



Richard Lowell Liedorff

September 1, 1937 - June 14, 2020

Richard "Dick" Lowell Liedorff, age 82, of Brookfield, passed away Sunday, June 14, 2020 at his home surrounded by family.

Visitation will be held on Thursday, June 18, 2020 from 5:00 to 8:00 pm at Grace Baptist Church, Brookfield, Mo. Funeral services will be held at 10:00 am on Friday, June 19, 2020 at Grace Baptist Church with Pastor Kelly Bodwell officiating. Private burial will be held at the Missouri State Veterans Cemetery, Jacksonville, MO. In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to the DC Project Foundation (dcproject.info/donate) or Linn County 4-H Fair. Please share a story with the family at the online registry at www.rhodesfh.com.

Dick loved his family and was a jack of all trades and master of MANY. He served in the army and told many stories about driving his crane and the friends he met. He never met a stranger and would give you the shirt off his back. Upon return from the army, he served as a Missouri State Highway Patrolman for several years. Following that he was an insurance adjuster where he made many more friends. He then returned to his law enforcement roots and was active on sheriffs department and ambulance service. Dick started the Linn County Underwater Recovery Unit and provided solace to many families. He loved the second amendment and was a certified firearms instructor, providing concealed carry classes for many.

Dick was an active servant in his community and loved helping people! He served on the Parks & Recreation Board as well as the Senior Center Board. He served Meals on Wheels and absolutely loved playing pitch with all his friends at the senior center. He made an impact wherever he went and always supported the underdog. One of the things he's most remembered for was being known as "The Voice" for horse shows all over the country. From local horse shows to national championships he was known and loved far and wide. He encouraged and shaped many young lives over the decades and he will be deeply missed.

Richard is survived by his wife, Toni, of the home; two daughters, Lorrie Ramseier (Terry), St. Joseph, MO; and Dianna Muller (Ryan), Coffeyville, Kansas; three grandchildren, Matthew McCoy (Amanda), Astoria, NY; Allie Conner (Brett), Agency, MO; Kaleb Ramseier (Randol), Kansas City, MO; three great-grandchildren, Oliva Grace Conner, Lincoln Wayne Conner, and Issac Lee Conner, as well as many other family members and friends.

Richard was preceded in death by, his grandparents, Harry Ronchetto and Margaret Ronchetto, his parents, Teresa Feltz and Lowell Liedorff; his brother, Ronald Feltz; two uncles, Don Liedorff, and Johnny Ronchetto; and one aunt, Louise Ronchetto.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN **18**. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Grace Baptist Church
324 Grant Street
Brookfield, MO 64628

Funeral Service

JUN **19**. 10:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

AT

“ I loved working with Dick during the horse shows on the Missouri State Fairgrounds. He was the ring announcer and I was a staff photographer. We had so much fun during the 4-H shows. He genuinely cared about the kids and knew many by name. He would often get a tear in his eye during the graduating members "final ride". He was a devoted supporter of military service personnel and veterans. When we worked the draft horse show, he would open with a military volunteer from each branch of service, carrying in their respective flag. As each flag entered he would ask those in the audience, active duty or veteran to stand and be recognized. It was a beautiful thing to see. I will miss his professionalism, bright smile, kind heart, wonderful stories and sense of humor.

Abbie Turner - July 29, 2020 at 07:56 PM

AT

“ 1 file added to the album Memories Album



Abbie Turner - July 29, 2020 at 07:27 PM

RF

“ We are so sorry to hear of Dick's passing. He rated high among our memories of our horse show days. He was a wonderful announcer, but more than that he was a special person! Dick will be remembered by many,many people whose lives were touched in some way by him and will be missed very,very much. Our thoughts and prayers go out to Toni and his family.

Richard & Pam Witherow Family - June 19, 2020 at 09:31 AM

PM

“ Sorry to hear of Dicks passing. I can always remember him being involved with 4-H and at Christmas time taking my kids by to see the reindeer and decorations that Dick had at his home. My prayers and thoughts are with Toni and all the family.

