



Richard William Hantz

March 5, 1931 - October 24, 2020

Richard William Hantz, 89, of Cloquet, passed away on Saturday, October 24, 2020 at the Solvay Hospice House. He was born March 5, 1931 to Samuel and Mary Hantz. He grew up in Gnesen, MN and graduated from Duluth Central High School.

On December 2, 1950 he married the love of his life, Gloria Marie Vnuk. They were married for 65 years before her passing. He loved her until his death. He also had endless love and devotion to his family and friends.

Richard was very proud of his skills and accomplishments. He built numerous houses, a cabin, beautiful furniture, and about anything you can make out of wood. He was extremely handy and could fix anything using his millright skills. His sausage making skills were exceptional. Richard loved hunting and getting out fished by Gloria. Spending time at the lake cabin with family and friends was most gratifying for Richard.

He was a member of Queen of Peace Catholic Church, Moose Club, Eagles Club, and Potlatch Quarter Century Club. He worked for Potlatch for over 40 years.

Richard was preceded in death by his wife, Gloria, his parents, his sisters, Victoria, Virginia, Lucille, Patricia; and brother, Thomas.

He is survived by his children, Gregory (Dawn) of Minnesota, Scott (Joan) of Montana, Mike of Washington, and Kim (Tom) Zuk of North Dakota; his sister, Gloria McGonigle of Florida; his grandchildren, Valeria (Joe) Fischer, Carlin and Sam Hantz, Amanda (Ben) Deering, Josh and Cassie Troge; step grandchildren, Aleesha and Anthony Desjarlait; eight great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

The family would like to give special thanks to sister in-law Jeanne Toboleski, Bill Stoberg, and Deloris and Bernie Karolak for their friendship, assistance and being fun card players. We would like to also thank Essentia Health hospice nurses for the caring job they do.

Visitation: 10 until the 11:00 a.m. memorial service Friday, October 30, 2020 in the Atkins Northland Funeral Home, 801 14th St., Cloquet. Inurnment will be in New Calvary Cemetery. A time of lunch and fellowship will follow at the Cloquet VFW. Masks and social distancing are required. From the funeral home parking lot, the funeral service can be heard on FM 98.3. To sign the guest book and offer an online tribute, see www.atkinsnorthlandfuneralhome.co

Cemetery

New Calvary Cemetery

695 County Road 115

Cloquet, MN, 55720

Events

OCT **Visitation** 10:00AM - 11:00AM

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Atkins Northland Funeral Home

801 14th St., Cloquet, MN, US, 55720

OCT **Service** 11:00AM

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Comments



“ Dick and gloria were such wonderful people...they were my grandparents very good friends and I am glad to say I felt they were part of our family and we had them at most of our family parties...lots of laughs and lots of hugs...they are missed

Deb gleason volkert - November 02, 2020 at 06:27 PM



“ Sorry for you loss if need of fund arise contact us,

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Edward Franklin - October 31, 2020 at 08:47 PM



“ So sorry I was not at my dear Uncle Dick's funeral today. I've always made the trip from Marquette for all my aunt's and uncle's funerals. With much regret I did not make the trip for Uncle do to current pandemic going on and with my mother also being so sick , and Suzette and I are out at the house every night helping my sisters take care of mom . To Greg ,Scott, Mike, and Kim. We are all so sorry for your loss of your dad(our uncle). He was such a terrific person, and I personally have nothing but wonderful wonderful memories of Uncle Dick. Our prayers, and love to all of you.
Your cousin Ken Hantz

Ken Hantx - October 30, 2020 at 05:43 PM



“ I am very sad to hear of your dad, grandpa's passing. I enjoyed his sweet, kind, & fun, personality. God keeps that in his memory for the resurrection that Jesus promises to us in the future. Uncle Dick will we missed by many, even though miles keep some of away for parts of our lives, & enjoyed their company, when together. Love to you all, cousin, Gerry Barber

Gerry Barber- niece - October 31, 2020 at 02:46 PM



“ Dick and I worked together for several years at potlatch. I would call him uncle dick he would call me nephew Jeff. Dick was a well respected craftsman and carpenter, whenever there was a wood working project , they would call Dick hantz, I am glad I was able to spend time with him at suncrest during his short stay there,we were going to go to the annual union party in October it was planned for me to pick him up, but ended up being canceled this year. My sister TAMMY and I listened to the funeral from the parking lot, I could tell he was much loved by his family Dick will be sadly missed.

