



## Richard "Dick" Herter

May 11, 1942 - January 9, 2018

Richard "Dick" Herter (1942-2018)

PARKERSBURG – Richard Arthur "Dick" Herter, 75, of Parkersburg, Iowa, died Tuesday, January 9, 2018 at the Cedar Valley Hospice Home in Waterloo.

He was born May 11, 1942 in Evergreen Park, Illinois, the son of Henry and Emilie (Brookins) Herter. On July 6, 1963, Dick was united in marriage to Ivadean Haskenhoff in Hawkeye, Iowa.

Dick graduated from Calumet High School in 1960 and served in the US Navy Submarine Service from 1961 to 1966. He was a Journeyman Wireman with IBEW Local 288 and then a delivery driver for Varsity Cleaners, retiring in 2005. He was a member of Ascension Lutheran Church; a lifetime member of the Cedar Falls AMVETS Post #49 where he served with the Honor Guard; and past Commander of the United States Submarine Veterans Iowa Base.

In prior years he served as a reserve deputy for both Blackhawk and Grundy County Sheriff's Departments, a volunteer medic for the Dike Fire Department, and graduated from the Mason City College of Auctioneering School in 1979. He was an Eagle Scout and enjoyed the outdoors spending many hours geocaching, deer hunting, turkey hunting, and fishing. He was also an avid reader and wrote many poems.

Dick is survived by his wife, Ivadean of Parkersburg; a daughter, Erika (Mike) Horstmann of West Des Moines, IA; two sons, Jeffrey (Barbara) Herter of Wilton, IA and Jason (Angi) Herter of Iowa Falls, IA; six grandchildren: Raymond and Sheila Horstmann, Marvin and Lydia Herter, Emilie and Kielinn Herter; a sister, Jacquelyn Williamson of Manteno, IL; and a brother, Kenneth Herter of Beecher, IL.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a brother-in-law, James Williamson; and a sister-in-law, Geri Herter.

Services: 10:00 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 13 at Ascension Lutheran Church in Waterloo with burial in Cedar Valley Memorial Gardens, Cedar Falls. Military honors will be conducted by the Cedar Falls AMVETS Post #49 Honor Guard. Visitation from 4 to 7 p.m. Friday, Jan. 12 at Richardson Funeral Service, Cedar Falls.

Memorials may be directed to Christian Crusaders or the American Cancer Society.

# Cemetery

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**Cedar Valley Memorial Gardens**

Cedar Falls, IA, 50613

# Events

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**JAN 12 Visitation 04:00PM - 07:00PM**

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Richardson Funeral Service

615 Main Street, Cedar Falls, IA, US, 50613

**JAN 13 Funeral Service 10:00AM**

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Ascension Lutheran Church

2211 Maynard Ave, Waterloo, IA, US

**JAN 13 Burial with Military Honors**

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# Comments

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“ So very sorry for your loss Ivadean. Dick was an awesome person I remember riding our snowmobile to you home to play cards and training with Dick on the fire department He was a good man and I was lucky to call him my friend

**jody zimple** - January 12, 2018 at 08:52 PM

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“ Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Richard "Dick" Herter.



January 12, 2018 at 10:01 AM

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“ Ivadean, Erika & Mike (Ray, Sheila) and the families of Jeff and Jason- My sympathies to each of you! Thankful Dick was a good husband and great dad! Thankful he was a part of giving us a great friend, sister in Christ- Erika. His Peace and Comfort! Carrie Leiran



**Carrie Leiran** - January 12, 2018 at 09:48 AM

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“ Jeff and Family,  
We send our sympathies, thoughts, and prayers. I remember your hospitality on a weekend pheasant hunt near your home while we were at Ellsworth. Although I didn't get to your father well I remember the sparkle in his eyes when he spoke and the quiet passion he had for his family. It was obvious why he had a quality person as a son. A son that helped guide me through the first half of my freshman year of college. Thank you for your friendship all those years ago.  
Brad, Marcy, and Family

**Brad Wymer** - January 11, 2018 at 10:17 PM



“ I was saddened to hear of Dick’s passing. I worked with him at Roling’s and really enjoyed it. And how could you ever forget his mustache. My condolences and prayers are with you at this time.

**Terry Schatzberg** - January 11, 2018 at 07:30 PM

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“ Ron Syverud purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Richard "Dick" Herter.



**Ron Syverud** - January 11, 2018 at 10:26 AM

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



January 11, 2018 at 10:16 AM

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“ Garden Accent- Gone yet not forgotten... (small) was purchased for the family of Richard "Dick" Herter.



January 10, 2018 at 11:29 PM

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“ On January 9th, 2018 death had a momentary victory over a patriot, but it was only for a moment, a blink of an eye. Victory came immediately after. Dick (Richard) Herter pasted into eternity with his Lord and Savior, never to battle with pain or suffering again.

If you knew Dick, even for a few minutes, you would soon be aware of his great loves and passions. He loved his God, his wife, his children, grandchildren and his country with a passion that few could match.

He had the heart of a warrior, a competitor, and a fighter, who loved completion in any form, whether it was playing five hundred, cribbage, or pegs and jokers or any other activity. He could and would make completion out of fishing, who could catch the first fish, the biggest fish, or the most fish. He loved the outdoors, and there were not many outdoor activities he had not tried over the years. As much as he liked to win, he was always a gracious loser, but immediately ready for the next challenge. He fought the cancer that was within his body, and battled it with all his heart. Throughout his battle, you never heard him question why this was happening to him, or to complain, although you knew he was suffering, and was in pain. He was quick to say that God was in control, and whether God chose to heal him, or take him home, he was okay with it.

He was a joy to be around, from his wit and sense of humor, to his outgoing personality. He never met a stranger, and was always there to lend a hand if needed. Over the years I have been blessed to have had many good friends, but I never lucky enough to have had a biological brother. I have come to regard Dick Herter as a special friend, but also as a my brother. I am a better person for having met him, and will miss his friendship, but will see him in glory.

John Lindaman

**John Lindaman** - January 10, 2018 at 06:38 PM



“ Thank you, John. What an Incredible tribute to my Dad!

Erika Horstmann

**Erika Horstmann** - January 11, 2018 at 12:30 AM



“ Large Basket Garden was purchased for the family of Richard "Dick" Herter.



January 10, 2018 at 05:13 PM



“ My deepest sympathy to you, Ivy, and your entire family. God bless and comfort all of you in your grief but fill your hearts with the joy of knowing Dick is securely in the arms of the Lord. Much love, Linda Shapiro



Linda Shapiro - January 10, 2018 at 01:53 PM

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“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Richard "Dick" Herter.



January 10, 2018 at 01:44 PM

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“ Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of Richard "Dick" Herter.



January 10, 2018 at 01:19 PM

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“ Dick was a dedicated member of our Cedar Falls AMVETS Honor Guard unit. He was serious about giving the deceased veteran full military rights to honor his military service.  
When we perform full military rites for Dick, we hope to give him an honorable salute for his service to our county and his service to our Honor Guard Unit.  
Rest in Peace Dick!

Tom Hagarty for the Cedar Falls AMVETS Honor Guard Unit.

Tom Hagarty - January 09, 2018 at 09:21 PM