Paula S McCollum - June 18, 2020 at 04:26 PM

JF

“ So sorry to hear about Dicks passing. Spent many days in the Horse Show arena listening for his voice...always enjoyed catching up at the Pecan Festival in more recent years. My thoughts a prayers are with you!! Joyce Driskell Fox from Marshall live in Brunswick MO now.

Joyce Fox - June 18, 2020 at 01:36 PM

DE

“ dorothy E. purchased a sympathy card for the family of Richard Lowell Liedorff.



dorothy E. - June 18, 2020 at 11:33 AM

AH

“ Dick was a 'one of a kind guy' in the best possible way. Dick and Dean had so many adventures together over the years and Dean always cherished their friendship. He had such an outstanding announcer voice which paired with his personality made him a real standout whenever he took to the microphone at an event. My daughters fondly recall their horse show days with Dick and Toni and their motorhome. They were always so happy to see them with a definite reward to go inside for treats of a squirt, funyuns, and air conditioning!!! Our thoughts and prayers are with the Dick Liedorff family.

Andrea K Herring - June 17, 2020 at 08:41 PM

GR

“ Gayla Ross lit a candle in memory of Richard Lowell Liedorff



gayla ross - June 17, 2020 at 07:07 PM

DD

“ So sorry to hear of Dick passing. He was a wonderful man, always happy to see everyone. He was a horse show icon. He was the best announcer ever. I remember him coming down and buying Haus. Rest In Peace Dick, you made a difference.

Don and Judy DeLaney - June 17, 2020 at 06:03 PM



“ My condolences to the Leidorff family. When I was a young boy growing up in Brookfield on Penn Street Mr Leidorff work ask us to help train his bloodhounds..It was always fun to try and hide from the dogs, but they always found us in a tree or in a culvert. I never received a speeding ticket from him but he always told me to slow down. My life has been better because of his kindness and friendship.. He will be greatly missed but I will always have the memories of him and his bloodhounds.

Randy Sickler - June 17, 2020 at 04:29 PM

CP

“ Words feel inadequate to describe the great man that Dick was. Dick and Toni had a hand in helping to raise countless children beyond Lorrie and Di during the summer months while showing horses. Myself being one of those children. Our lives every weekend traveling around the state began as strangers and quickly evolved into a large horse show family. Thank you for being part of those cherished memories held dear by those of us who were lucky enough to have lived them.

Christina (Teter) Peavler - June 17, 2020 at 12:44 PM

CP

*With love from the Teter family.
Pat Teter (the late Jim Teter)
Steve Teter and family
Christina Peavler and family*

Christina (Teter) Peavler - June 17, 2020 at 12:49 PM

JP

“Darrell and I were blessed to share a DJ business with Dick and Toni for many years. We even were involved with a line dance club during that time. What fun we had. Dick work so hard to make sure everything was perfect. We enjoyed his Christmas decorations with the reindeer each year as well. Thank you for the wonderful memories. He will be greatly missed. We love you all.

Darrell and Jackie Pollard and Family

Jackie Pollard - June 17, 2020 at 10:22 AM

GW

“I always loved the way Dick honored the Veterans before the Draft Horse Shows when he was announcing at the Missouri State Fair. He picked my husband, Bobby Wright, to represent the Army one time. Our world has lost a great man!

Genny Wright - June 16, 2020 at 08:23 PM

RF

“if you had Dick for a friend you were in luck! He was always there in both good and tough times. When our daughter was born he sent two bud vases, her first flower and one for her mom. He served in the sheriffs office and underwater recovery dive team for many years, and he never failed to answer the call. He brought heart and compassion to everything he did, he truly had a servants heart. (He was also a great guy to share a lasagne and bottle of wine with). Our thoughts and prayers are with Toni and the girls!

Rick and Raylene Freeman - June 16, 2020 at 11:09 AM

ML

So sorry to hear about Dick. My thoughts are with you, Toni and the girls and family.

Mary and Leland - June 16, 2020 at 12:50 PM

VS

“ I remember Dick fondly from our days showing horses in the late 60's through mid 70's. He was well respected and liked by everyone. My dad thought he was the best and most fair judge in the ring, too. Thank you for sharing him with us.