Jeff bergeron - October 30, 2020 at 03:06 PM



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Atkins-Northland Funeral Home and Cremation Service - October 30, 2020 at 01:42 PM



“ Kim, I'm so very sorry to hear of your Dads passing. Sending love and hugs to you. Hoping all your wonderful memories will help you through the difficult days. Deepest sympathies to you and your family. Peace and Prayers, Shelley



Shelley Lindquist - October 29, 2020 at 10:49 PM



“ I was so sorry to hear about Uncle Dick. I will cherish our nice visits with him at Suncrest while he was there. He loved to pop in and say hi to my mom and stay for a short while to catch up with everyone. He was a great man and will truly be missed. My heart goes out to the entire family. I will not be attending his service from inside but I will be there in my car listening to the memorial service on the radio. Thoughts and prayers to you all.

Tammy Langley - October 29, 2020 at 01:56 PM



“ I'm sorry for your loss. I remember working with Dick, he was quick to smile or tell a joke. A true pleasure to have known him.

Jeff Senarighi - October 29, 2020 at 08:09 AM



“ I'm so sorry for your loss I remember the last time I saw Dick it was at the moose club it was so good to see him were telling jokes and remanicing about people we knew we was indeed a fine man I will miss you God father

John Vnuk - October 28, 2020 at 06:59 PM



“ My heart goes out to all of you losing your parent is never easy may all the great memories and good times shared help during this difficult time. I have so many wonderful memories of the great times at Little Grand Lake and the fishing trips as kids. I couldn't have asked for a better uncle may he rest in peace and soar with the angels.

GALE CLARK - October 28, 2020 at 06:16 PM



“ I will really miss Uncle Dick. I still remember shooting my first deer and he came out of the woods next to it. He told me to tell my dad that I shot a fox knowing full well that the old man would come unglued. He was a prankster and I shared many laughs with him over the years.
I'm sorry for the families loss.
Randy Giblin

Randy Giblin - October 28, 2020 at 04:20 PM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Richard William Hantz.



October 28, 2020 at 11:22 AM



“ so sorry to hear of dicks passing, he was a great person and i will surely miss him

roland olson - October 28, 2020 at 10:43 AM



“ Sadness has filled my heart. I am forever grateful to have spent several deer seasons enjoying the camaraderie of relatives at the shack in Moose Lake. Dick was our leader and mentor. His gentle nature, infectious smile, wit, humor, and love for the great outdoors made it an absolute pleasure to be part of his group. He was a master cribbage player and enjoyed the competitiveness of the game. Dick and Gloria's venison sausage and other delights from the smoker were heavenly treats I always looked forward to sampling each year. He could create works of art from his lathe. His maple and walnut candy dishes were extraordinary. I am truly blessed to have known this man and will cherish the memories forever.

Jim Bergeron

James Bergeron - October 26, 2020 at 02:37 PM



“ Dear Kim, Greg, Scott, and Mike, I am so sorry for the loss of your Dad. Please try to find comfort that he is back taking care of your Mom. Love, Danielle

Danielle Bergeron - October 26, 2020 at 01:58 PM



“ So sorry to hear about Uncle Dick's passing. He was a hard working talented man and will be remembered for generations to come for his beautiful wood work and his fun loving spirit. We will miss him and pray you will find comfort knowing he is reunited with Gloria.

Love Jana and Scott

Jana Morrison - October 26, 2020 at 01:10 PM