



Richard Paul "Dick" Kleffman

October 14, 1934 - May 8, 2020

Richard Paul "Dick" Kleffman, 85, of Stephens City died Friday, May 8, 2020 at Lynn Care Nursing Home in Front Royal, Virginia after a long battle with Parkinson's Disease and Dementia.

He was born on October 14, 1934 in Granite City, Illinois, the son of Herbert and Pauline Kleffman, who preceded him in death. He was also preceded in death by his spouse of 57 years, Martha Rose "Marty" Kleffman.

He graduated with his Masters Degree from Washington University of St. Louis in 1959. He briefly worked for AT&T before beginning his long career as a civil servant working for the United States government in various agencies. The assignments he enjoyed the most were with the US Department of State when he and the family were stationed at various US Embassies. These assignments sparked an interest in outdoor activities of skiing and hiking. In 1992, he retired from government service and moved to Park City, Utah where he and Marty enjoyed the local skiing and hiking. They served the Park City community via the Ambassadors Club and the Park City United Methodist congregation. As his Parkinson's disease progressed, he and Marty moved back to Virginia in 2012 to be near family and he became a faithful member of Stephens City United Methodist Church.

In 2016, he was admitted into Lynn Care Nursing Home in Front Royal due to the complications of Dementia and Parkinson's.

He is survived by his sons: Richard Kleffman, Jr. and his wife Leanne of Ashburn, Greg Kleffman and his wife Candice of Stephens City; Tom Kleffman

of Middletown; grandsons Hunter Kleffman and his wife Callie and their son Casey; Stephen Kleffman and Conner Kleffman; his sister Nancy Kaepfel and her husband Bill; and many nieces and a nephew.

The funeral will be held on Friday, May 15 at 11:00AM EST at Stephens City United Methodist Church officiated by Pastor Robert Schoeman. Due to Covid-19 restrictions only immediate family members will be allowed into the church. However, all our family and friends are invited to live stream the funeral service via the Stephens City UMC Facebook page at: <https://www.facebook.com/StephensCityUMC/>

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Lynn Care Center, Shenandoah Park Lane Activities, 1000 N. Shenandoah Ave., Front Royal, VA 22630 or to Stephens City United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 428, Stephens City, VA 22655.

Tribute Wall

NC

“ Dick and Marty and his wife Marty are one of the nicest, most wonderful and generous people my husband and I ever met. They gracefully hosted us in their home and treated us like we were part of the family while we were covering the Sundance Film Festival in Park City, Utah. We lost contact after they moved away to Virginia. I tried sending Emails but all went unanswered. Couple of days ago Dick and Marty came to my mind and I got on my computer, and found photos from our Sundance film festival days tradition Stein Eriksen Lodge in Deer Valley buffet where we enjoyed our time together. I was always bothered by the fact we lost contact, so I decided to look online to see if I could locate a phone number, or an Email address and was shocked and saddened when I found Dick's obituary. I feel really bad that we didn't know Dick had passed. I love Dick and Marty. I will never forget their love and generosity. R.I.P. Dick we will remember you forever and ever. Sam and Nidia.

Nidia Cota-Birenbaum - July 30, 2023 at 02:04 AM

MN

“ So sad to learn of the passing of Mr. Kleffman. I have many good memories of our neighbors, the Kleffmans during the time we lived in Sterling Park. I remember Mr. Kleffman driving the Nelson and Kleffman kids to D.C. to see the sights during our school breaks when Sterling was experimenting with year round school. And very memorable New Years parties in the basement of the Tazewell house. Good Memories!

Mark Nelson - November 12, 2020 at 10:55 AM

DW

“ Richard will be missed by his Lynn Care family. We all have our special memories of him. For me that would be our morning ritual. I would greet him at breakfast with this little tune when it first started he would just chuckle at me but then before I knew it he was singing along. Rip Richard.

Deb Watson - May 15, 2020 at 07:05 AM

GK

“ 1 file added to the album Memories Album



Greg Kleffman - May 14, 2020 at 06:15 AM

GK

“ 1 file added to the album Memories Album



Greg Kleffman - May 14, 2020 at 06:14 AM

GK

“ 1 file added to the album Memories Album



Greg Kleffman - May 13, 2020 at 01:05 PM

GK

“ 1 file added to the album Memories Album



Greg Kleffman - May 13, 2020 at 01:05 PM

GK

“ 1 file added to the album Memories Album



Greg Kleffman - May 13, 2020 at 01:04 PM

DL

“ I always remember talking to Dick about his experiences “Working “ the ski slopes at the 2002 WINTER OLYMPICS in Utah! He brought me back the Tam that the USA Team wore and I still have it. RIP To Gentleman

Dave Loos - May 12, 2020 at 05:19 PM

GK

“ 1 file added to the album Memories Album



Greg Kleffman - May 12, 2020 at 07:52 AM

GK

“ 1 file added to the album *Memories Album*



Greg Kleffman - May 12, 2020 at 07:47 AM

GK

“ 1 file added to the album *Memories Album*



Greg Kleffman - May 12, 2020 at 07:45 AM

GK

“ 1 file added to the album *Memories Album*



Greg Kleffman - May 12, 2020 at 07:40 AM

LE

“ *The Kleffmans are our family! Tommy and I were born in Brasil together! Conner was at my home daycare and was best buddies with my son! We grew up living overseas with the Kkeffmans and always visited them when they lived in Sterling. If anything happened to my parents while us four kids were growing up Mr and Mrs Kleffman would have become our legal guardians. It's a great loss to lose them both. Praying for Ricky, Greg and Tommy! We love you all and your wives, kids and grandson!💙💙💙*

Lisa Eyler - May 11, 2020 at 07:06 PM



“ *The coolest uncle ever. Witty, wickedly intelligent and the man who hosted my first trip to Europe, made sure I learned to ski and shared some of the best books I ever read. His taste in music was exquisite. And, his interest in the Weather Channel inexplicable. I will miss the powerful brain and dry sense of humor the most. Au revoir, Uncle Dick.*

Dede Munzert - May 11, 2020 at 03:18 PM

GK

“ *1 file added to the album Memories Album*



Greg Kleffman - May 11, 2020 at 02:47 PM

LE

Awhh! My Dad's best buddy! Dad still talks about their almost 2 month trip to Alaska the two of them took!💙💙💙

Lisa Eyler - May 11, 2020 at 07:07 PM

GK

“ 1 file added to the album Memories Album



Greg Kleffman - May 11, 2020 at 02:45 PM

GK

“ 1 file added to the album Memories Album



Greg Kleffman - May 11, 2020 at 02:44 PM

GK

“ 1 file added to the album Memories Album



Greg Kleffman - May 11, 2020 at 02:44 PM

GK

“ *Thanks dad. What a blessing it was being your son. I miss you but you will always be with me.*

Greg Kleffman - May 11, 2020 at 02:43 PM

GK

“ 1 file added to the album *Memories Album*



Greg Kleffman - May 11, 2020 at 02:41 PM

GK

“ 1 file added to the album *Richard*



Greg Kleffman - May 11, 2020 at 02:39 PM

GK

“ *Finally, I've got a moment to sit and think. What a blessing for me to have been his son and to learn the right way to be a gentleman.*

Greg Kleffman - May 11, 2020 at 02:37 PM