



Richard O. Reed

September 1, 1935 - June 27, 2016

Rye Beach - Richard O. Reed, 80, of Rye Beach, died Monday, June 27, 2016 at the Portsmouth Regional Hospital, surrounded by his family.

He was born September 1, 1935, in Shelbyville, Illinois, the son of the late Nancy (Tull) Krick and John O. Reed.

Dick graduated from Fordson High School in Dearborn, MI, class of 1953. In 1957, he was commissioned as an Ensign in the U.S. Navy and served as a Naval Aviator until 1968. Upon leaving active duty, he remained in the Naval Reserves and retired as a Commander. Dick went on to fly for Northwest Airlines and retired in 1994 as a 747 Captain. He graduated from the University of Minnesota with a BA in Business during his employment with Northwest Airlines.

He resided in Rye Beach and Satellite Beach, FL since 1984 and had previously lived in Bloomington, MN. Dick was a self-made man who continued, throughout his life, to appreciate and marvel at his success. He was a dedicated and loving husband and father who put the needs of his family first. He enjoyed visiting with family and friends, telling stories, studying history, listening to country music and traveling.

He is survived by his wife, Sandra (Butterfield) Reed of Rye Beach; his son,

Jeffrey Reed and his wife, Michelle of Manhattan Beach, CA; his daughter, Heather Martillo and her husband, John of Westchester, CA; his daughter, Jennifer Reed of Newington, CT; and his grandchildren Alex, Cassie, Adam, Kristin and Justin.

Family and friends may visit from 11 am to 12:15 pm on Thursday, June 30, 2016 in the Remick & Gendron Funeral Home – Crematory, 811 Lafayette Rd., Hampton. A time for sharing memories will be begin at 12:15 following the visitation. Interment with Navy Honors will take place at approximately 1 pm in the Central Cemetery, Rye. A reception will be held from 1:45 to 5:30 pm at the Galley Hatch Restaurant, 325 Lafayette Rd., Hampton.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 30. 11:00 AM - 12:15 PM (ET)

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Committal Service

JUN 30. 1:00 PM (ET)

Central Cemetery
20 Central Road
Rye, NH

Reception

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Galley Hatch Restaurant
325 Lafayette Road
Hampton, NH 03842

Tribute Wall



“ *Richard O. Reed*

September 18, 2022 at 12:49 AM

“ Dick and I were good friends in our Navy Squadron and after we left the Navy. He was best man at my wedding, and a best friend for all the many years. There are lots of stories, but a few will do to show his sense of humor and locality:

I was checking out of the Navy Patrol Squadron and Dick was admin officer, and I needed his signature to go. I went for his sign-off, but Dick did not feel that enough had been made of my four years in the squadron, and I had received only verbal tribute, no physical tribute or memento from the C.O. He said, "Hold on, we have a squadron plaque for you." We had recently returned from a deployment to Rota, Spain and the C. O. had had some special plaques made. He came back with a plaque and carefully wrapped it for me.

We said our goodbyes and off I went to the next duty assignment at Jacksonville, FL. A few weeks later I received a call from the X.O. of the squadron wanting to know if I had stolen a plaque from the Ready Room wall, and saying the C.O. wanted it back. Naturally, I said truthfully I had not taken the plaque from the RR wall. I still have the plaque Dick gave me, and it hangs proudly today on my "I love me" wall with other treasures. I don't know if the C.O. ever found his missing plaque.

We were flying on a submarine contact off the East Coast of the U.S.A. The sub had been located and was being tracked by the squadron 24/7. Dick was in one crew and I in another, and we were swapping for "on-station" time over the contact by voice radio passing data. (This was many years pre-digital data and computers and that's the way we did it.) As we were passing data back and forth, Dick and I, generated a competition between the crews as to who could develop the best "fix" on the sub, with the winner to receive a bottle of Scotch Whiskey from the other. Since the criteria was complicated it was tough to decide a winner, and Dick and I had many good times over the years trying to prove we were the one who deserved the Scotch.

I am missing my good friend and hope we may someday, once again, share a Scotch.

Bart Smith, Captain, USN Retired

Bart smith - July 06, 2016 at 12:00 AM



“ *Joyful Memory was purchased for the family of Richard O. Reed.*



July 03, 2016 at 10:10 PM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Richard O. Reed.*



June 29, 2016 at 11:21 PM



“ *Dick was a classmate at the beginning of his NWA career. He was a true gentleman with a witty sense of humor. He was a good one. Our prayers to his family.*

Vernon Feedback - June 29, 2016 at 03:47 PM

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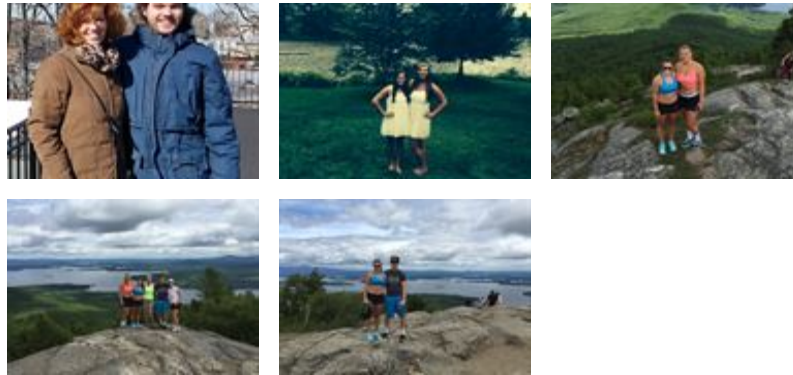
“ Tom Fulop purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Richard O. Reed.



Tom Fulop - June 29, 2016 at 12:16 PM



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Remick & Gendron Funeral Home - June 29, 2016 at 11:34 AM

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“ Good memories of talking with Dick about flying, planes, and history and some spirited political discussions. I got the flying bug from Dick when I was a kid and that started an adventure. I'll miss my visits with him.

Chris Gillard

Christopher Gillard - June 29, 2016 at 08:29 AM

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christopher Gillard - June 29, 2016 at 08:16 AM