



## Richard K. "Dick" Williams

May 4, 1926 - December 30, 2020

Richard K. "Dick" Williams, 94, of Cadillac, passed into the arms of Jesus at Munson Healthcare Cadillac Hospital, Wednesday, December 30, 2020.

Dick was born in Belding, Michigan on May 4, 1926 and as a youngster, he grew up in the Leroy, Rose Lake area on his family's farm. He attended school in Leroy and graduated with the Class of 1944 after which he enlisted into the Air Force and served in the Philippines during WWII. Dick met and married the love of his life, Elizabeth (Betty) Conant on July 2, 1949 and she preceded him in death on November 30, 1996.

Dick wore many hats in his lifetime and mentored many. In his early years after marriage he worked for Kraft as a butter maker, and then moved on to work for Kysor Heater Company as a draftsman. Dick retired after 32 years with Kysor- Cadillac division as an engineer and was also recognized in the Kysor Hall of Fame.

He loved to hunt, fish and play golf, but most of all, he loved serving the Lord. He passed his passion for hunting and fishing down to his sons and there was hardly a year that went by he didn't bring home a buck on opening day.

Dick was a long-time member of The First Covenant Church, now known as

Cadillac Community Church for which he served in many capacities: chairman, vice chairman, Sunday school superintendent and Sunday school teacher, and he loved singing in the choir. His passion was to serve the Lord and the best way to describe him is by the example he set and by the life he lived- it was evident for all to see. He was a loving, devoted husband, father, grandfather, great-grandfather, brother, uncle, friend and neighbor. He was gentle, strong, kind and faithful to the Lord- his life was all about giving. He was active in the Boy Scouts when his children were younger and served as Scout Master for many years.

He will be missed by his children: Mike (Paula) Williams, Marsha (Bill) Somers, David (Georgine) Williams and Jeff Williams. He leaves behind eight grandchildren: Lacey (Chris) Kramer, Kyle (Katie) Williams, Rebecca (Jason) Mowbray, Steven (Suzanne) Somers, Denise (James) Lansdale, Amy (Taylor) Kochosky, Jordan (Cory) Carter and Vincent (Amanda) Williams. Also left to carry on his legacy are 11 great-grandchildren: Hudson, Colin, Emma, Alba, Molly, Max, Natalie, Jack, Allison, Sophia and Lennox. He is also survived by his niece, Sharon (Williams) Morrow and a nephew, Ron Williams.

Along with his wife he was preceded in death by his parents, Reber and Effie (Witbeck) Williams; a brother, Waldo Williams; a sister, Vivian Klock; a niece, Joyce Bonfoey and a grandson, Matthew Somers.

Cremation has taken place and a graveside service will be held in the spring at Maple Hill Cemetery in Cadillac. Memorial contributions may be made to the Cadillac Community Church.

An online guestbook is available at [www.petersonfh.com](http://www.petersonfh.com).

# Tribute Wall

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“ *A man of great integrity, I'm honored to have made Dick's acquaintance watching Cadillac cross country meets. I regret not having spent more time with this outstanding man. RIP*

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**Dianne Berry** - January 11, 2021 at 07:16 AM

MS

“ *Mr. Williams was a great man and mentor. Many great memories are remembered by the Sigler family.*

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**Mark Sigler** - January 03, 2021 at 01:28 PM

HM

“ *As a cub scout at Cass School, I will remember Mr. Williams as a Scout Master and in recent years a good and friendly neighbor. Our conversations will be missed.*

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**Harry Milton** - January 02, 2021 at 07:09 PM

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“ *A great mentor, and a man everyone wanted to be like. You will be missed by the Sigler family.*

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**Mark Sigler Jan 2** - January 02, 2021 at 02:18 PM

PJ

“ *Marsha,  
Your Dad left a Great Legacy of church, volunteerism and work! I'm proud of the fact that he was a part of the Kysor Cadillac Family.*

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**Paul and Julie Janik** - January 02, 2021 at 09:20 AM

BW

“ *Such a Blessed Life...Prayers*

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**Brian Witbeck** - January 02, 2021 at 08:54 AM