Richard “Dick” Katschman, age 76, of Sioux Rapids, Iowa, died on Monday, October 29, 2018, at the Spencer Municipal Hospital at Spencer, Iowa.

Richard “Dick” E. Katschman, the son of Hershel and Lora (Hoose) Katschman, was born at California, Missouri, on July 21, 1942. He lived his youth in the Council Bluffs community where he attended Manawa Elementary School, Longfellow Middle School and the Abraham Lincoln High School. Following his education, he worked for a farm machinery company in Council Bluffs. Dick faithfully served his country in the United States Army from July 5, 1966 to April 23, 1968. He served during the Vietnam War and attained the rank of sergeant.

On June 25, 1969, Dick was united in marriage to LaDonna Smith in Millard, Nebraska and together they raised four children: Cynthia, Brenda, Richard Duane and Michael. Following their marriage, Dick and LaDonna lived in Council Bluffs where he was employed with Midwest Walnut and he later worked for Blue Star Foods and did trucking for Lonnie Brizendine. They came to make their home in Sioux Rapids in November of 1974. Dick worked for Ranco for 18 years and then he was employed with Scrivner in Laurens. Dick enjoyed his final employment at the Little Sioux Golf and Country Club in Sioux Rapids. He was also with the Sioux Rapids Fire Department for 26 years.

Dick was a member of the Sioux Rapids American Legion and a lifetime member of the VFW. He will be remembered as an avid golfer and Dick also enjoyed skeet shooting, playing cribbage and all types of card, and snowmobiling. Dick’s family was important to him and he loved his grandchildren and great grandchildren very much and Dick gave each one of them a special nickname.

Dick’s life is loved, honored and cherished by his family which include his wife: LaDonna of Sioux Rapids, Iowa, his children: Cynthia Garthoff of Early, Iowa, Brenda (Tim) Peters of Wall Lake, Iowa, Rich (Renee) Katschman of Norwalk, Iowa and Mike (Kasi) Katschman of Sioux Rapids, Iowa, a “special daughter” - Julie Burrell of Rembrandt, Iowa, his grandchildren: Emily Worthan, Kayla (Cody) Terry, Jared (Brittany) Garthoff, Dillon Kunneke, Brady (Haylee) Katschman, Ryan Garthoff, Sarah Katschman, Jakob Katschman, Skyler Lockwood, Riley Lockwood, Ian Lockwood, Brooklyn Katschman, Holli Landcaster (Craig Sinclair), Shelly (Ryan) Sup, Ryan (Michelle) Landcaster, Aaron Landcaster, his great grandchildren: Owen and Olyvia Worthan, Kilian and Kieran Terry, “Baby Garthoff”, Onisia, Carson, Creighton, and Emerson Sup, and Alaina and Kaylee Landcaster, nieces, nephews, other extended family and friends.

He was preceded in death by his mother and step-dad: Lora and Gerald Eblen, his father-in-law and mother-in-law: Russell and Ila Smith, an infant brother, Forrest Dean, and a sister and brother-in-law: Gloria and Tom Brown.
We wish to express our sincere gratitude for the many kindnesses evidenced in thought and deed, and for your attendance at this service. Please join us for lunch and a time of fellowship at the Sioux Rapids American Legion Hall following the burial.

— The Family of Richard Katschman

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The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.
He maketh me to lie down in green pastures;
He leadeth me beside still waters.
He restoreth my soul; He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for His name’s sake.
Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for Thou art with me;
Thy rod and Thy staff, they comfort me;
Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies;
Thou anointest my head with oil, my cup runneth over.
Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life;
And I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

Psalm 23