



Richard E. "Dick" Prechtel

March 17, 2013

Richard E. "Dick" Prechtel, 77, of Stoney Creek, NC, died Sunday, March 17, 2013 in Powell, OH at the home of his daughter and son-in-law, Mimi and Jerry Geswein. He also was surrounded by his wife, Nancy M. Prechtel; and daughter and son-in-law, Nancy and Todd Davis; as well as his five grandchildren. Dick was born on July 5, 1935 in Orrville, OH to the late Thomas A. and Edna Reamer Prechtel. He was preceded in death by his sister Myra Jo Prechtel Florio. He graduated from Orrville High School, then from Bowling Green State University with a Bachelor of Science degree. He was a ROTC member and was commissioned as a Second Lieutenant upon graduation. He served a 2 year assignment in Korea and was commissioned as a First Lieutenant upon completion of his service in Korea. He continued to serve in the US Army Reserves for 3 years. Upon discharge from the service, Dick began his career in Philadelphia, PA where he met the love of his life, Nancy McLaughlin. Dick and Nancy were married on September 9, 1961 in Philadelphia and recently celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in Hilton Head Island, SC. Dick was blessed with a career he loved, and was passionate about his work. He started his career in 1959 with Atlantic Richfield Company in Philadelphia as a marketing and management trainee. He later worked at Forest City Enterprises in Cleveland, OH. During his tenure as Vice President of Sales and Development, he was instrumental in the development of many beautiful residential communities in the greater Cleveland area. He and his family lived in Boardman, OH during the majority

of his working life before retiring to North Carolina in 2000. During his retirement, Dick loved playing golf 5 days out of 7, enjoyed maintaining his beautifully landscaped golf course home, and was blessed with many wonderful friends with whom he and Nancy socialized. Dick loved all things Irish, including Notre Dame football, making his death on St. Patrick's Day particularly poetic for all who knew him. He was the proud father of twin daughters, Nancy P. (Todd) Davis and Mimi (Jerry) Geswein. He is survived by five grandchildren, whom he adored: Jack Geswein, Meggie Davis, Layne Geswein, Kate Geswein, and Luke Davis. Visitation will be held 6-8 p.m. on Thursday, March 21, 2013 at the RUTHERFORD FUNERAL HOME AT POWELL, 450 West Olentangy St., (Powell Rd./St. Rt. 750/ 1/4 mile east of Sawmill Pkwy.), Powell, OH 43065. Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10 a.m. on Friday, March 22, 2013 at ST. BRIGID OF KILDARE CATHOLIC CHURCH, 7179 Avery Rd., Dublin, OH 43017 with interment to follow at Resurrection Cemetery in Lewis Center, OH. The Rev. Ty Tomson, Celebrant. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to HomeReach Hospice, 800 McConnell Drive, Columbus, OH 43214. Condolences to www.rutherfordfuneralhomes.com.

Tribute Wall



“ *Richard E. "Dick" Prechtel*

January 28, 2023 at 10:24 AM



“ *Our Deepest Sympathy in seeing the passing of your dear husband and father.. Know our thoughts and prayers are with all of you.*

Mike & Mary Ann Vernars - April 04, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ *Nancy and family; You are in our thoughts and prayers. He was a true gentleman and will be missed by all who knew him.*

Wayne and Annette Workman - March 22, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ *Death leaves a heartache no one can heal, love leaves a memory no one can steal ~ From a headstone in Ireland*

Linda Gates - March 22, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ *Mimi, so sorry for you loss....thinking and praying for you and your family. Christi Markos*

Christi Markos - March 22, 2013 at 12:00 AM

CK

“ Nancy and girls We were so saddened to hear about your loss. We remember a generous man with great wit. A jokester that rented us our first "home" together as a young married couple. He adored his girls-the three of you and his grandchildren. We'll never forget our trips and parties at Notre Dame. He's now smiling over all of you in heaven. Hugs to everyone that is missing him. Carol and Tom Kelley

Carol Kelley - March 21, 2013 at 12:00 AM

KJ

“ Bill and I want to express our deepest sympathy to your family in the loss of your husband and father with our love and prayers. Karen and Bill

Karen and Bill Jordan - March 21, 2013 at 12:00 AM

CS

“ Greatly enjoyed playing golf with Dick and will miss his wit and personality. My prayers are with the family.

Chuck Sampson - March 21, 2013 at 12:00 AM

EU

“ The Veterans of Foreign Wars, Department of North Carolina and VFW Post 2972, Gibsonville, NC of which Dick was a member of for several years extends its Condolences to the entire Prechtel Family and a final salute and thank you for his services to our country. Euell "Buzz" Griggs National Recruiter Gibsonville, NC

Euell - March 21, 2013 at 12:00 AM

MP

“ my deepest condolences to Dick's family. I had the pleasure of working with Dick, and was sad to see that he had passed. Though i will not be attending his service, wanted to extend my sympathies, and will always remember Dick, and our time in this world together.

Mike Petrarca - March 21, 2013 at 12:00 AM

LG

“ My heartfelt sympathy is with you and your family Mimi. Your memories of your Dad will bring you comfort and his legacy will continue through you, Nancy and all of his precious grandchildren!

Linda Gates - March 21, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DH

“ Dolly and I wish to express our deepest sympathies over Dick's passing. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all at this difficult time. May God bless you. Dan and Dolly Handel Pittsboro,NC

Dan And Dolly Handel - March 21, 2013 at 12:00 AM

BP

“ We send our prayers and condolences to the Prechtel family. We mourn your loss and it is with heavy hearts we remember Dick. He was a remarkable person who touched us all with his smile and unstoppable personality. He will be greatly missed.

Bob & Kay Petka - March 20, 2013 at 12:00 AM

GI

“ Thinking of you Nancy and sending many prayers. Love you, Gigi

Gigi - March 20, 2013 at 12:00 AM

BS

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this very sad time.*

Bill and Chris Strain - March 20, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ *Prayers sent to all.*

Jeff and Cheila Moore - March 20, 2013 at 12:00 AM

PR

“ *Mimi and Family, Thoughts and prayers are with all of you during this difficult time. May memories of happier times spent with your father/husband/loved one bring you comfort and joy, today, tomorrow and all the days to come. God Bless you all.*

Peggy Richardson - March 19, 2013 at 12:00 AM