



Richard Edward Tulp

May 24, 1935 - April 25, 2020

Richard Edward Tulp (Dick), age 84, Fargo, formerly Valley City, ND died April 25th, 2020 in Fargo, ND. A private family funeral service will be held 2:00 pm, Saturday, May 23, 2020 at Epworth United Methodist Church, Valley City. The service will be Live-Streamed at <http://epworthvalleycity.com/>

He passed away at Villa Maria Nursing Home, as the result of complications from COVID-19.

Richard was born to John Quincy and Helen Louise (Martin) Tulp in their home in Silver Lake Township, ND. He was the youngest of their three sons; his older brothers being Virgil and Robert. A few years after Richard's birth, the family moved to a farm west of Hurdsfield, ND before they settled into the home his father built in Hurdsfield. As a young man, he entered the United States Army in 1954, where he was later stationed in California. Soon after, he married the love of his life, Evangeline Sue Kittelson (Vange), on August 28, 1955 at the Oakland Army Base in California.

Upon being discharged from the Army in February of 1956, Richard and Evangeline moved back to Hurdsfield, ND where they farmed for several years. Then, in 1963, they put down roots in Goodrich, ND. This would be their home for 22 years. While in Goodrich, Dick and Vangie kept quite busy supporting their family and community. They owned the local cafe, while he

worked for a local farmer, bladed roads for the county and custom combined for three years. Dick was even Sheriff of Sheridan County, where he encountered many hair raising situations. In 1985, they moved to Valley City, ND. Dick worked as a truck driver until injury left him no choice but to retire from the workforce.

But anyone who knew Dick Tulp, knew that retirement left him busier than ever. He was a member of the United Methodist Church, and the Goodrich and Valley City Lions Clubs. He volunteered and served his community wholeheartedly. Wesley Acres Camp held a special place in his heart and he volunteered many hours there and also organized many work days for his recruits from the Epworth United Methodist men. His hobbies included hours spent in his woodworking shop, fishing, and card games; Dick and Vange crafted many birdhouses and countless other projects for family and friends. He always found time for fishing with his buddies and spending time visiting and playing games with his children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren.

There was a running joke in the family that you could place Dick Tulp anywhere in the world and he'd always find someone he knew. He never let a day pass without bragging about his wife of 63 years, his four children, ten grandchildren and 30 great grands. He cherished every visit from us and said he couldn't live without us. It will be difficult for all of us to live without him because he nurtured a close knit family.

Dick is survived by his 4 children, Vikki (Ellery) Coombs, Jamestown, ND; Kevin (Anita) Tulp, Rogers, ND; Debra (Gary) Koebernick, Fargo, ND; Anne Marie (Roland) Daniel, Eagan, MN; 10 grandchildren Eric Coombs, Melissa Coombs Faul, Christopher Coombs, Ryan Tulp, Wyatt Tulp, Courtney Tulp Pyles, Corey Koebernick, Myriah Koebernick Becker, Dia Daniel, Brody Daniel, and 30 great grandchildren, nieces and nephews, extended family and friends, and his Villa Maria family. Preceded in death by his wife, Vange;

parents, John and Helen; and brothers, Virgil and Robert.
Service arrangements are pending, TBA.

Cemetery Details

Pleasant Hill Cemetery

Hurdsfield, ND

Previous Events

Funeral Service

MAY **23**. 2:00 PM (CT)

Live Stream Service - Epworth United Methodist Church
Valley City, ND
<http://epworthvalleycity.com>

Tribute Wall



“ 1 file added to the album *Richard Tulp's Military Honors*



Oliver-Nathan Funeral Chapel - May 24, 2020 at 06:00 PM

RK

“ *I remember well my friend, Dick Tulp. Recall him playing basketball on the Hurdsfield Grade Team. A party held at his parents home will never be forgotten. We all had such a good time around the piano--in fact, I sat on that bench his mother, Helen said, playing the piano for some six hours! The imprint of my plaid pants is still seen on the bench! When I returned to Hurdsfield and sang for the 1972 Graduation in the gym, I can still recall his smiling face and thumbs up as I finished singing! Farewell, my friend.
Richard Kendall, Hollywood, California*

RICHARD KENDALL - May 23, 2020 at 04:55 PM

DG

“ We were grateful for the opportunity to join in Dick's memorial service by computer link today. Dick and I grew up together, sang in the gospel quartet together for many year, and lived where our families were very close. He was a major force in my life, and Marjorie and I will miss him terribly. It was a real joy to get to see some of his talented family today, and we are pleased to see that Dick's legacy lives on to such a great extent.

