



Gervase "Dudes" Richter

December 7, 1924 - April 16, 2022

The Mass of Christian Burial for Gervase "Dudes" Richter of Wadena will be celebrated at 11:00 am. on Saturday, April 30, at St. Ann's Catholic Church in Wadena.

Visitation will be held on Friday at the Johnson-Schuller Chapel in Wadena from 4:00 until 7:00 p.m. A Rosary will be said at 5:00, with Prayers at 6:00 p.m. Visitation will resume at the church on Saturday from 9:30 a.m. until the time of the Mass.

Gervase "Dudes" Richter, age 97, of Wadena, MN, passed away April 16, 2022, at Mukilteo, WA.

Gervase "Dudes" Richter was born in Wadena, MN on December 7, 1924, the youngest of 4 sons born to Frank and Mary (Pitzel) Richter. He graduated from Wadena High School in 1942, and was married to Gladys Buckley on February 14, 1946, at St. Ann's Catholic Church in Wadena. Dudes began his career at the Wadena "Coast to Coast" (10 years). He then partnered with Jim Ehlen and opened "Ehlen-Richter Sales & Service," selling televisions, radios and electronics, and eventually expanded by adding sporting goods. Dudes retired from his store in 1976, but continued to work for 5 more years as a bus driver for the Wadena School District.

Dudes and Gladys raised three daughters in Wadena, Cindy, Mary Jo, and Kathy. Dudes was an avid hunter and enjoyed fishing, golfing, mushroom picking, and keeping his yard as perfect as possible. He often traveled to the Seattle area, California, Florida, and Arizona. Dudes was a charter member of the Wadena Elks Club (established February 10, 1963) as well as a lifetime member of the Knights of Columbus. He especially loved time spent with his family and friends.

Dudes will be forever missed by the family he leaves behind, daughters: Cindy (Randy) Hinman of Peyton, CO, Mary Jo (Kenneth) Lynch of Mukilteo, WA, and Kathy (Steven) Lynch of Stanwood, WA; grandchildren: Laurie (Michael Wood) Hinman, Christopher (Michelle) Hinman, Amanda (Kim "Lucky") Oliver, Aimee Lynch, Holly Lynch, Matthew Lynch, Megan Watson, Cody Lynch and Nicholas Lynch; great-grandchildren: Taylor and Alex Wood, Bothe Hinman, Keegan, Brock, Tina Jo, and Cale Oliver, Haelee and Mylah Watson, and Elias and Arlo Lynch; along with many nieces, nephews, and extended family.

Gervase was preceded in death by his wife of 68 years, Gladys; his parents; older brothers: Maurice (Sally), Fabian "Fab" (Bernice), and Gerard "Gardy" (Hildegard); granddaughter Laurie's husband, Michael Wood; and grandson, Christopher's wife, Ali.

Serving as pallbearers will be Dennis Richter, Steve Richter, Richard Richter, Kim Oliver, Mary Ann Schmidt and Diane Turner.

Burial will be in Calvary Cemetery, Wadena, MN.

Cemetery Details

Calvary Cemetery

Franklin Dr. & 6th St SW
Wadena, MN 56482

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 29. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Johnson-Schuller Chapel
205 4th Street Southwest
Wadena, MN 56482

Rosary

APR 29. 5:00 PM (CT)

Johnson-Schuller Chapel
205 4th Street Southwest
Wadena, MN 56482

Prayers

APR 29. 6:00 PM (CT)

Johnson-Schuller Chapel
205 4th Street Southwest
Wadena, MN 56482

Visitation

APR 30. 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Ann's Catholic Church
514 1st St. SE
Wadena, MN

Service

APR 30. 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Ann's Catholic Church
514 1st St. SE
Wadena, MN

Tribute Wall



“ *Schuller Family Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of Gervase "Dudes" Richter*



