



Larry A. Rademacher

January 11, 1944 - April 2, 2020

Larry A. Rademacher, 76, of Ellettsville, Indiana, went to his heavenly home on April 2, 2020, at Bloomington Hospital after a long battle with pulmonary disease. He was born on January 11, 1944, the son of Edwin and Marie (Downey) Rademacher.

He is survived by his loving wife Betty L. (Stimson), his daughter in law Julia Wood Rademacher, his grandson Lucas J. Rademacher, a nephew Branton L. Milholland (Jacque) and two nieces Jennifer L. Duncan (Dennis) and LeAnne M. Kinser, and brother in law Keith C. Stimson.

He was preceded in death by his son Rex Alan Rademacher, both parents, his sister Ruth (Rademacher) Milholland and brother in law Roger Milholland.

Larry graduated from Ellettsville High School in 1962, then he and Betty were married on February 5, 1965. He served his country through the Indiana National Guard and after 21 years was honorably discharged as a first sergeant. He worked as a lineman and splicer for 36 years with AT&T. He enjoyed traveling with Betty and their friends in their RV. He was a skilled woodworker and gifted his family with many beautiful pieces of furniture and carvings. Larry especially enjoyed spending time with his grandson Lucas. He was a member of the Scottish Rite, the American Legion and was past master of the Ellettsville Masonic Lodge. Larry and Betty were faithful members of Sherwood Oaks Christian Church.

There will be a private graveside service at Chambersville Cemetery on Tuesday, April 7, 2020. A Celebration of Life service will be held at a later date when we can gather together safely. In lieu of flowers, donations may be given to Sherwood Oaks Christian Church. Larry was dearly loved by his family and friends and will be greatly missed. He was an inspiration and an encouragement to many. Allen Funeral Home and Crematory, 4155 S. Old State Road 37, Bloomington have been entrusted with arrangements. Online condolences, photos and memories may be shared with family and friends at <http://www.allencares.com>

Comments



“ Betty and family,
Sorry to hear of Larry's passing.
I was fortunate to have known him for many years while serving in Headquarters Battery.
I joined right out of high school in 1978 and was privileged to be under his direction until his retirement. He was a great leader, mentor, and friend who always took time to help us individually improve as a soldier and as a person giving us encouraging advice for both.
He always took care of his soldiers and we respected him for that.
Many times he spoke of his family and about the current project he was working on.
I know he will be greatly missed!

David Merida
Staff Sergeant Retired

David Merida - April 14, 2020 at 10:49 AM



“ Dear Betty,
So sorry to read of Larry's passing. My first contact with Larry was in the mid 1970's. I lived on Court Street and worked at Camp Atterbury. My CB handle was Citizen Soldier and I started receiving calls from a guy who went by the handle of Redleg. After I transferred to Bloomington and started meeting people at the armory Larry identified himself to me as Redleg. I later transferred from Service Battery into HHB and Larry was my first sergeant. When he retired I was operations sergeant for the battalion. After I retired in 2007 I went to work at Ellettsville True Value and used to enjoy seeing Larry come into the store. We spent more time catching up than he did buying things. From my first encounter with him as first sergeant to my last encounter about six months ago as a store customer he was always a pleasure to be around. I feel honored to be able to call him a friend.

Wade Martz
Master Sergeant Retired

Wade Martz - April 13, 2020 at 02:06 PM



“ Sorry to learn of Larry's passing. Larry was the first sergeant at the Bloomington Armory when I came to that artillery battery. He was a good soldier, mentor and friend. I followed Larry as Headquarters Battery First Sergeant and used his teachings as my guide. I will miss him at the Redleg gatherings but will remember him always.

Gordon Lake - April 12, 2020 at 11:44 AM



“ Betty, Julia, and rest of family;

I'm so sorry to hear about Larry's passing. It wasn't that long ago that I saw him and he told me of his problems, but never guessed so bad. Always enjoyed and respected him. He was a calming influence to folks. He'll be missed, but he's doing very well now.

henry wichman - April 06, 2020 at 12:43 PM



“ Betty and family,

So very sorry to hear of Larry's passing but praising the fact that he is in the arms of our Savior. May God's comfort and peace be with you all during this most difficult time.

Sincerely,
The Raake family
Bob, Margaret, Rich, Myra, Angie and kids

Angie Raake - April 06, 2020 at 11:08 AM



“ Jack thought so much of Larry.
Jack also passed away of pulmonary problems. I want to send my condolences to the family!

Vincie Ann McPike - April 04, 2020 at 11:16 PM



“ Sorry to hear of his death. Just cherish the memories.

La Verne Reinbold - April 04, 2020 at 08:55 PM



“ Betty, I am so sorry, I will be praying for you to feel God's comforting arms around you. I loved Larry from my earliest memories, when I saw how much Grandma R. loved him. He made her laugh, and I wanted to be like him. Great memories of him over the years, Roy Rogers and Dale Evans, family gatherings, the duck he carved for me, visits and talks on the phone.

Roseann Scott - April 04, 2020 at 04:20 PM



“ We are so sorry to hear of Larry's passing. You are in our prayers sweet lady.
John & Kathy Heavilon

Kathy - April 05, 2020 at 10:03 AM



“ Larry always had a beautiful smile anytime we met him. You are in our prayers Betty! God bless!

Arlie and Rita Taylor - April 05, 2020 at 12:28 PM



“ Julia and Lucas I am so sorry for your loss lots of hugs and prayers.

Debbie Ferran - April 06, 2020 at 09:08 PM



“ Betty, So sorry to hear of the loss of Larry. Bill enjoyed talking to him about tractors and woodworking. You are in my thoughts and prayers
Linda Clark

Linda Clark - April 04, 2020 at 04:17 PM



“ Larry and Betty were and always will be a special couple. I still remember the night I stayed all night with him when we were in school. I remember the picture his Dad had hanging in his garage.

Marvin Christman - April 04, 2020 at 01:04 PM