



Richard Charles McCrae

August 31, 1944 - January 12, 2017

With heavy hearts, the McCrae Family must now go on without their beloved husband, father, and grandfather, Richard (Dick) Charles McCrae. Dick passed away in his home, as he hoped to, on January 12th, surrounded by his wife, Jan McCrae and his sister-in-law, Laura Cole.

Dick's was preceded in death by his parents Al & Betty McCrae, and his sister Susan (McCrae) Boyd.

He is survived by his wife Jan (Evans-Nisley) McCrae; son Mike McCrae (and wife, Laura) of Arlington, WA; daughter Kris (McCrae) Ridley (and husband, Scott) of Lubbock, TX; and step-son Daniel Nisley of Cordova, TN. As well as other family members.

A graduate from Ingram High School in 1962, Dick went to Everett Community College. He switched his career path and became a mechanical maintenance apprentice. Four years later, Dick worked at Northwest Steel Rolling Mills in Washington in June 1964. Then in January 1986, the plant changed hands and became known as Birmingham Steel. In 2001, Dick retired from Birmingham Steel as a mechanical maintenance supervisor. During these years, his favorite activities outside of work were fishing and golfing with good friends.

Shortly after retiring, Dick moved to Ketchum, Idaho. After some time as a retired man, he went to work for KLM. Later, he decided to go to work for Wood River Lock until he really retired in August 2007.

While living in Ketchum, Idaho, Dick married Jan (Evans) Nisley in December 2001. There Dick and Jan adopted a rescue dog they named Chippers. In August of 2007, the three of them traveled the countryside in an RV. After 5 years of this, they decided to settle in the Memphis, TN area to be close to her grandsons, Dillon and Colin Nisley; and step-grandson Jacob Oliphant, who is also in the Memphis, TN area.

The family will be hosting a celebration of Dick's life. You will be notified of details at a later time.

Previous Events

Arrangements Completed

JAN 15 (CT)

Smart Cremation Memphis

1000 S Yates Rd.

Memphis, TN 38119

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<https://www.smartcremationmemphis.com>

Tribute Wall

VE

“ Dick came fishing with his father in Alaska with us. Many years he was part of the last group of fishermen I would take and he would help me "pack up"; close out the year. One year it was 8 degrees when we were fishing - Dick took a fish to the fish box but forgot how cold and wet the middle of the boat was (instantly turning into an ice skating slide!). He slid all the way to the motor where it prevented him from swimming! Fabulous memories of the crew and Dick. May you find comfort in knowing how many people's lives he touched and what a positive impact he had.

*kindest regards,
 Gary & Val Early*

Val Early - February 08, 2017 at 01:22 PM

DC

“ Dick and I both thought one of our favorite memories is how the four of us got a real chance to spend some time together on our trip to Ketchum, esp. when Dick and you opened your home to us. And the Wagon Days parade we all went to was AWESOME! The Big Hitch was something, wasn't it?! Remember the restaurant you two took us to? YUMMY place!!!!

We are so glad we got to know Dick; and so sad that he is gone.

*HUGS,
 Dick and Laura Cole*

Dick and Laura Cole - January 17, 2017 at 12:32 PM

CY

“ I remember working at Salmon Bay Steel with Dick in Kent. One night when Jan and I were working back to back shifts we had decided to pull a prank on Dick, we had gone out and gotten I don't know maybe 30 bottles of old nasty perfumes and after Dick had gone home for the night she and I went into his office and completely emptied ALL the bottles of perfume not only in his office but all over his greens and she and I could hardly breath from the smell. When Dick got into work the next morning he couldn't even work in his own office and went straight over to Jan and told her his entire office smelled like a french whore house and swore he would get even. She and I both laughed and laughed because he had no proof we were the ones who had done it. To this day I am not so sure even if Jan ever told him we were guilty (we knew in our hearts he knew, but there was no way we were fessing up). We will miss you Dick. You will forever be in our hearts <3 Love you Cyndi



Cyndi - January 17, 2017 at 11:15 AM

LL

“ LEANN AND DOUG LARSEN sent a virtual gift in memory of Richard Charles McCrae



LEANN AND DOUG LARSEN - January 16, 2017 at 08:41 PM

LL

“MANY THOUGHTS GO THROUGH OUR HEADS AT A TIME LIKE THIS. I'VE BEEN A FRIEND OF JAN'S FAMILY FOR OVER 40 YEARS BUT HAD ONLY MET DICK ONCE. I MET HIM AT ANOTHER FAMILY FUNERAL. JAN'S AUNT IN DAVENPORT, IOWA. HE WAS A QUIET, DOTING MAN. HE WAS A LOVING HUSBAND AND LOYAL TO HIS FAMILY. HE LOVED HIS FAMILY AND KEPT A SPECIAL PLACE FOR HIS MOTHER-IN-LAW WHEN SHE VISITED. THAT EVENTUALLY BECAME HIS ROOM. FROM THE LITTLE I KNEW OF HIM I ADMIRED HIM FOR HIS LOVE TOWARDS JAN AND HER FAMILY. HE HAD A SPECIAL CONNECTION WITH "MOM", JAN'S MOTHER AND SHE LOVED HIM ALSO!! LORD, BLESS THIS FAMILY IN THEIR TIME OF SORROW AND HAPPINESS THAT KNOWING YOU THEY ALSO KNOW THAT THEY WILL SEE DICK ONCE AGAIN IN THAT BEAUTIFUL PLACE YOU HAVE MADE FOR US!. JAAN WE LOVE YOU, EVEN THOUGH THE MILES ARE FAR BETWEEN, MAY THE LORD LOOK OVER YOU ALWAYS!!
LEANN AND DOUG LARSEN



LEANN AND DOUG LARSEN - January 16, 2017 at 08:38 PM

DH

“We remember the leg of lamb BBQ's, Scottish dances and our trip to the ocean. They were all fun times and great memories. You will be missed Don and Sandra

Don and Sandra Henry - January 16, 2017 at 02:47 PM

CT

“ I remember all the times when Shirley and I came to Memphis to see Dann, Yvonne, and the grandsons. It was usually for some special occasion like a grandson's birthday, or Thanksgiving, or Christmas. We would all get together and go out somewhere to eat. I know Dick always enjoyed those times. I also remember what a fantastic jack-of-all-trades he was. It seemed like there was nothing he wasn't good at with his hands, and he really enjoyed doing it. Shirley and I are very thankful for the years we knew Dick, and for the times we spent together. We will really miss him. May God bless and grant peace and grace to Jan and all of Dick's family at this time.

Clentis & Shirley Turnbow - January 16, 2017 at 11:20 AM

PE

“ We'll remember the way Dick's face would light up when he'd hit a good hand on the nickel video poker machines in Laughlin -- no big payouts, but lots of fun! We had a lot of laughs together, and that's how we'll remember him.

*Pam & Rheiny Engman
Kingman, Arizona*

Pam & Rheiny Engman - January 15, 2017 at 05:18 PM

LB

*I met Dick at Everett JC in 1962, right after graduation. He was a great guy and lots of fun. He ended up marrying one of my girlfriends, Sharon. Always loved his smile and laugh. I am sure he will be greatly missed.
Liana Otis Barton and Craig.*

Liana & Craig Barton - January 16, 2017 at 01:34 PM



So sorry for your loss. I really didn't know Dick very well, but enjoyed working with the both of you. I'm sure he'll be missed.
Tyra Bliss, TLC Tax Service

Tyra Deblock-Bliss - January 16, 2017 at 11:29 PM