Schuller Family Funeral Homes - April 26, 2022 at 09:41 PM

BS

“ *Bruce & Trish Steinkopf lit a candle in memory of Gervase "Dudes" Richter*



Bruce & Trish Steinkopf - April 30, 2022 at 11:03 AM



“ As I sit here with Gervase’s 2 grandsons (Nicholas and Cody Lynch) and his two great-grandsons (Elias Gervase Lynch and Arlo Alonzo Lynch) we are reminiscing on the fond memories of grandpa Dudes and his thoughtfulness. I remember when we went back to Minnesota to visit Papa Dudes back in early 2019 when Elias was about to turn one and I was pregnant with Arlo. We went so my son Elias and I could finally meet the wonderful man he was named in honor of; Gervase. At that time Gervase was using a walker. And even then he made sure to send out for fresh baked donuts before any of us woke up. Cody and Nick are informing me that’s how he always was. Cody is more thankful than ever for all of the Christmas’s he spent at his mom and dad’s. He will cherish the home videos and countless memories playing with his grandfather. A man who made a huge and lasting impression on him. Nick will always be reminded of the good times he had and happy moments he shared with his grandfather. More specifically, he remembers papa Dudes taking him fishing on a pond that belonged to someone grandpa knew. He laughs saying “He even took the fish off the line that I didn’t want to touch. He was a good man.” As for me, I’m so thankful for the opportunity and time I did get to know him. I didn’t need to meet him in order to name my first born after him. A lot of people I love and respect adored him and that was good enough for me. I knew in my heart he was gold. And I knew it would be a huge honor to carry on his beautiful name. Rest In Peace Gervase. We love you and you’ll be forever in our hearts and on our minds. With love and sympathy, Jenny Armstrong, your grandsons Cody and Nick Lynch and great-grandsons Elias Gervase and Arlo Alonzo Lynch



Jenny Armstrong - April 29, 2022 at 03:56 PM

CA

“ *Cindy Anderson lit a candle in memory of Gervase "Dudes" Richter*



Cindy Anderson - April 29, 2022 at 09:41 AM

CA

“ *Cindy Anderson lit a candle in memory of Gervase "Dudes" Richter*



Cindy Anderson - April 27, 2022 at 10:28 PM

HW

“ *Sorry to hear of the passing of Dudes Richter. I worked for him at Ehlen & Richter Radio & TV in Wadena in the early to mid-sixties while attending WATI studying electronics. I later moved to Seattle and whenever I visited Wadena I always tried to visit him at his Wadena home. We shared stories and memories and it was a highlight of my Wadena visit. I will remember him always and my sincere condolences to his family.*
Harlan Michael Weniger



Harlan Weniger - April 27, 2022 at 06:32 PM

MM

“ *May Dudes rest in Peace.
Until you're together forever in Time
Thank God, for the memories
Your father left behind.*

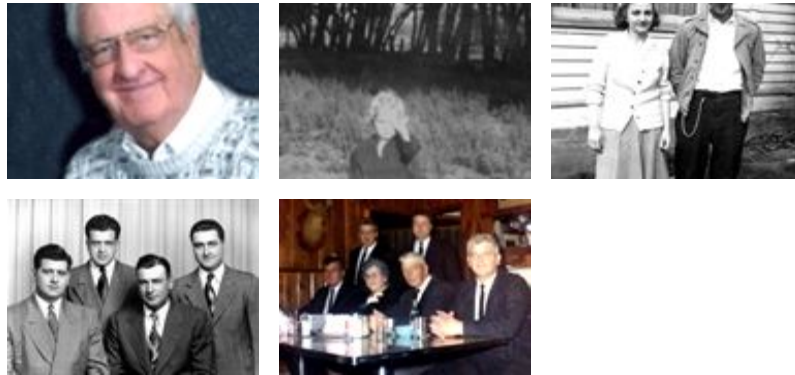


*Marge (Schwartz) Mohs-Harrison
My Dad, Casper Schwartz worked with Gladys at Todd-Wadena
Elec
I think my parents bought some TV"s from Dudes as well*

Marge Mohs-Harrison - April 27, 2022 at 07:22 AM



“ *46 files added to the album Life Tributes*



Schuller Family Funeral Homes - April 26, 2022 at 09:40 PM

JH

“ *Jay And Debra Hutson lit a candle in memory
of Gervase "Dudes" Richter*



Jay and Debra Hutson - April 26, 2022 at 09:34 PM

LY

“ Dudes and Gladys came into our family life when they sponsored the baptism of my brother, LeRoy in 1947. We moved from Wadena to ND in Nov. 1949 but my dad, Harold Schultz, stayed in contact with Dudes. I was thrilled to make contact two years ago and once again chat and write to him. Loved finding the 2013 article on his "mushroom" hunting as it reminded me of my mother's family search for them along with annual blueberry picking. Thankful for having Dudes in our lives!

