



Richard Kenneth Mitchell

March 31, 1923 - March 10, 2009

Absent from the Body, present with the Lord"

Richard K. "Dick" Mitchell entered Heaven on Tuesday, March 10, 2009. He was born to Charles and Carolyn Mitchell March 31, 1923, in Rockland, ME. He was raised and educated there. He entered the Army soon after, which took him to several states for training and was assigned to the Army Engineers in Camp Knight Base in Oakland, CA. There he met Louella Bich, who worked at the base. They married later in Texas, where he stayed for more training to prepare himself for overseas duty. He was with the Pacific Theater in the Philippines at different locations before going to Hiroshima. Dick drove heavy equipment like bulldozers into the area to clean up the damage after the A-Bomb. He was discharged and back to California and decided to have his own Mobile Service Station, till moving to Wenatchee. He worked different jobs till he got into the bread business with Eddy Bakery, then Snyder Bakery, which he did for 30 years. He retired at 60 years old, worked for Bob Feil Boats & Motors for a few years, got the boat he wanted and did a lot of fishing. He had been an active member of the First Baptist Church since 1954, held many positions within the church, loved ushering and meeting and greeting everyone; visiting shut-ins was very special to him.

Richard is survived by his wife, Louella; daughters, Sharon (Dave) Phillips of Cashmere and Nancy (Don) White from Hansville, WA; grandchildren, Mike (Kay) Phillips, Peter (Gala) Phillips, Jenny (Gregg) Smith, all of Cashmere and Kimberlee (Donny) Ball from Edmonds, WA; and great-grandchildren, Corey

and Cameron Phillips, Eli, Noah, Sam and Nate Phillips, Reid, Sydney, Sadie and Molly Smith, all of Cashmere. He was preceded in death by his parents, Charles and Carolyn Mitchell; brothers, Charles Jr. and Cliff and their spouses, all of Camden and Rockport, ME.

A Celebration of Life Service will be held on Saturday, March 14, 2009 at 10:30 a.m. at Telford's Chapel of the Valley in East Wenatchee. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to First Baptist Church, Parkinson's Research or a charity of your choice.

Tribute Wall

CR

“ Dearest Aunt Lou & Cousins Sharon & Nancy, my deepest heartfelt wishes and prayers are with you. I wish I could have been with you to celebrate Uncle Dick's life but know that I was with you in spirit. I have so many fond memories. Uncle Dick was always smiling, joking & flirting! He always had a hug and kiss ready and big welcoming arms! He cared so much about and for everyone and was always ready with kind words of encouragement. I remember how much he adored you Aunt Lou and would sometimes follow you from room to room just to stay near you. For all his love, smiles, jokes, etc. he also had a little impatient part to him as well! Aunt Lou, I remember when you & Uncle Dick would stop by our home in Edmonds. Uncle Dick would decide it was time to go home so up he went, out to the car and proceeded to drive back and forth in front of the house waiting for you to come out. You would just roll your eyes and keep on talking!! We had many laughs over that! Thank you Uncle Dick for for all the memories and all the fun times we had. I love and miss you.

Cindy Gehlhausen Ruwe - March 15, 2009 at 04:52 AM

BC

“ Dear Lou and Family, You are in our prayers. We pray God will make all those great memories of Dick vivid. We have such fond memories of him. Every time we think of him, we smile. He was so full of love for everyone. May God fill your hearts with peaceful love.

Bob and Jeni Chandler - March 14, 2009 at 01:14 PM

JB

“ Our sympathies to Aunt Louella and cousins Sharon and Nancy and their families. Although we have always lived a long distance apart, the few times I have been with Uncle Dick I remember him as a smiley, friendly, outgoing guy.

Jerry and Linda Bich - March 14, 2009 at 01:07 PM

AC

“ I have only a few memories of Dick... However they are memories that have always stuck with me. I remember seeing the picture of Dick & my Grandpa in our pink hart shaped tub,(there was no water in it & they were clothed) He always had a smile on his face. I know my Grandpa is welcoming him in the Kingdom with a smile & open arms. I wounder if there is pink hart shaped tubs in Heaven. Dick Thank you for being a part of the Chandler families lives, we are better people because of you. Lou may the Lord comfort & bless (and family) in this time of grief. The memories we leave behind are living proof of our legacy, & devotion to His higher calling. Love always Addam

Addam Chandler - March 14, 2009 at 06:54 AM

DB

“ Aunt Louella, Cousin Sharon and Nancy: I just want all of you to know that my prayers are with you and your family during this Difficult time. Uncle Dick will be missed.
Don (DJ) Bich

Don Bich - March 14, 2009 at 06:42 AM

SM

“ Dear Uncle Dick: I will never forget your smile, your wink, your jokes, your hugs, your love. You will always be my favorite uncle forever. You represent the love that every woman looks for in a father, and a husband. Your love of God and your faithfulness to your core principals in life have been an example I will cherish. Lou is truly a blessed woman to have been your wife and partner all these years. I look forward to seeing and partying with you in Heaven some day. We will all be reunited again, I know. Glad you are finally at a place where there is no more pain and suffering. You have been an inspiration to everyone you touched in this life. So here is a Big Kiss and Big Hug from me, Sue, the one who will always love and cherish my memories of you. Love in Christ, Forever and Ever, Amen Sue Morris now Susanne Entner

Susanne Entner (Sue Morris) - March 13, 2009 at 06:39 AM