



Richard Arthur Mills

January 24, 1937 - August 20, 2022

Princeton - Richard Arthur "Dick" Mills passed away on Saturday, August 20, 2022 at Liberty Village in Princeton, IL.

Dick was born at home on January 24, 1937 in Arispie Township near Tiskilwa, IL, the son of the late Fred and Marion (Barthelman) Mills. Richard's father passed away several months after Richard's birth. His mother, Marion, later married Dick's step-father, Lawrence Dailey.

He graduated from Bureau Township Highschool in 1955 where he participated in many sports and still holds the all-time scoring record in basketball. Richard married Barbara May on July 17, 1960 at the First Lutheran Church in Ohio, IL. They celebrated their 62nd anniversary this year.

After graduating, Richard enlisted in the United States Navy and served aboard the U.S.S. Ticonderoga, an Aircraft Carrier in the Naval Fleet, where he was an electronics technician. That's where he learned his love of repairing things. If it couldn't be fixed by anyone else, Dick would find a way.

Dick started his own television and small appliance repair service in Princeton in 1963. He eventually closed his business and went to work for the Sears Service Center in Princeton in 1970. He later worked for Wind Power Electric in Princeton and retired in 2002.

He was a member of the First Lutheran Church in Princeton serving as the church custodian for 38 years. He also served on the church council and several committees.

Richard is survived by his wife of 62 years, Barbara Mills of Princeton, IL, two sons; Eric (Jennifer) Mills of Princeton, IL and Christopher Mills of Madison, WI, two grandchildren; David Mills of Ladd and Abbey Mills of Princeton, two great-grandchildren; Morrissey Mills and Lucas Hermeyer, and many nieces and nephews.

Richard is preceded in death by his father, Fred Mills, his mother, Marion Mills Dailey, his step father Lawrence Dailey, Sr., two brothers, Lawrence Dailey, Jr. and Francis Raymond Mills, two sisters; Mary Johnson and Linda Price.

A visitation will be held on Sunday, August 28, 2022 at Norberg Memorial Home, Inc. & Monuments from 4:00 pm -6:00 pm.

Services for Dick will be held on Monday, August 29, 2022 at 10:00 am at the First Lutheran Church in Princeton, IL, officiated by Pastor Bill Shields.

Graveside services to follow at Oakland Cemetery, Princeton, IL. Military rites accorded.

Memorials may be directed to the First Lutheran Church, Princeton, IL.

Online condolences and memorials may be directed to www.norbergfh.com

Arrangements by Norberg Memorial Home Inc. & Monuments

Cemetery Details

Oakland Cemetery

Park Avenue
Princeton, IL 61356

Previous Events

Graveside Service

AUG **22**. 11:30 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Oakland Cemetery
Park Avenue
Princeton, IL 61356

Visitation

AUG **28**. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

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

Funeral Service

AUG **29**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

First Lutheran Church
116 N Pleasant
Princeton, IL 61356

Tribute Wall



“ [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was purchased for the family of Richard Arthur Mills.

September 12, 2022 at 09:32 AM



“ Jim and Cindy Mills purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Richard Arthur Mills.



Jim and Cindy Mills - August 26, 2022 at 07:03 PM



“ Thank you for allowing us the opportunity to provide care for Dick and the family in his time of need. '

IHCC Hospice Team



IHCC Hospice - August 25, 2022 at 11:26 AM



I remember that Dick and Barbara were sponsors for the church teen group at First Lutheran when I was a teen. I'm thankful to both of them for their time and attention to the group. Connie Edlefson Frankenfeld

Connie E Frankenfeld - August 25, 2022 at 04:22 PM