

Dick Vail, age 70, of Sioux Rapids, Iowa died on Tuesday, May 28, 2019 in Spencer, Iowa.

Richard Vail, the son of Harold and Gladyce (Bowers) Vail, was born on January 18, 1949 in Des Moines, Iowa. As an infant, Dick was baptized and later confirmed at the Trinity United Methodist Church in Webb, Iowa.

Growing up, Dick attended grade school in Webb. He graduated from Marathon High School in 1967. After graduating high school, Dick moved to Des Moines to work at a service station. He later moved back home to Webb where he worked at a service station and helped his dad farm.

On June 19, 1974, Dick was united in marriage to Lourene Miller in Fostoria, Iowa. The couple was blessed with two children, Amy and Justin.

Throughout his working career, Dick was a small engine mechanic and ran the parts store in Sioux Rapids while farming until 1995. He also worked for Ronnie Brown Auctions for 30 years.

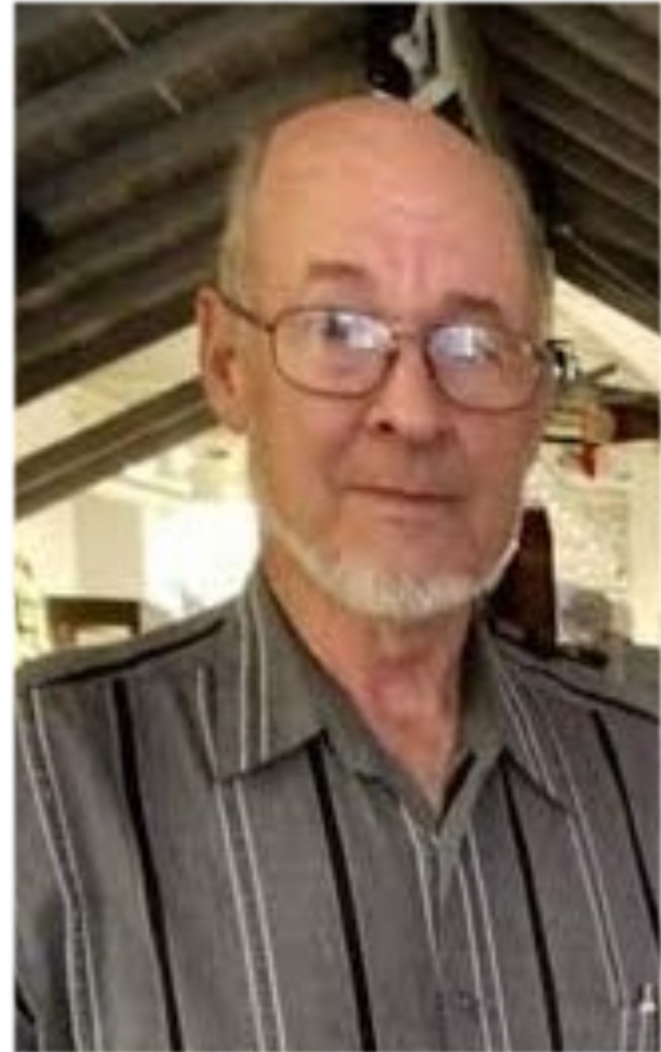
Dick was active in his community through being on the Boards of Supervisors of Buena Vista County for 22 years. He was also named a founder of the Rembrandt Ball Fields, coached kids in summer ball, youth group leader, member of numerous church boards at the First United Church in Sioux Rapids, and served on the board for the Albert City Threshermen and Collectors Show.

Dick's favorite pastime was racing stock cars. In his free time, he enjoyed hunting and fishing; he started a fishing tradition on his and Lourene's honeymoon and they have done it every year since. Dick never knew a stranger and when you visited with him, it was never short.

Those left to cherish his memory include his wife, Lourene of Sioux Rapids, Iowa; children, Amy Rozeboom of Sioux Falls, South Dakota and Justin (Molly) Vail of Spencer, Iowa; grandchildren: Steven, Max, Kyler, Alexis, and Hunter Rozeboom; Tyriana and Jersey Vail; nieces, nephews, and extended family and friends.

Dick was preceded in death by his parents and sister, Ann Vail.

In Loving Memory



Richard "Dick" Vail

1949 — 2019

Remember Me

Don't remember me with sadness,
Don't remember me with tears,
Remember all the laughter,
We've shared throughout the years.

Now I am contented
That my life it was worthwhile,
Knowing that I passed along the way
I made somebody smile.

When you are walking down the street
And you've got me on your mind,
I'm walking in your footsteps
Only a half step behind.

So please don't be unhappy
Just because I'm out of sight,
Remember that I'm with you
Each morning, noon and night.

Thank you for the many acts of kindness and your presence
at this service. You are welcome to refreshments and a
time of fellowship in the church immediately following the burial.

— The Family of Richard “Dick” Vail

IN MEMORY OF

Richard “Dick” Vail

January 18, 1949 — May 28, 2019

FUNERAL SERVICE

Monday, June 3, 2019 — 10:30 a.m.

First United Church
Sioux Rapids, Iowa

CLERGY

Pastor Curt Batschelet

SOLOIST

Rita Schau

“You Raise Me Up”

“It Is Well With My Soul”

HONORARY CASKET BEARERS

Blessed With Too Many To Mention

CASKET BEARERS

Steven Rozeboom, Max Rozeboom, Matt Anderson
Mark Halverson, Brian Halverson, Erick Hoglund

INTERMENT

Lone Tree Cemetery
Sioux Rapids, Iowa

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