



## Richard D Mair

August 25, 1950 - April 22, 2026

Princeton - Richard D. Mair, 75, of Princeton, passed away peacefully at home on Wednesday, April 22, 2026, with his family by his side.

Richard was born on August 25, 1950, in Morris, Illinois, the son of Donald and Norma (Fulkerson) Mair. In 1960, he moved with his family to Princeton, where he would spend the majority of the next 65 years, dedicating himself to his community in many meaningful ways.

On June 22, 1974, Richard married the love of his life, Vicki (Scherer), at the First United Methodist Church in Princeton. Together they built a life centered on family. He was a devoted father to Chad (Aurélie) Mair of Mamaroneck, New York; Stephanie (Clay) Johnson of Lindenhurst, Illinois; and Stacy (Kevin) Swan of Arlington Heights, Illinois. He was a proud and loving grandfather to seven grandchildren: Lana and Evan Roche-Mair; Caleb, Eliza, and Adelynn Johnson; and Charlotte and Wesley Swan.

Richard pursued his education at the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign, later graduating from Illinois State University, and earning his Master of Business Administration from Southern Illinois University Carbondale.

He began his career at Carus Chemical in LaSalle, Illinois, and later served as Assistant Director of the SIU Arena in Carbondale. He eventually returned to

Princeton to join Mair Oil Company, where he dedicated more than 20 years before retiring in 2015.

A lifelong member of the First United Methodist Church in Princeton, Richard served his church in numerous roles over the years. He was an avid sports fan, loyally following the Green Bay Packers, Chicago White Sox, Illinois Fighting Illini, and Princeton Tigers. His passion for sports extended into coaching, where he mentored many youth baseball and soccer teams.

Richard was also an accomplished amateur photographer. As a member of the Princeton Photography Club, he earned numerous awards for his work. His photography often reflected his love of travel, capturing moments from across the United States and abroad. He cherished family vacations and later traveled to destinations including the Netherlands, Scotland, London, Paris, and Alaska. Above all, he found great joy in visiting national parks, striving to experience as many as he could.

For more than a decade, Richard faced Parkinson's Disease with dignity, courage, and grace.

He was preceded in death by his parents and his brother, Donald Jr. He is survived by his beloved wife, Vicki; his children and grandchildren; his sister, Carol (Floyd) Dickinson; his brother, Steven (Paige) Mair; his brothers-in-law, Keith (Cherie Martin) Scherer and Darryl (Donna) Scherer; and many nieces and nephews.

Visitation will be held on Tuesday, April 28, 2026, from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. at Norberg Memorial Home Inc & Monuments, 701 E Thompson St, Princeton.

Services will take place on Wednesday, April 29, 2026, at 11:00 a.m. at the First United Methodist Church in Princeton. Officiated by Pastor Michael

Hickok, Private burial at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be directed to the First United Methodist Church in Princeton or to Rock Steady Boxing Peoria, 5629 N. Galena Rd., Peoria Heights, Illinois 61616.

Online condolences may be directed to [www.norbergfh.com](http://www.norbergfh.com)

Arrangements entrusted to Norberg Memorial Home Inc. & Monuments

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR **28**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Norberg Memorial Home, Inc.  
701 E. Thompson Street  
Princeton, IL 61356

## Funeral Service

APR **29**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

First United Methodist Church  
316 S Church Street  
Princeton, IL 61356

# Tribute Wall

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“ I want to express sincere my sympathies and condolences to Vicki and family for your loss of Richard. May God’s love and comfort be with you all.

*Blessings,  
Ruth Hayward*

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**Hayward** - April 29 at 06:09 PM

TF

“ The Smeltzer Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Richard D Mair.



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**The Smeltzer Family** - April 28 at 11:02 PM

JG

“ Jean G. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Richard D Mair.

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**Jean G.** - April 28 at 07:13 PM

PR

“ Portale Randazzo purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Richard D Mair.



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**Portale Randazzo** - April 28 at 01:42 PM

JD

“ To Vicki and family, we are so sorry to hear of Rich passing... he was always smiling when we saw him in the neighborhood! My favorite memory was when our families went camping together at Johnson Saulk Park! We had a great time! Fun was had by all! Prayers and hugs to you all. He will be missed! John and Dodie Campbell

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John and Dodie - April 28 at 11:44 AM



“ Heavenly Heights Bouquet was purchased for the family of Richard D Mair.



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April 27 at 04:46 PM



“ Treasured Lilies Spray was purchased for the family of Richard D Mair.



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April 27 at 09:26 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Richard D Mair.

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April 27 at 09:26 AM

JS

“ Josh & Claire Smith purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Richard D Mair.



Josh & Claire Smith - April 26 at 11:27 PM

JS

“ Josh & Claire Smith planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Richard D Mair.

Josh & Claire Smith - April 26 at 11:27 PM

TE

“ The Staars and Ecklers purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Richard D Mair.



The Staars and Ecklers - April 26 at 03:39 PM

TE

“ The Staars and Ecklers planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Richard D Mair.

The Staars and Ecklers - April 26 at 03:39 PM



“ Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of Richard D Mair.



April 26 at 07:50 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Richard D Mair.

April 26 at 07:50 AM



“ Robert et Christine adressent leurs sincères condoléances à Vicky son épouse et à tous ses enfants et principalement à Chad notre gendre - Bien amicalement - Robert et Christine ROCHE -France

ROCHE - April 26 at 03:47 AM



“ Rich and I shared a friendship while we were both at U of I one fall semester in 1969. Our dorms both dined at the nearby mess hall. A few times I enjoyed playing cards, think it was bridge, with him and a couple of his friends. He was such a great guy, always outgoing and friendly. Have always regretted not renewing that friendship with him and his family over the time we've both been back in Princeton. Seems our lives were both busy and our paths just seldom ever crossed. I extend great sympathy to his family for their loss. Hope their memories will give them eventual peace. I know Rich has now found great peace in the arms of our Lord.

Mary Lynn May - April 24 at 08:35 PM



“ Rex and Jill Wicks and Family purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Richard D Mair.



Rex and Jill Wicks and Family - April 24 at 03:48 PM

VL

“ *Village Of Lindenhurst lit a candle in memory of Richard D Mair*



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**Village of Lindenhurst** - April 24 at 01:59 PM

MP

“ *Melinda P. purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of Richard D Mair.*



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**Melinda P.** - April 24 at 01:14 PM