



Richard "Dick" L. Dragoo

June 10, 1933 - December 28, 2021

Richard "Dick" L. Dragoo, 88 of Rushville passed away on December 28, 2021 in Rushville. He was born on June 10, 1933 in Muncie, IN to the late Marion G. Dragoo and Nettie O. (Carnes) Dragoo. Dick was a 1951 graduate of Royerton High School. He received his Bachelor's Degree from Ball State in 1955 and his Masters in 1959. Dick served his country in the United States Navy from 1955-1957. He married Martha Jane (Myers) Dragoo on August 22, 1959 and she preceded him in death on September 6, 2014. Since 1973, Dick and his family enjoyed 49 summers on Paradise Lake in Carp Lake, MI where they owned and operated Tall Pine Resort.

Dick taught business, health and physical education in Rushville Schools for over 35 years. He was a basketball coach at Rushville High School from 1958-1967. Dick also coached golf from 1967-1974. He was a member of Main Street Christian Church where he was a Sunday school teacher, youth group leader, deacon and elder. He was actively involved in the community by serving on the Rushville City Council. Dick was a member of Breakfast Optimist Club and Rushville Elks Lodge. In 1997, he was named a Sagamore of the Wabash, which is the highest honor given for distinguished service to the State of Indiana.

Dick is survived by his son, David (Lindsey) Dragoo of Fishers, IN and daughters, Nancy (Rob) Hamilton of New Castle, IN and Julia Dragoo of Rushville. He will also be missed by his grandchildren, Laura, Kate, and Abby Hamilton; Ella Dragoo; Will Hogsett and Sam Smith.

Dick is preceded in death by his parents, Marion G. Dragoo and Nettie O. (Carnes) Dragoo, wife, Martha Jane (Myers) Dragoo, brother, Robert E. Dragoo, his paternal grandparents Frank and Mary Effie (Mock) Dragoo and his maternal grandparents John & Alice (Brown) Carnes.

A memorial service will be held on Sunday, January 2, 2022 at 1:00 PM at Moster Mortuary with Pastor John Wall presiding. Friends and family are welcome to visit from 11 AM until the time of service. Private burial will be held at a later date for the family. Memorial contributions can be made to the Rush Memorial Hospital Foundation, the Rush County Community Foundation (Dick and Jane Dragoo Memorial Scholarship Fund) or the donor's choice.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 2. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Moster Mortuary
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Rushville, IN 46173
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Tribute Wall



“ *Moster Mortuary created a Webcast in memory of Richard "Dick" L. Dragoo*



Moster Mortuary - January 02, 2022 at 11:50 AM

PS

He was all so a driver ed teacher in the summer. I really liked him

Polly Beckner Sturgeon - January 16 at 12:02 AM



“ *Richard "Dick" L. Dragoo*

January 28, 2023 at 12:19 PM

BH

“ Our lives were enriched in 1965 when we moved to Rushville and lived just across Harrison St from Dick and Jane. A great memory was seeing them bring Julie home from the hospital. The first year that they had Tall Pines, there were no vacancies when we called, but they found a place for us to stay on Paradise Lake. The next year Jane called to let us know they had an opening and our family has now enjoyed the next 48 summer vacations at Tall Pines being with the Dragoo family and many Rushville friends. I have so many great memories with Dick such as going out in Lake MI and Huron to find lighthouses in Great Lakes, the tennis matches we had with Dick and his brother Bob. My tennis partners and I found them almost impossible to beat. The many day trips Dick, Jane, Claudia and I took in Michigan, Orange Beach, AL, and Florida are all great memories. We have been truly blessed to have Dick and Jane and the entire Dragoo family as our special friends.

Bob and Claudia

Bob and Claudia Hoban - January 01, 2022 at 11:21 PM

CN

Dick (Mr. Dragoo) touched many lives as a teacher/leader at RCHS. He was a leader in the organization, the Office Education Association, of which I participated while I was in high school (graduated 1973). He was a kind and very gracious man of integrity. He was a great role model and encourager of students. His influence was inspiring. RIP Mr. Dragoo.

Cathy Niedenthal-Rohrer - January 12, 2022 at 01:20 PM

ME

“ *It was a blessing to have had the opportunity to spend time with Dick the last several years during our visits to Tall Pines. I will miss our visits at the lake but I look forward to seeing him again in glory.*

Marc England - January 01, 2022 at 01:07 PM

TF

“ *The Altman Family purchased the Lovely One Sp
athiphyllum Plant for the family of Richard "Dick"
L. Dragoo.*



The Altman Family - December 31, 2021 at 03:59 PM

AB

“ *Wishing family and loved ones peace and
comfort in fond memories. Our condolences
to the Dragoo family*



Alicia and Thomas Birks - December 31, 2021 at 01:18 PM



“ *Your Light Shines was purchased for the family of
Richard "Dick" L. Dragoo.*



December 31, 2021 at 03:43 AM

CG

“ *Mr. Dragoo will be remembered as a man of kind deeds. Carol
Smith Goins*

Carol Goins - December 30, 2021 at 09:36 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Richard "Dick" L. Dragoo.*



December 30, 2021 at 04:06 PM



“ *Wonderful childhood memories.. I am so sorry Julie my thoughts and prayers are with you and your family*

Lora (Means)Vaughn - December 30, 2021 at 12:45 PM



“ *Penny Adams lit a candle in memory of Richard "Dick" L. Dragoo*



Penny Adams - December 30, 2021 at 11:42 AM



“ *WE WILL MISS SEEING THAT KIND AND FRIENDLY SMILE.YOUR NEIGHBORS ON CARLTON COVE.*

JEFFREY GREEN - December 30, 2021 at 10:10 AM

JG

“ *My heart is hurting, but I only smile when I think of you and all the memories! Thank you for being such a good man & friend to many! God bless the entire Dragoo family!! Love to all - Jennifer Stumpf Garofalo*



