



Benedict "Dick" R. Carl

February 13, 1931 - March 28, 2020

On March 28, 2020, Dick died at home losing his battle with cancer.

Dick was born in Shickley, NE on February 13, 1931 to the late Frank and Gertrude Carl. On Dick's fifth birthday, the family left Nebraska by train bound for Turlock, CA. Dick grew up in a house on Crane Ave., which his parents bought from Horace Crane. Dick graduated from Lowell Grammar School and Turlock High School in 1950 where he ran track and played B football.

While in school, Dick worked for Markley's Dairy, delivering milk house-to-house before school and in the summer working at the dairy. He raised chickens and sold the eggs to Polly Anne Bakery. After graduating high school, Dick moved to Sacramento, CA where he worked in the building trades, becoming a talented cabinet maker.

In 1953, Dick married his high school sweetheart, Barbara "Bobbie" Lopes. In 1966, they moved to a farm in Turlock with their children, Dotti and Greg, where Dick built custom cabinets and farmed.

Dick loved Turlock and volunteered at the Turlock Historical Museum for a number of years. He enjoyed sharing his stories about growing up in the town and just generally talking to people. He was a hardworking, kind and generous man.

Dick was preceded in death by his parents and sister, Dorothy Carl. He is survived by his wife of 66 years, Barbara; his daughter, Dorothy Block of Bonners Ferry, ID; and son, Greg Carl of Turlock.

The family wishes to express our deepest gratitude and appreciation to the

staff at Covenant Care Hospice in Turlock for their compassionate care and support.

A visitation will be held from 3 to 5 p.m. on Thursday, April 9, 2020 at Turlock Funeral Home, 425 N. Soderquist Rd., Turlock. A private burial will be held at Turlock Memorial Park at a later time.

In lieu of flowers, those who wish to honor Dick's memory may donate to Covenant Care Hospice, 125 N. Broadway, Ste. 1A, Turlock, CA 95380, Turlock Historical Society, P.O. Box 18, Turlock, CA 95381 or to a charity of your choice.

Cemetery Details

Turlock Memorial Park

575 N. Soderquist Rd.
Turlock, CA 95380
(209) 632-9111
<http://turlockmemorialpark.com>

Tribute Wall



“ *Benedict "Dick" R. Carl*

January 28, 2023 at 09:01 AM



“ *Here I am, stuck in North Idaho due to the Coronavirus restrictions. My Dad taught me so very much. Like how to drive a tractor and a truck and a fast car....all manual shift. This still serves me well when I rent cars in foreign countries. He taught me to always be early, work as hard as I could, going above and beyond, and do my very best. He was an artist with wood and taught me to think out of the box, and never change my mind once the building had begun....which I just did today (a small change :)). My Dad always saw and judged people for who they really were, not race or economic circumstance. I learned that from an early age and it was a most important lesson! He also taught me how to swing a hammer like a man and tape and texture drywall. He taught me to be helpful and kind to people by his example and I try my best everyday. This man taught me acceptance, kindness and love. And I will miss him for the rest of my life*

Dotti Block - April 09, 2020 at 10:17 PM



“ *My Summer time family! Shucking corn, riding a pony, talking to the Stallion, No door on Dotties room, and watching Dick driving tractor and running the farm. He was GOOD People! Great childhood memories with this Family....Barbara was my teacher and Dottie was my best friend for years... Where did the time go? So Glad I was able to drop in for a visit in 2015*

Vicki Lee Hashimoto - April 03, 2020 at 06:18 PM

DB

Thank you Vicki, those are such great memories! That was such a good time!

Dotti Block - April 09, 2020 at 09:55 PM

PO

“ *My heart goes out to you, Barbara. Dick was the dearest man! May peace and love and the memory of his warm laughter be with you and your family, always.*

Patricia O'Donnell - April 03, 2020 at 03:12 PM

RW

“ *Dick was very special to me. I loved him very much. He always had a smile and made you feel like you were special to him. I have fond memories of a trip to Lake Tahoe with them in my early Teen years. I never forget that special trip. Rest In Peace dear cousin ❤️*

Randa Williams - April 02, 2020 at 09:37 PM

DM

“ *Bobbie and the Carl family,*

Having Dick and of course you Bobbie as my customers all these years has always been a happy experience. I could always count of Dick giving me a good laugh. Dick, you will be missed by a lot of folks. You always left me smiling, thank you for that.

*Denise Maxwell
Raley's cashier*

denise Maxwell - March 31, 2020 at 09:15 PM