



Richard August Peiffer

October 11, 1927 - May 22, 2020

Richard August Peiffer lifelong Grand Ledge resident passed away May 22, 2020 surrounded by his loving family. Dick was born October 11, 1927 in Grand Ledge to the late August A. and Dortress L. (Ward) Peiffer Smazel. He attended Grand Ledge High School and proudly served his country in the Army of the United States Signal Core during WW II. Dick worked in home furnishings starting at Richards Furniture in Grand Ledge then Robinson's and finally JW Knapp for 28 years. After leaving Knapp's, Dick went to work as a Supervisor at the District Court in Lansing retiring in 1990. He loved his family and friends and looked forward to spending time with those who meant so much to him around a dinner table with food, fellowship and a game of cards. He especially looked forward to one of his special nieces, Jackie Johnson, Jeannie Schroeder or Mary Gidley bringing him an apple or lemon pie. Dick was a faithful member of St. Michael Parish and will be remembered for his work ethic and wonderful friendship to many. He cherished the opportunity to be Santa Claus for Knapp's but would also carry the act home and peak in his children's windows which gave them a treasured memory of their dad and as the grandkids came along he would be their Santa too.

He is survived by his loving wife of nearly 68 years, Joyce M. (Springsteen); children, Michael (Denise), Rick (Diane); Patricia (special son-in-law, Pete), Mary Peiffer and John (Marcy); grandchildren, Dylan, Dustyn, Emily, Katie, PJ, Kelli, Patrick, Kerry, William, Paula, Amber, Caleb, John Jr. and Autumn; 21 great grandchildren with one on the way; sister, Donna Sweet; nieces and

nephews, Mary Gidley, Jackie Johnson, Jeannie Schroeder, Jennifer Julius, Bob Edgar, Scott Sweet, Tony Sweet, Sue Shoemaker, Kathy Sipperly and Theresa Lippert. Dick was preceded in death by infant son, David; sisters and brothers-in-law, Doris and Don Butler, Betty and Jake Edgar and Philip Sweet; nephews, Jim Butler, Rick Butler, Bob Gidley and Mike Johnson along with in-laws, Harold and Martha Springsteen.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated Saturday, May 30, 2020, 11:00 a.m. at St. Michael Catholic Church, Grand Ledge by Father James Eisele. Family and friends are invited to attend or watch the funeral mass for Dick on the St. Michael Church YouTube channel at this link <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC0cHJ0g9uMkkSu5m0qpg2OA/videos> (Scroll down until you see May 30, 2020 - Funeral Mass.) Rite of Committal will follow at St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery. Visitation will be at the church Saturday from 10-11:00 a.m. Memorial contributions in Dick's name may be given to St. Michael Catholic Church, 345 Edwards Street, Grand Ledge, Michigan 48837 or the Grand Ledge Food Bank, 4980 Burt Avenue, Grand Ledge, Michigan 48837. Arrangements by the Holihan-Atkin-Barclay Funeral Home, Grand Ledge.

Cemetery Details

Saint Joseph Catholic Cemetery

2520 W. Willow
Lansing, MI 48917

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 30. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Saint Michael Catholic Church
345 Edwards Street
Grand Ledge, MI 48837

Mass of Christian Burial

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Tribute Wall



“ *Holihan-Atkin-Barclay Funeral Home & Cremation Services created a Tribute Video in memory of Richard August Peiffer*



Holihan-Atkin-Barclay Funeral Home - May 24, 2020 at 03:07 PM



It is hard to review a life as wonderful as Dick's life. So much to take in. A man blessed with love.

Gregory McDowell - May 25, 2020 at 08:05 AM

JP

Working with Dick was a pleasure of mine which turned into a friendship that I will treasure forever. You were and always will be with me in my heart. Until we meet again Rip

Jamie Peterson - May 30, 2020 at 08:21 PM

VJ

“ Laurie and I were so sorry to hear of your father's passing. Our prayers go out to the entire family, especially Mrs. Peiffer. Although I never really got to know your parents that well, they had to have been great parents because they certainly raised a wonderful family! Based on the video, it appears Mr. Peiffer lived a blessed life and we can't ask for more than that! I did get to know the kids while growing up together in grade school and into high school, especially Mike and Rick. We enjoyed some great times throughout the years! God bless the Peiffer family!