Warmest regards to you all.

Don and Marj Grimm

Don Grimm - May 23, 2020 at 04:08 PM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Richard Edward Tulp.



May 22, 2020 at 04:48 PM

TG

“ My sympathy on the passing of Dick. We had many good memories in Lions. The best was we had to work together on the scrapbook. A true comedy of errors. I will miss him.

Tom Goven - May 20, 2020 at 09:38 AM

PO

“ We remember Dick as our milk truck hauler in days gone past.
We extend our deepest sympathy to the family ...a family that we do not know...
but we feel your grief in this time.
May the memories that you share dwell deep in your hearts.
May you find comfort in those memories.
Durward Phyllis Duane Otterness Tower City

Phyllis Otterness - May 09, 2020 at 11:32 AM

GG

“ With sympathy. He was a good Lions member and a kind heart.

Gigi Goven - May 07, 2020 at 10:51 AM

KG

“ I always remember Dick as a good and honest man. Dick and his family made Goodrich a better community. Glad to have had the experience of knowing him.

Kalon Gesellchen - May 01, 2020 at 07:46 PM

BM

“ Dick and Vange were fun and easy to be around when we were included in family/friends get-togethers. Our heartfelt sympathy to you all! 💕

Barb/Jay McCarty - April 30, 2020 at 11:25 PM

TW

“ To recall all the memories it would take a book. As kid's we seldom called adults by there first name. Your folks will always be Uncle Dick and Aunt Vange. They also had all the rights to discipline just as my parents. Many nights and days with the Tulp family. Thanks for being my cousins. We all say farewell. I'm betting he misses this world, but to be reunited with your mom completes his circle. And he will have many friends there as well. My deepest sympathy for you all. Hope we can all get together and have a celebration of his life.

Terry Weckerly

terry weckerly - April 30, 2020 at 12:35 AM

PN

I send my sympathy to all of you. Both your parents were very special to me. They are missing from my life.

Pat Nielson - April 30, 2020 at 12:18 PM

KV

“ So sorry to hear of Dick's passing. So many good memories. Praying for all of you.

Karen Vietz - April 29, 2020 at 12:35 PM

LS

A wonderful caring, kind man. You will be missed. Praying for family.

Lynnel Savage - April 29, 2020 at 04:38 PM



“ Sorry for your loss. He was a good man. My thoughts and prayers are with your family.
Good neighbor to my parents in Goodrich.
I remember those rides to school in that station wagon that was used to get us to school before Hurdsfield got school buses. Wow, so many years ago now.

Corinne Wenzel - April 29, 2020 at 11:57 AM



“ Spent many days and night at their home. Dick was a very nice man and father. Sorry that you were not able to be with him went he was sick and his last day on earth. After all these years I never know that his middle was Edward. Thoughts and prayers for the family.

Malette Young - April 28, 2020 at 07:23 PM



“ So sorry for your loss. Remembering your family in our prayers.

Nell Mertz - April 28, 2020 at 07:22 PM



“ So sorry for your loss. I remember both your Mom and Dad in Goodrich, they were always so kind. I'm sure you will miss him very much. Thoughts and prayers to your family.

Jon & Mavis (Mauch) Hieb

Mavis Hieb - April 28, 2020 at 07:16 PM

SM

“ 60+ years of friendship and so many memories of laughter, reminiscing and always good food nearby. One memory I have is their first visit to us after moving to our home in Ada. Dick rang the doorbell, Wendy answered and was so thrilled to see him she literally jumped into his arms almost knocking him over. He often mentioned that welcome!
Remembering all the happy times together with love and sympathy.
Shirley and Harold Mueller

Shirley Mueller - April 28, 2020 at 03:31 PM

CN

“ Sympathy to all the family. Sorry for your loss of Sick, he will be greatly missed by many people. He was always so kind and friendly. May God Bless.

Carol Nelson - April 28, 2020 at 02:23 PM

CN

Sorry I can not spell, should have been loss of Dick.

Carol Nelson - April 28, 2020 at 02:26 PM

AD

“ Thinking of all of you at this difficult time. I have many good memories of times spent with all of you at your place in Goodrich or at our place. I'll always remember the way he laughed while telling his stories. I had taken mom and dad to visit them while they were at Edgewood in Jamestown. Take care and God Bless.
Audrey Brynjulson Duppong

Audrey (Brynjulson) Duppong - April 27, 2020 at 06:35 PM