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Dickie Meier passed away on January 27th 2005 at his home in Springdale, Arkansas. Dick was born in Oskaloosa, Iowa on January 31, 1935.

He is survived by his wife, Joan Meier to whom he was married for 48 years, his son Richard Meier and Randy Meier, his wife Christine and grandchildren Scott Meier, Jason Meier, Lori Meier, Robert Meier, Ryan Meier and Jordan Meier.

His is also survived by his twin brother Jackie Meier, his brother Ray Meier and sisters Cheryl and Linda. Dick was preceded in death by his parents Wendell and Alice Meier and his oldest brother Bill Meier.

Dick joined the United States Navy at the age of 17 and he traveled throughout the South Pacific. He then joined the United States Coast Guard and retired after 21 years of service. He served in both the Korean and Viet Nam wars. He permanently moved his family to Springdale, Arkansas after moving them from coast to coast during his time in the service. Dick began a second career by joining the team at National Home Centers and retired for a second time after 20 years. Dick continued to work helping with numerous family businesses.

Dick lived to serve everyone around him, always there with a helping hand. He was an inspiration to all who have met him. He always carried a smile and a sparkle in his blue eyes. Dick was devoted to his wife, children and grandchildren providing constant support and unconditional love. He was patient and persistent and to his friends Dickie was known for his positive attitude, friendship and his sense of humor. Saying the right thing to bring a smile at the time one was needed, even in the worst of times. He friends would always say "There is no one like Dickie Meier"

As Dick's children, we feel blessed to have known him as a parent and a friend. He paved the way for us in life and built a strong foundation for his family.



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We will forever cherish the memory of Dickie Dean Meier. We will miss his wonderful sense of humor, his generous nature, his strength, his belief in the human spirit, and his support for his friends and family. We give all of our thanks to God for blessing us with Dick's presence.

Family and friends are cordially invited to a visitation with the family Sunday January 30, 2005, 3-6 p.m. at Nelson-Berna Funeral Home. Celebration services will be held in the Chapel of Nelson-Berna Funeral Home at 10:00 AM Monday, January 31, 2005, on which day, Dick would have reached his 70th birthday. Honorary Pallbearers are his grandsons Scott, Jason, Robert and Ryan Meier; Pallbearers Brother, Ray Meier, Brother Jack Meier, friends Donny Stone, Chewie Issac, Charles Bowen, Tom O'Neal and Robert Clements, David Stobaugh.

Memorial contributions can be made to HOPE, Inc. and organization dedicated to helping families with cancer through their website at www.hope-nwa.org or by mail, 210 S. Thompson, Suite 5 Springdale, AR 72764.

Visitation Date Time Sunday, January 30, 2005 3:00 PM until 6:00 PM Visitation Location
Nelson-Berna Funeral Home Service Date Time Monday, January 31, 2005 10:00 AM Service
Location Nelson-Berna Funeral Home Chapel



GA

Gayla (Acquaintance) posted:

My deepest sympathy to the family of Mr. Meier. I knew him only the short time that he was seeing Dr. Bradford. He and his family were all very pleasant to care for and patients like him are certainly missed when it is their turn to go. If I had known, Mrs. Meier, that we had mutual friends I would have spoken to you and your husband about them. I go to Rev. Paul Eden's church and have heard great things about Mr. Meier and his family since his passing. I know that your heart is broken but I pray that the Lord blesses you with comfort during this time and as you know we have not seen the last of Mr. Meier. He just gone on to "help" get things ready for us!! I don't know if you've ever heard the song "Let's Meet By the River" but if you haven't it would be worth your time to try to find it. The prayers from Revival Tabernacle I extend to you through this message so you know that we are thinking of you!!

August 30 at 9:50 AM

TF

Tom & Barbara Hall (Friends) posted:

I knew Dick when we were kids. The thing that stands out in my memory the most was when Dick was in the Navy. He was home on leave from Japan and we were talking about the food in Japan. Dick said he ate raw fish over there. I said I don't believe it. He said lets go get some and I will eat it. (Back then nobody ever ate raw fish) I had never heard of it. Anyway we got in my car and headed up to the old Benoits Fish Market at 16th and Summitview. We went in and I bought some raw fish and Dick ate it. I was impressed. I never saw Dick with out a smile. Tom Hall.