Vic and Laurie Torok

Victor J. Torok Jr. - May 27, 2020 at 06:51 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Richard August Peiffer.



May 27, 2020 at 04:01 PM



“ *Guiding Light Bouquet* was purchased for the family of Richard August Peiffer.



May 27, 2020 at 08:44 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Richard August Peiffer.*



May 25, 2020 at 11:49 AM

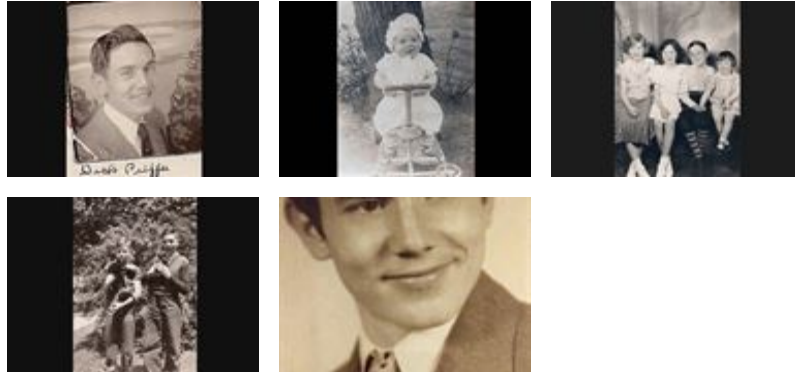


“ *As a District Court Judge in Lansing, I had the opportunity to work with and get to know Dick. Such a kind and pleasant soul. He supervised a department made up entirely of women and did so graciously and with charm. God bless Dick and his family. Charles F. Filice*

charles f filice - May 25, 2020 at 09:14 AM



“ *51 files added to the album LifeTributes*



Holihan-Atkin-Barclay Funeral Home - May 24, 2020 at 02:53 PM



“ 2 files added to the album Peiffer Photo Album



Rick Peiffer - May 24, 2020 at 02:11 PM

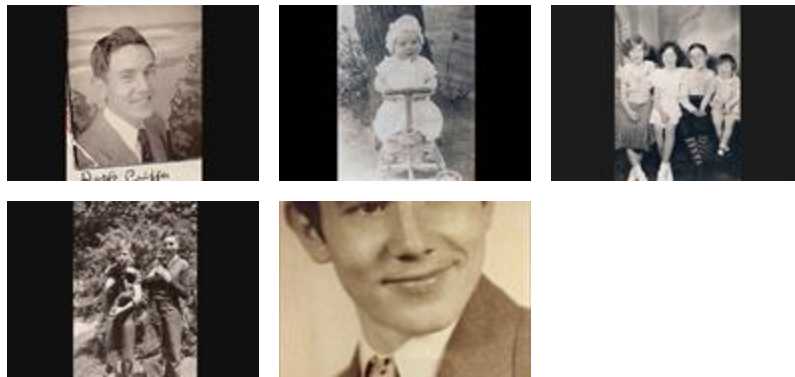


“ So sorry to hear of Dick's passing. I worked with him many years ago at the Court. He was a fine gentleman. He will be missed.

Paul J Fulton - May 24, 2020 at 10:26 AM



“ 51 files added to the album Peiffer Photo Album



Rick Peiffer (son) - May 24, 2020 at 09:41 AM



We have been so blessed with 92 years of wonderful memories of a great man and loving father/grandfather. We miss you dad and love you forever! Heaven has gained a truly wonderful soul!

Rick Peiffer - May 24, 2020 at 11:55 AM

BP

“ We are sorry for your loss. May many wonderful memories of Richard be forever in your hearts. Our prayers go out to the whole family. With love, from the Putnam family.

Brian Putnam - May 24, 2020 at 08:14 AM

 Ed Rork

“ *Patty, So Sorry to hear of your loss!*

Ed Rork

Ed Rork - May 24, 2020 at 08:12 AM

MF

“ *What a wonderful sweet man! We love you Pete and Patty, Mrs Peiffer, John and Marcy, Rick and Diane. May you be comforted by the promise of Jesus of life eternal!!*

Mary and Ken French - May 24, 2020 at 07:54 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Richard August Peiffer.*



May 23, 2020 at 12:10 PM

DH

“ *May your great memories be the strength you need to carry you through this difficult time. We are thinking of all of you with love. The Harley Barnes Family.*

Debbie Hansbarger - May 23, 2020 at 11:24 AM