Jennifer Garofalo - December 29, 2021 at 11:52 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Richard "Dick" L. Dragoo.*



December 29, 2021 at 10:27 PM

EZ

“ *Our family enjoyed his hospitality for forty years at Tall Pines. Condolences from Earl, Shirley, Kara, and Nicole.*

Earl Zylstra - December 29, 2021 at 10:09 PM

PK

“ *We're sorry for the passing of Dick. He was a kind, friendly, soft spoken and caring neighbor of ours on Carlton Cove for twenty five years. We wish his family precious memories to help cope with their loss.*

Donna & Paul Karbowski

Paul Karbowski - December 29, 2021 at 05:47 PM

TO

“ Terra Overman lit a candle in memory of Richard "Dick" L. Dragoo



Terra Overman - December 29, 2021 at 05:16 PM

TP

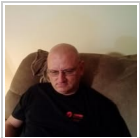
“ One of the best teachers. He told me he could relax when I drove the drivers training car. The other two were scary. Great man. Thomas Piles

Tnomas Piles - December 29, 2021 at 04:15 PM

MH

“ Dick and Jane both were so lovely and welcoming. Thank you to the Dragoo family for sharing your summer happy place with so many of us over the years

Meredith Hoban - December 29, 2021 at 04:12 PM



“ Jim Walker lit a candle in memory of Richard "Dick" L. Dragoo



Jim Walker - December 29, 2021 at 02:45 PM

SC

“ Coach was all I ever knew him by. He was not only a teacher. He was a mentor and friend!! Not sure if he would admit being my Driver Ed teacher. Will miss his wisdom, smile and friendship. Rest well Coach!!

Steve Cory - December 29, 2021 at 02:20 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Richard "Dick" L. Dragoo.



December 29, 2021 at 01:59 PM

SH

“ Susan Hill lit a candle in memory of Richard "Dick" L. Dragoo



Susan Hill - December 29, 2021 at 01:36 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Richard "Dick" L. Dragoo.



December 29, 2021 at 01:26 PM

SC

“ *Sally&John Collyer lit a candle in memory of Richard "Dick" L. Dragoo*



Sally&John Collyer - December 29, 2021 at 12:52 PM

MK

“ *Melody Kaster lit a candle in memory of Richard "Dick" L. Dragoo*



Melody Kaster - December 29, 2021 at 12:34 PM

MF

“ *We enjoyed many years up at the lake with Dick and Jane and all the gang from Rushville. They called us “the kids” even though we were long time grandparents and we loved it❤️. He was such an awesome teacher/coach that influenced many a young student thru out the years. Lots of memories floating around in our hearts now. Nancy, Julie and David and all the rest of the family know that you are in our thoughts and prayers.I know you will celebrate his life in such a special way.*

Mary and Tom Floyd - December 29, 2021 at 10:05 AM

JP

“ *Mr. Dragoo was always so calm, wise and respected. I loved talking with him. His chuckled laugh made him even more endearing. I famously hit him in the back of the head w my serve and he still trusted me to keep playing. Loved those tennis games w him and my dad. Also loved spending time w him and his family at the lake cabins they so heartfully maintained and opened to friends. A treasure rush county will miss. Sending love to Nancy, Julie and Dave. Sincerely, Julie Moster Pappas*

Julie Pappas - December 29, 2021 at 09:32 AM

CA

“ *My thoughts and prayers go out to you Julie and all the family 🙏*



Caroline Allison - December 29, 2021 at 09:16 AM

RC

“ *Sorry to see this. He was a wonderful teacher, a good friend and a great guy. My condolences to Julie and family.*



RON D. CAMERON - December 29, 2021 at 08:44 AM



“ *Great guy. Always very kind. My deepest condolences...* ”



Greg Raike - December 29, 2021 at 07:45 AM



“ *Sarah Mcclanahan lit a candle in memory of Richard "Dick" L. Dragoo* ”



Sarah Mcclanahan - December 29, 2021 at 07:31 AM



“ *Scott Gorman lit a candle in memory of Richard "Dick" L. Dragoo* ”



Scott Gorman - December 29, 2021 at 05:45 AM



“ *Mr. Dragoo was such a nice man and a polite person.* ”

Doris Goins McDougal - December 29, 2021 at 12:55 AM

DC

“ *Such a wonderful teacher and friend.*



Dave and Dottie Clevenger - December 28, 2021 at 09:30 PM

CJ

“ *So sorry to see this; he was such a nice man.*

Carol Jones - December 28, 2021 at 05:19 PM

TS

*RIP , Coach
Tom Stamm*

Tom Stamm - December 28, 2021 at 06:18 PM

JG

Julie, i am so sorry to hear of your dad's passing. My thoughts are with you my friend.

Jane Gentry - December 28, 2021 at 07:35 PM

BG

Dragoos...So sorry to hear of the passing of such a good man. Prayers surrounding all of you. Becky Merriman Gibbons

Becky Merriman Gibbons - December 28, 2021 at 08:47 PM



One of my favorite teachers, always encouraging, always pushing me to be better, always asking how I was every time I would see him. Odd thing I was just asking Julie last week how Coach was. Truly an icon in our school system. Scott Gorman

Scott Gorman - December 29, 2021 at 05:44 AM

KA

Such a fine man and tremendous teacher. Always treated everyone with dignity, therefore he was held in the highest esteem. God Bless Mr. Drago and family.

Kathy and Larry Angle - December 30, 2021 at 06:02 PM