



Richard E. "Opa" Weddell

June 5, 1930 - April 28, 2015

WEDDELL, Richard E. "Opa" age 84 of Springfield, formerly of Mansfield, passed away peacefully on Tuesday, April 28, 2015 at Oakwood Village. He was born on June 5, 1930 to the late William Bryant and Loretta (Knoll) Weddell in Mansfield, Ohio. In addition to his parents, he is preceded in death by his sister, Dorothy Boylan. Richard leaves behind to cherish his memory, his beloved wife of 37 years, Ursula (Noppenberger) Weddell; children: Wendi Weddell, Sherri Weddell, Rick Weddell and Joe (Jenn) Stahl; known as "Opa" to his grandchildren: Amanda, Aaron, Brandon, Madeleine and Emily as well as several great-grandchildren. Richard was a member at Central Christian Church in Springfield and the Mansfield Evening Lions Club. He loved photography, gardening, watching the birds as well as building things with his hands including woodcarving. A gathering of friends and family will be held at Central Christian Church on Saturday, May 9, 2015 from 2:30-3:30 p.m. Per Richard's request there will be a musical tribute concert by Full Sound Chamber Group at 3:30 with an introduction celebrating Richard's life by Pastor Carl Ruby. Memorial contributions may be made to Honor Flight Inc., 525 Victory Rd., Springfield, Ohio 45504 in Richard's memory.

Tribute Wall

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“ Douglas Boylan purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of Richard E. "Opa" Weddell.



Douglas Boylan - May 07, 2015 at 03:10 PM

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“ I have two stories to share.
First, when I was little, Kindergarten, 1st, 2nd grade, i took dance lessons. when we had performances, Richard was the "MAN" behind the stage. I was so scared! Well, little did I know that our paths would again cross almost 40 years later. We met in 1995 when a group in Mansfield was planning a trip to Germany, Austria and Switzerland. Not only did I get to meet Ursula, but I also met my husband, Ralf, that I married 9 months later. He was our tour bus driver. We kept in contact with Richard and Ursula for the past 20 years which has brought us many wonderful memories. We even had dinner when Ralf's parents, Oma and Opa visited from Germany.
We feel blessed to have had Richard in our lives and our children's lives. I will always cherish these memories and anticipate more wonderful time as we gather with Ursula.

Much love,

Lora, Ralf, Brian and Megan

Lora Kennel - May 06, 2015 at 05:44 PM

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“ My family was so blessed to meet Richard and Ursula at Oakwood Village in October 2011...we were moving my parents into Oakwood the same weekend Richard and Ursula were moving in, and we became fast friends. Richard was sweet, funny and loving. Though a man of few words, he was proud of his family and proud to be an American veteran. I enjoyed many dinners and visits with Richard over the past three years, and I am so grateful that he was able to go on the April 2014 Honor Flight with my father--many tears were shed seeing those two proud veterans returning from their visit to Washington DC. It was an honor to know him, and my thoughts and prayers go out to his family.

Gina Langen

Gina Langen - May 06, 2015 at 09:01 AM



“ Richard was a great man and the best brother in law. RIP ~ you won't be forgotten.

Inge Peiker - May 06, 2015 at 08:33 AM