



Richard Kaser

September 25, 1932 - January 11, 2024

Richard O. Kaser passed away peacefully on January 11, 2024.

Born September 25, 1932 to Guy and Sophie (Pinter) Kaser in Euclid, Ohio, Rick was the second of 10 children raised in Cuyahoga Falls. He graduated from Cuyahoga Falls High School and the University of Toledo, where he met his wife Pat, whom he married on January 22, 1955 at St. Stephens Catholic Church in Toledo. Rick and Pat were happily married for 68 years.

Rick was an accomplished athlete. He attended the University of Toledo on a football scholarship, where he played baseball for a year and football for all four years. In 1951 he became the first University of Toledo football player to be named to the 1st team of the Mid-American Conference and was also inducted into the Cuyahoga Falls football Hall of Fame. In 1954 Rick was drafted by the Detroit Lions, and after his military career he played professional football in the Canadian Football League for the Vancouver Lions for three seasons and for one season with the Ottawa Roughriders.

Rick's military service included being commissioned a 2nd lieutenant in the Army in 1955, graduation from Infantry School at Fort Benning in 1956 and being stationed at Ft. Lewis, Washington. In 1957 he was promoted to 1st Lieutenant, and he left active duty later that year.

In 1961 he became employed by Sun Oil Company Marketing in Philadelphia, where his first assignment was as a sales representative in Toledo. After additional marketing assignments in Chicago, Portland (Maine), Cleveland and Detroit, he became a Sales Manager in Toledo, then Detroit. In 1985 he was named Division Manager, a position he held until his retirement in 1991, after 29 years with Sun Oil.

After retirement he and Pat spent 15 winters in the Fort Myers, Florida area, enjoyed their children and grandchildren, and traveled throughout Europe, the Caribbean, Asia, Hawaii and the Philippines. Along with Pat, he enjoyed playing golf, and was a member of Heritage Palms Country Club, Brandywine Country Club and was a founding member and served on the Board of Stone Oak Country Club.

Family was the most important part of Rick's life, and he was a devoted husband to Pat and father to his four children, Sherri (Tim) Smith, David (Maggie), Jim (Kelly) and Rick (Missy) Kaser. Rick coached his children in sports, including baseball and football, and never missed a sporting event, play or dance recital. He was also a doting grandfather to his eleven grandchildren (Brittany, Nicholas and Alexandra Smith, and Katherine, Caitlin, Drew, Lauren, Maddie, Cameron, Rick and Annie Kaser) and his four great-grandchildren (Isla and Dakota Andrzejewski, Coco Galles and Logan Barunas).

Rick is survived by brothers Tom (Sue), sister-in-law Doris, John (Ann) and Jim (Terri), sisters Joanne Sigel, Cathy (Jerry) Crigger and Karen (William) Tubbs and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents and brothers Bob, Ed and Frank.

He was well-loved and will be sorely missed.

A visitation will be held at Coyle Funeral Home on Thursday, January 18th from 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm, with a Rosary at 7:00. A visitation will also be held at St. Joan of Arc Church, 5856 Heatherdowns Blvd. on Friday, January 19th from 10:00 am to 11:00 am, with the Funeral Mass at 11:00 am. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to St. Francis High School or St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church. Please view Rick's video tribute and leave a condolence message at CoyleFuneralHome.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 18. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Coyle Funeral Home
1770 S. Reynolds Road
Toledo, OH 43614

Vigil

JAN 18. 7:00 PM (ET)

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1770 S. Reynolds Road
Toledo, OH 43614

Visitation

JAN 19. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Joan Of Arc
5856 Heatherdowns Blvd
Toledo, OH

Funeral Mass

JAN 19. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Joan Of Arc
5856 Heatherdowns Blvd
Toledo, OH

Tribute Wall

BF

“ *Pat and Family. We were so sorry to hear of Rick's passing. We had many good times with you and Rick during our time in Ohio. May he rest in eternal peace and may God comfort you in this difficult time.*
Bill & DiAnn Ford

Bill And DiAnn Ford - January 17, 2024 at 08:48 AM

CV

“ *2 files added to the album VIDEO TRIBUTE*



COYLE FUNERAL HOME VIDEOS - January 17, 2024 at 01:42 AM

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“ *Dave and family. I'm so sorry to hear of the passing of your loved one. Monte and I enjoyed conversing with him at Kate's wedding. Prayers & Peace to all of you in his absence.* 🙏🕊️❤️

Katherine - January 16, 2024 at 10:37 PM

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“ *Karen Kaser Tubbs & Family purchased the Sweet Tenderness for the family of Richard Kaser.*



Karen Kaser Tubbs & Family - January 15, 2024 at 05:44 PM

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“ Karen Kaser Tubbs & Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Richard Kaser.

Karen Kaser Tubbs & Family - January 15, 2024 at 05:44 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Richard Kaser.



January 15, 2024 at 04:09 PM

CH

“ Our deepest sympathy and love. Mark and Cheryl Herr and family.

Cheryl Herr - January 14, 2024 at 06:59 PM

KP

“ Dear Pat and family, so sad to hear of Rich passing. We had so much fun at Brandywine and couples golf. Our English Garden neighborhood will miss him. With sympathy, Carlo and Karolyn Poggi

Karolyn Poggi - January 13, 2024 at 08:20 PM