



Richard Major III

October 20, 1932 - October 30, 2018

On October 30, 2018, Richard “Dick” Major passed away unexpectedly at the age of 86. Dick was born in The Bronx NY and grew up in White Plains NY. In 1954, he graduated Dartmouth University and subsequently joined the Airforce until 1959 as a lieutenant and navigator. Dick was stationed at Ellington Field during cadet training, where he met the love of his life, Annabell (Ann) Culley and made his home in Houston. After retirement from the Air Force, Dick began and advanced his career at the forefront of computer technology working for several major companies including Honeywell, Xerox and Nixdorf.

As a child Dick enjoyed building model airplanes in his workshop under the cellar stairs, which was a prelude to his love of flying as an adult. He joined the US Air Force from 1954 to 1959. He loved flying and co-owned and Cessna airplane, one of his many “toys”. He enjoyed watching as well as playing the sport of the season; however, his favorite was baseball. After college, before he joined the Air Force, he played for the Philadelphia Phillies farm team. He was elated to see the Astros win the World Series last year. To his surprise while playing football in High School he was dubbed the nickname “SSSLSM”, shocking shoulders, sexy legs, scrumptious man. He was a natural athlete and managed to play many sports even into his later years. The most important lessons he learned in life came from his experiences as a Boy Scout, his faith, and the values his parents instilled in him. This made him

a man of integrity and honor. He hoped that he “set a good example for his children and their children to use as a guidepost to make wise choices in their lives”. Dick had a very witty. He loved to tell stories and jokes. Some of the best moments in his life were during Thanksgiving and Christmas. The gathering of the family and reminiscing of life’s events were very special to him. He once was asked what he loved most about Ann, and he responded, “What don’t I love best? Our marriage has endured because we both treat each other with respect. We are all that is required to go through our lives to live together for a long- lasting relationship ‘til death do us part.” They definitely had a love story that most people do not have the privilege of experiencing. In 2014, when asked to the greatest gift he could receive, he responded, “I feel that I have already received my most wonderful gift. The gift is a loving wife, three beautiful daughters, six super grandchildren, and one great grandchild with hopefully more to come. The fact that they all, but two, live in the greater Houston area makes it even better since we get together often for family events.”

Dick will be forever remembered by his loving wife, Ann, his 3 daughters, Karen Mace, Sharon Jenkins and Linda White, two sons- in- law, six grandchildren and four great grandchildren and his sister Elaine Snow.

Visitation will be held at Dettling Funeral Home, 14094 Memorial Drive, Houston, TX 77079 on Sunday, November 4, 2018 from 2pm until 4pm. Service will be held on Monday, November 5, 2018 at 11am. Reception to follow.

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 4. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (CT)

Dettling Funeral Home
14094 Memorial Drive
Houston, TX 77079
(281) 497-2121
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Service

NOV 5. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Reception

NOV 5. 12:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Richard Major III*

October 08, 2023 at 10:52 AM



“ *Richard Major III*

October 06, 2023 at 01:12 AM



“ *Richard Major III*

October 05, 2023 at 09:45 AM



“ *Richard Major III*

October 05, 2023 at 01:54 AM



“ *Ann,
My prayers are with you.
Jimanne*

Jimanne Durkee - November 04, 2018 at 10:35 PM

LD

“ My prayers go out to Dick's family. I worked with Dick at Nixdorf Computer. He was a very kind person and was always willing to help in any way he could. A very special person is now in God's hands. God bless his family.

Lana Deese

Lana Deese - November 03, 2018 at 12:41 PM

JF

“ We are so sorry for your loss.
Our prayers are with you all.
Sending our deepest sympathy,
Jim and Pam Fleming

Jim and Pam Fleming - November 02, 2018 at 06:14 PM



“ *Delightful Dieffenbachia was purchased for the family of Richard Major III.*



November 02, 2018 at 01:05 PM

ML

“ *Mrs, Major, Linda, Karen, and Sharon,*
I was so saddened to hear of the loss of Mr. Major. You are all in my prayers at this time. If there is anything my family can do to help, just let us know. We love all of you.
Marilyn LaMance

Marilyn LaMance - November 02, 2018 at 09:21 AM



“ *Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of Richard Major III.*



November 01, 2018 at 09:41 PM



“ *Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased for the family of Richard Major III.*



November 01, 2018 at 04:45 PM