Lois M Young - April 26, 2022 at 05:40 PM

LH

“ Laurie Hinman lit a candle in memory of Gervase "Dudes" Richter



Laurie Hinman - April 25, 2022 at 10:54 PM

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DA

“ *Di Schiller Anderson lit a candle in memory of Gervase "Dudes" Richter*



Di Schiller Anderson - April 25, 2022 at 08:13 PM

MP

“ *Morris & Karen Priebe lit a candle in memory of Gervase "Dudes" Richter*



Morris & Karen Priebe - April 25, 2022 at 09:26 AM

DR

“ *Dave Rousslang lit a candle in memory of Gervase "Dudes" Richter*



dave rousslang - April 24, 2022 at 05:18 PM

JU

“ *John Uselman lit a candle in memory of Gervase "Dudes" Richter*



John Uselman - April 24, 2022 at 04:30 PM

GH

“ Gene And Kathy Hinman lit a candle in memory of Gervase "Dudes" Richter



Gene and Kathy Hinman - April 24, 2022 at 02:24 PM

DT

“ Diane Teigland lit a candle in memory of Gervase "Dudes" Richter



Diane Teigland - April 24, 2022 at 05:04 AM

DO

“ Doug & Joan Ostlund lit a candle in memory of Gervase "Dudes" Richter



Doug & Joan Ostlund - April 23, 2022 at 09:51 PM



“ Dave Schumacher lit a candle in memory of Gervase "Dudes" Richter



Dave Schumacher - April 23, 2022 at 12:36 PM



“ Julie Hinman Lucken lit a candle in memory of Gervase "Dudes" Richter



Julie Hinman Lucken - April 22, 2022 at 11:31 PM



“ Shirley & Arnie Hartjen lit a candle in memory of Gervase "Dudes" Richter



Shirley & Arnie Hartjen - April 21, 2022 at 08:42 PM



“ Carol Osborn lit a candle in memory of Gervase "Dudes" Richter



Carol Osborn - April 21, 2022 at 07:44 PM



“ Marie Fraune sent a virtual gift in memory of Gervase "Dudes" Richter



marie fraune - April 21, 2022 at 05:47 PM

MF

“ Marie Fraune sent a virtual gift in memory of Gervase "Dudes" Richter



marie fraune - April 21, 2022 at 05:46 PM

PH

“ A wonderful man, a wonderful neighbor! He was a wealth of information about years gone by... we loved our visits with him! Keith & Pam Hagen

Pam Hagen - April 21, 2022 at 05:03 PM

JT

“ Jim TeVogt lit a candle in memory of Gervase "Dudes" Richter



Jim TeVogt - April 21, 2022 at 03:04 PM

MW

“ Myron And Karen Winkelman lit a candle in memory of Gervase "Dudes" Richter



Myron and Karen Winkelman - April 21, 2022 at 02:45 PM

GW

“ *Glen Donna Wood lit a candle in memory of Gervase "Dudes" Richter*



Glen Donna Wood - April 21, 2022 at 01:28 PM

JJ

“ *He was a man of grace and kindness.*



Jon and Patty Johnson - April 21, 2022 at 01:28 PM

LK

“ *Lee & Patty Kicker lit a candle in memory of Gervase "Dudes" Richter*



Lee & Patty Kicker - April 21, 2022 at 01:27 PM

TT

“ *Thank you Dudes for the wonderful memories and being my father's best friend. You are in heaven together laughing it up. God's peace to your family. Todd Tougas*

Todd Tougas - April 21, 2022 at 01:22 PM

MF

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marie fraune - April 21, 2022 at 12:30 PM

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JR

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 Ben Tellers

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Ben Tellers - April 21, 2022 at 08:44 AM

RA

“ Rita Anderson lit a candle in memory of Gervase "Dudes" Richter



Rita Anderson - April 21, 2022 at 08:35 AM

KF

“ Kelly(Anderson)Bain And Family lit a candle in memory of Gervase "Dudes" Richter



Kelly(Anderson)Bain and family - April 21, 2022 at 07:32 AM

DK

“ Dan Kern lit a candle in memory of Gervase "Dudes" Richter



Dan Kern - April 21, 2022 at 06:50 AM

BB

“ Prayers to the family!!



Bruce and Barb Brown - April 20, 2022 at 10:57 PM