



Richard Charles Schnapp

August 4, 1934 - October 16, 2017

Richard Charles Schnapp, retired Toledo firefighter and concrete contractor, died Oct. 16, 2017, at Arden Courts in Westlake, Ohio. He was 83.

A lifelong Toledoan, Dick was born Aug. 4, 1934 where he was raised by his parents Eunice and Peter Schnapp. He was a proud 1953 graduate of Libbey High School, and it was there that he met Maradell Karchner. The high school sweethearts were married on May 26, 1956. Fifty years later, they would celebrate their milestone anniversary with a party at the Maumee Theatre.

The newlyweds settled in the south end, but the Army had other plans. Dick was drafted, serving as a sergeant in West Germany from 1957-59.

In 1961, Dick joined the Toledo Fire Department and worked at several stations including 1, 5, 9 and 21, mostly as a pumper driver. On the morning of Sept. 9, 1980, he got a call he would never forget: The steeple of the Historic Church of St. Patrick downtown was ablaze after a lightning strike. The steeple was destroyed, but the firefighters saved the church. Dick retired from the department in 1987.

When he wasn't fighting fires, Dick ran RC Schnapp Concrete Construction, where his perfectionist and hardworking nature served him well. He poured driveways, sidewalks and footers for basements all around Toledo and Maumee.

Dick had a passion for golf. He played regularly with a group of friends who dubbed themselves "the Dirty Dozen." He racked up three holes-in-one, two of them at South Toledo Golf Club, where he was a longtime member.

All those years in firehouses cultivated a love of cooking, and Dick's skills in the kitchen made family meals special. His chili was legendary.

Dick belonged to the Plasterers' and Cement Masons' Local 886, the International Association of Fire Fighters Local 92, and the Maumee-BG Elks Lodge 1850.

He was preceded in death by his wife Maradell in 2007. Survivors include daughters Terri (Ken) Johnson of Shaker Heights, Ohio; Tracy Schnapp of Toledo; and Tamara (Joe) Zawodny of Fairview Park, Ohio; grandsons Brian Johnson, Jacob Zawodny, Mitchell Zawodny and Maxwell Zawodny; and a brother, Gary (Vickie).

Friends may visit at the Coyle Funeral Home, 1770 S. Reynolds Rd., on Thursday October 19, 2017 from 2-8pm. where a Last Alarm Service will be held at 7 pm. Funeral services

will be held on Friday October 20th. beginning at 11am in the funeral home. Interment will follow in Ft. Meigs Cemetery, Perrysburg. Memorials may take the form of contributions to the Alzheimer's Association. Please view and sign the guest registry at coylefuneralhome.com.

Events

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Visitation

02:00PM - 08:00PM

Coyle Funeral Home

1770 S. Reynolds Road, Toledo, OH, US, 43614

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Funeral

11:00AM

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Comments



“ Tracy I'm so sorry to hear about your Dad. I remember meeting him and your mom. They were always very nice to me. I know he will be dearly missed.
Mike Rogers

Mike Rogers - October 19, 2017 at 02:32 PM



“ Mike - Thanks for your condolences. It was very nice of you to leave this note... Tracy
Tracy Schnapp - October 27, 2017 at 03:32 PM



“ From: Samantha and Scott purchased the Sympathy Chocolates for the family of Richard Charles Schnapp.



From: Samantha and Scott - October 18, 2017 at 10:02 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Richard Charles Schnapp.



October 18, 2017 at 06:35 PM



“ Thinking of the Schnapp family and sending lots of love. The few times we met Dick he was such a delight; a person so easy to talk to, funny, and so chipper. Bless you all.
Kathy and Don

Katheryn Geddie - October 18, 2017 at 01:21 PM



“ Margaret, Kathy, and Families purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Richard Charles Schnapp.



Margaret, Kathy, and Families - October 18, 2017 at 01:17 PM



“ Beautiful Whisper was purchased for the family of Richard Charles Schnapp.



October 18, 2017 at 12:53 PM



“ Your daughter introduced me to you once at the Airport, Richard, and what a bright smile and quick wit you had. Through Tracy I got to know you so very well. You and Maradell now are happily spending eternity together.....peace and hugs to you. Cathy Staley

Cathy Staley - October 17, 2017 at 06:40 PM



“ From Consumer Insights Team purchased the Touching Tribute Spray for the family of Richard Charles Schnapp.



From Consumer Insights Team - October 17, 2017 at 04:27 PM