



Richard Rutten

November 19, 1930 - June 1, 2023

Richard Rutten, age 92, of Carroll, died Thursday, June 1, 2023 at St. Anthony Regional Hospital in Carroll surrounded by his wife and children.

Mass of the Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, June 6, 2023 at St. Lawrence Church – St. John Paul II Parish in Carroll. The celebrant will be Fr. Kevin Richter. Con-celebrant will be Fr. Timothy Schott. Music will be by Kathy Halbur and Kathleen Macke. Mass Server will be Adalynn Pietig. Lectors will be Jamie Hatfield and Laura Snyder. Henry Janning, Oliver Janning, Evelyn Bradford, and Penelope Bradford will present the offertory gifts. Casket Bearers will be Jim Rutten, Jeff Rutten, Matt Hatfield, Josh Snyder, Joe Janning, and Ben Bradford. Burial will be in Mt. Olivet Cemetery in Carroll with military honors conducted by the Carroll American Legion.

Visitation will be held at the Sharp Funeral Home from 4-7 p.m. on Monday. A Carroll Knights of Columbus Rosary will be prayed at 5 p.m. with the Carroll Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus standing at attention. A Christian Wake Service will be held at 6:30 p.m. The casket will be moved to St. Lawrence Church on Tuesday morning where visitation will resume from 9:30 to 10:15 a.m.

Funeral arrangements are under the guidance of the Sharp Funeral Home

and online condolences may be left for Dick's family at www.sharpfuneral.com.

Born on November 19, 1930 to Frank and Dorothy (Bruening) Rutten, he was the oldest of nine children. Raised on a farm near Mt. Carmel he attended Mt. Carmel School graduating in the top ten of his class...(There were only ten). He enlisted in the United States Navy on January 1, 1951 and served in the Korean Conflict aboard the Battleship USS New Jersey BB62 until November of 1954 attaining the rank of Machinist Mate 2nd Class.

Richard was married to Ruth Sibbel on April 7, 1955. Together they raised four children, Allan (Cindy) of Pleasant Hill, Dennis (Joan) of Carroll, James (Mary) of Bellevue, NE, and Lisa (Philip) LaPenna of Marquette, MI.

Richard was the Iowa Regional Sales Manager for Air-Way Vacuum of Omaha. In 1955 he and his first wife Ruth established and operated Rutten's Vacuum Center in Carroll until their retirement in 1995.

"Dick" was an avid fisherman and family man who lived a full life. A gifted vocalist, he sang for the R.S.V.P. singers, Elks Chorus and St. Lawrence Parish Choir. He was a member of the Carroll Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus and member of the Carroll American Legion. He loved to golf, camp and follow sports on television.

Richard married Mary Jo (Spagnolo-Kelley) on September 16, 2016. In addition to his wife, he is survived by his children and many grandchildren and great-grandchildren. His step-daughter Kathleen Shelton of Kansas City. His brothers: Robert of Omaha, Tom (Suzy) of Naples, FL; his sisters: Janice Brink of Minneapolis, MN, Donna (Denny)LeGros of Omaha, Mary Kay (David) Schmeiser of Carroll, Karen (Gary) Kunecke of Carroll, and Joleen Hauser of Carroll.

He was preceded in death by his first wife Ruth on December 5, 2015, his parents Frank and Dorothy Rutten, his parents-in-law: John and Elizabeth (Soppe) Sibbel, his brother Ronnie of Davenport, brothers-in-law Richard (Dick) Brink, Jerry Hauser, Johnny Sibbel, and Clarence Wempe and sister-in-law Lorraine Wempe.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 5. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

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Mass of the Christian Burial

JUN 6. 10:30 AM.

St. Lawrence Church – St. John Paul II Parish

Tribute Wall

BV

“ *My sympathy to all of you.*

Bev Vonnahme - June 06, 2023 at 06:54 PM

BD

“ *Beth Danner lit a candle in memory of
Richard Rutten*



Beth Danner - June 06, 2023 at 12:05 PM

JD

“ *Denny & Alan, so sorry to hear about the loss of your Dad. Our
deepest sympathies and condolences to you and your families.
Thoughts and prayers sent your way. 🙏🙏*

Jim Determan - June 06, 2023 at 11:33 AM

SS

“ *SUSAN SCHMEISER lit a candle in memory
of Richard Rutten*



SUSAN SCHMEISER - June 05, 2023 at 08:03 PM

TG

“ I'm sorry for you loss Al and Denny. I didn't know your dad well but know he raised a couple fine men that were my classmates. Prayers to you and your family.

Tim Gradoville - June 05, 2023 at 12:13 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Richard Rutten.



June 05, 2023 at 10:07 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Richard Rutten.



June 04, 2023 at 03:26 PM

AF

“ ALLAN & CINDY & FAMILY purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Richard Rutten.



ALLAN & CINDY & FAMILY - June 04, 2023 at 03:18 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Richard Rutten.*



June 04, 2023 at 09:57 AM



“ *Impossible to choose just one memory. Let me bunch all of them into one common scenario for Dick, and we can't forget, Ruth. They had four children in this HUGE house as we were growing up. But not very often was it just the four! Whether it was 8am or 8pm, from 4th grade to HS graduation, these two wonderful people were dealing with a few more kids constantly wearing out their welcome as most kids/teenagers do!*

From constantly knocking on the door at 8am on summer mornings, raiding the pantry minutes later, running up and down the halls upstairs, they dealt with it honorably! From finding stolen objects in the garage to getting knocks on the door from strange people who just had snow balls thrown at them as they passed by, these two were always cool about it (well, Denny, Al and Jim may have got the scolding, I can't verify!)

The constant teasing Lisa got from any one of four or five extra boys in the house, poor Ruth needed a referee shirt!

I could go on and on, and on!

Dick was a smart man, worked his butt off, the old school way. Very logical thinker, and a great business man. He was a true family man.

Rest in peace Dick, you deserve it :)

Mark Meyers - June 04, 2023 at 09:34 AM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Richard Rutten.*



June 03, 2023 at 06:20 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Richard Rutten.

June 03, 2023 at 04:32 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Richard Rutten.*



June 03, 2023 at 11:21 AM



“ *My deepest condolences to all! A great guy!*

Denny O'Grady - June 03, 2023 at 11:20 AM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Richard Rutten.*



June 03, 2023 at 10:30 AM

DR

“ Love you Dad! You have always been my guidance. I know you will continue to guide me. Give Mom a big hug. -Denny

Denny Rutten - June 03, 2023 at 10:19 AM

DO

“ Diane Olson lit a candle in memory of Richard Rutten



Diane Olson - June 02, 2023 at 03:47 PM