gray of Seattle, WA.