



William G. Richards

May 9, 1947 - March 22, 2022

William G. "Bill" Richards, age 74 of Lake Villa, IL, passed away peacefully on March 22nd. He was born on May 9, 1947 in Chicago to the late Edward and Virginia June Richards. Bill never allowed his wheelchair to dictate his zest for life. He loved being on the water whether it be swimming, sailing, scuba diving, kayaking, power boating or fishing. Bill was a long time member of the Hastings Lake YMCA and incredibly proud of going over the 800 mile swimming mark. He also loved bowling, target shooting, being a scout leader in the boy scouts, piloting the skies in his Cessna aircraft and being a member of the Lake County Historical Society. He was a very proud Grandpa and Dad. He loved a good conversation, always willing to share a chat with friends new or old.

Bill is survived by his wife of 53 years Carol Richards nee Done; son Kyle (Kerri) Richards; grandfather of Emilia and Elaina; siblings Jan(Dave) Adkins of Sun Prairie, Wi, Jim(Bette) Richards of Danville, Ca and the late Wayne(Katherine) Richards of Austin, TX. Brother in law of Bruce(Karen) Done of Green Cove Springs, FL and Barbara(Michael) Casey of Port Edwards, Wi. Cousin, Uncle, Great Uncle and friend to many.

Visitation will take place on Friday March 25, 2022 from 4:00 – 8:00 pm at Ringa Funeral Home 122 S. Milwaukee Ave. Lake Villa, IL. Additional visitation will begin on Saturday March 26, 2022 at 9:00 am until the time of service at 10:00 am at the funeral home. Burial will follow at All Saints Cemetery in Des Plaines, IL.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 25. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Ringa Funeral Home
122 S. Milwaukee Ave.
Lake Villa, IL 60046
info@ringafuneralhome.com
<http://www.ringafuneralhome.com>

Funeral Service

MAR 26. 10:00 AM (CT)

Ringa Funeral Home
122 S. Milwaukee Ave.
Lake Villa, IL 60046
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Burial

MAR 26. 11:30 AM (CT)

All Saints Cemetery
700 N. River Rd
Des Plaines, IL 60016

Tribute Wall



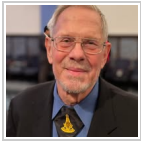
“ *William G. Richards*

October 04, 2023 at 02:13 PM



“ *William G. Richards*

December 31, 2022 at 11:36 AM



“ *Richard J Elia , Prospect High School , Mt Prospect , Il , 60056 .
Met shortly after Bill moved in the area from Texas . He enjoyed sail
boating , at that time .
My heartfelt condolences , Carol .*

Richard Elia - September 29, 2022 at 01:55 PM



“ *I have such wonderful memories of Bill spending our childhood
together with his family on Bluff Lake. I have even more great
memories of Bill and his own family in our later years.
Bill never let his disability hold him down. Be it inventing some
clever way to manipulate a way to do things from his wheel chair or
just doing what he put his mind to do—always with a smile and
positive attitude! I will never forget our kayak times together! He IS a
wonderful positive example for me to remember and share with
others.
My prayers for Carolyn, Kyle, and grandchild. He will be missed.
Fondly, Jan Steitz*

Jan Steitz - March 30, 2022 at 03:05 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of William G. Richards.



March 24, 2022 at 06:36 PM



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boardman - March 24, 2022 at 04:54 PM



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“ [Memorial Trees](https://www.ringafuneralhome.com/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was purchased for the family of William G. Richards.

March 24, 2022 at 04:11 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of William G. Richards.



March 24, 2022 at 03:39 PM

SH

“ Our deepest sympathy to Carol, Kyle and Kerri. Bill and Carol were always our first customers to pick their Christmas tree the day after Thanksgiving. During these yearly visits, a friendship formed that will not be forgotten. Rest in peace, Bill. You are forever in our hearts.

David and Sheri Hahn

Sheri Hahn - March 24, 2022 at 01:43 PM

LB

“ I didn't know Bill for very long, but it was a joy to know him, if even for a short time. He always had us laughing while we enjoyed his stories. He loved showing off his scooter, decorated for the different holidays, with everyone at the YMCA. I am very sad to learn of his passing and offer my most sincere condolences to his family and friends.

Linnea Ten Bruin

Linnea S Ten Bruin - March 24, 2022 at 01:32 PM

JD

“ My thoughts and prayers are with you Carol, Kyle & Kerri. He loved you, Emilia @ Elaina so much. He was our Chief party planner and ring leader at the YMCA and will be missed so much. Rest In Peace Bill. 🙏😊

Jan Dudley.

Jan Dudley - March 23, 2022 at 10:06 PM

SP

“ Sending our deepest sympathy to Carol, Kyle, Kerri and family during this difficult time. Rest In Peace, Bill...xo
Susan & Michael Pappas and family.

Susan Pappas - March 23, 2022 at 07:32 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of William G. Richards.



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Janice Davis - March 23, 2022 at 05:55 PM

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Janice Davis - March 23, 2022 at 05:51 PM

JF

“ Sorry for your loss loved his sense of humor. Prayers.

Joyce Frayer - March 23, 2022 at 03:02 PM