August 30 at 9:50 AM

JM

Joyce Derouchey (Cousin By Marriage) posted:

You are all in our thoughts as you go through this trying time. Remember to take one day at a time and that Dick is in a better place and is no longer suffering. He is there with making my mother and dad smile as he always had a way of doing that. We love you and know that if you ever need or just want to talk we are here for you. Joyce and James

August 30 at 9:50 AM

LN

Lori Moore (Niece) posted:

We were very fortunate to have gotten to see Uncle Dickie this past summer. What a wonderful smile, sense of humor and soul he possessed. He touched everyone who was ever lucky enough to meet him. It was so apparent the deep love that was, and is still, between he and aunt Joan. May that love carry you through this very difficult time. Much love, Lori and family

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DN

Darla (Meier) Harlow (Niece) posted:

My thought's and prayers are with you all during this difficult time. I wish you all the best for what the future may bring. My family and I are thinking of all of you and especially Anut Joanie. You all take care.Love Darla and Family

August 30 at 9:50 AM

LS

Linda Searing (Sister) posted:

My brother Dickie Meier was the nicest man I have ever known.I will so miss all the phone calls from him! And I will treasure the last times I have been with him, just this last Thanksgiving, and of course this past summer, when him and wife Joan,along with our other brother Ray and his wife came to see me.We had such fun!!THE MEIER FAMILY HAS SO.MUCH LOVE.I will miss you so much brother.

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JA

Jim Johns (Acquaintance) posted:

Dickie would come by and visit with me in receiving at National Home Center. He and shared the same birthday. He was A fine person and and will surely be missed by everone who knew him.

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RF

Roslyn And Kevin Barry (Friends Of Family) posted:

We send our love and prayers to the Meier family and the O'Neal family.From a fellow Coast Guard family, that also knows cancer, we have been praying these many days that our "Eternal Father, Strong to Save" would strengthen Dick and his family.God bless you all.Roslyn and Kevin

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TF

Tom And Lynn Clements (Friend Of Family) posted:

Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this time. I know your father was very special to both of you.All of our love, Tom and Lynn

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RN

Rick And Sandy Frazier (Neighbor) posted:

Joan and Family, Please call on us if there is anything at all we can do. We are so sorry for your loss...Rick and Sandy Frazier

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LN

Larry And Brenda Kesner (Friends & Neighbors) posted:

We have been blessed to have known and been neighbors with Dick and Joan for thirty years. They are more like our family than just friends. We love them dearly and there will be such a void without Dick. He always had a smile, even after he became ill. What an inspiration! We pray that God will give Joan and his family the strength to make it through this difficult time, and we will always be here for Joan. Love, Larry & Brenda

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TM

Todd, Amy & Aubrey Rood (Nephew Of Ray & Betty Meier) posted:

Dear Meier Family, I am very sorry about your loss. I thoroughly enjoyed seeing Mr. Meier as a patient, and know that this has been a difficult time for your family. It is obvious how much he is loved and will be missed. I enjoyed learning more about him from his obituary and appreciate you including so much information. If there is anything that I can ever do, please let me know. Again, I want to express my deepest sympathies to your family. Sincerely, John Nolen

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AC

(Acquaintance) posted:

Dickie was a very special man. He always had a smile and encouraging word. An inspiration to all who knew him. He was a very special friend. I enjoyed working with him at National Home Center. He always lend a helping hand. Sorry we can not attend services since we are out of state. May God bless Dickie's family and many friends. Roy and Brenda Wilburn

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Evelyn Spalinger (Cousin By Marriage) posted:

Although I knew there was little chance that Dick could live when I left Thursday afternoon, there was a deep sense of loss at the news of his death. Words really cannot express how sad I really felt. At family gatherings, Dick was always there in support of his wife, Joan and his family. He was courteous and friendly to all of us. It seems like yesterday, when at his and Joan's wedding, he was the person Joan "leaned" on, and she has leaned on him all 48 years since. He has provided well for her. The same goes for his children as his son Randy testified to on Wednesday night before his death. Randy said Dick was a wonderful father, that he was always there when he needed him. I know how much his wife and children will miss him but just remember what he said, "I am paving the way." So we know he will be waiting for you. I hope you know that all your cousins offer our deepest sympathy and love. Our prayers and thoughts are with you and pray that God comforts you. Love, Evelyn Spalinger

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Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Dickie by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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