Vicki Elsea Shannon

Vicki Elsea Shannon - June 16, 2020 at 09:17 AM



“ Our family showed horses in MSSCA for years and I remember Mr. Liedorff fondly. He and my father were good friends, and I still have a picture of him awarding us a family sportsmanship award one year. He was a good man who was a wonderful influence on many of us young kids. Condolences to the family. Robyn Elsea

Robyn Elsea - June 16, 2020 at 09:15 AM

MB

“ When I first met Dick in 1987, he immediately impressed me as a "people" person. He welcomed anyone into his world and became a good friend from that moment on. I do not believe I ever heard a cross word escape his lips; he had praise for all with whom he knew. Our family was blessed to have such a friend as Dick. As the old saying goes: "When God made Dick Liedorff, he broke the mold". A finer gentleman has yet to be born. I was one of the lucky few that got to travel with him to shooting events, gun shows, and ranges.

God Bless Dick Liedorff, his family and all who had the pleasure of his acquaintance.

Mike Brown - June 15, 2020 at 08:16 PM

DL

“ Even as Dick’s health declined, he cared for his friends and family. He would sacrifice time and energy for them when he was feeling terrible himself. That gave him joy.

Doug & Jeanne Lowe - June 15, 2020 at 07:30 PM

JG

“ I used to love going to Dick’s house and riding horses with his wife Toni and his daughters. Also we also had fun helping him announce at the balloon derby every year. He was a great man who will be greatly missed. Love and hugs to Toni and the family. Prayers going up for you all in this time of need.



Jessica Goosey-Delana - June 15, 2020 at 06:59 PM

JS

Dick and I served on the Senior Center Board together. Enjoyed his humor and kindness. Will be missed dearly. The board will be much different when we meet. God be with the family and comfort them.

Jerry "Stoney" Stone

jerry stone - June 15, 2020 at 09:26 PM

RM

Dick was a great man and a greater friend to both myself and my Dad. May they meet again in a Heavenly reunion and laugh together forever more.

Roger Maher - June 15, 2020 at 09:47 PM

RF

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Rick and Raylene Freeman - June 15, 2020 at 10:32 PM

PH

Dick, David Ingram and I used to go to the Tulsa Gun show twice a year. For some reason that escapes me right now, on one of our trips Dick flew down and David and I drove his truck down. We were to meet up at the show on Saturday. The show covers 11 acres and is filled with people so Dick said that he would call us on our cell phones and we could meet up. We were always trying to get the best of each other. David and I had call forwarding so we entered Dicks home phone in our cells. Every time Dick would try to contact one of us it would ring his phone at home. David and I laughed our selves silly. Dick finally spied us and said that he was just about to throw his phone in the trash.. He caught us before we could change our phones back. I'm not sure he ever got even for that one. We did so may things together and still had plans to do more. We had so much fun, life is going to be different without my friend Dick. My prayers go to his family.

Paul Hazelrigg

Paul Hazelrigg - June 16, 2020 at 04:05 PM

AL

Thank you for being one of his best friends ❤️

Allie - June 16, 2020 at 11:51 PM



Dick was a great friend, and mentor. Shooting, reloading, and general life skills. I can still hear him yelling "finger, finger, finger!"

Those who shot with him knows what that means.

Bill Langford - June 17, 2020 at 12:00 PM

MJ

Dick, myself and a few others went to Paul Hazelriggs farm one day to shoot trap. Had a fun time. Paul or Dick brought an electric clay thrower to the range it sure was handy! So Paul has the red flag "range hot" flag up on a pond bank and everyone is having fun...As we all know Dick, he was doing the range safety officer. Paul's range flag was fixed to pvc pipe. It finally had enough bird shot it fell over, I remember Dick saying "Well.....there goes the flag, we had a good laugh

mark jackson - June 17, 2020 at 06:09 PM

MJ

I forgot to mention Dick helped me get started on reloading. I now am able to reload many different calibers of ammo, Thank you Dick you will be missed my friend

mark jackson - June 17, 2020 at 06:14 PM