



Richard Ira Stropes

February 26, 1945 - April 21, 2025

Richard Ira Stropes, 80, passed away on Monday, April 21st, 2025, at his family home he shared with his brother Michael and sister Pam in Mt Pleasant.

Richard was born in Racine on February 26th, 1945, the son of the late Ira Jr. and Beverly (nee: Nelson) Stropes. He retired from the Racine based Massey Ferguson. Richard is a graduate of Horlick High School and was baptized at St. John's Lutheran Church.

Richard will be deeply missed by his brother, Michael Stropes; sisters, Bonnie Nelson and Pam Rector; nieces, Tammy, Sheryl and Jamie; nephews, Wayne, Troy and Heath; great-nieces, Kara, McKenna, Amy, and Nevaeh; great-nephews, RJ, Dylan, Dominic, Wyatt and Myles; and great-grandnephew, Xavier.

He goes on to be reunited with his parents, Ira and Beverly Stropes; sister, Joann Radwill; and nephews, Tommy Radwill and Craig Rector.

Richard had a passion for gardening and loved to ride his bicycle all over town. He loved his home on Tichigan Lake in Waterford, WI and welcomed his family to come out to his house and enjoy the lake. Richard loved to fish and have family fish fries. He loved his Waterford family and cherished their friendship.

Richard had a special relationship with his nieces and nephews who knew him as "Uncle Ricky".

A special thank you to the following for their dedicated assistance in helping Richard live comfortably and happily in his final days: Michael Stropes, Pam Rector, Sheryl Stropes, Jamie Stropes, and the nurses at Aurora Hospital and Hospice.

If there was one thing Richard would want to say to everyone, it would be:
“Grow a garden and ride a bike!”

Tribute Wall

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“ *I have fond memories of my classmate at Lincoln Elementary School and Horlick High School. Ricky was always fun to be around. His sense of humor made him a lot of fun to be around. May he rest in peace.*

David Lauer - May 11, 2025 at 09:16 AM