

Remembering the Life....

Richard “Dick” Peterson, 83 of Battle Lake died Monday, July 7, 2025, at the Battle Lake Good Samaritan Center.

Richard Harry Peterson was born on August 30, 1941, in Britton, South Dakota the son of Harry and Minnie (Carlson) Peterson. He was baptized and confirmed in White Stone Hill Church by Milnor, North Dakota. Dick attended the Aliceton School and graduated from Gwinner High School in 1959.

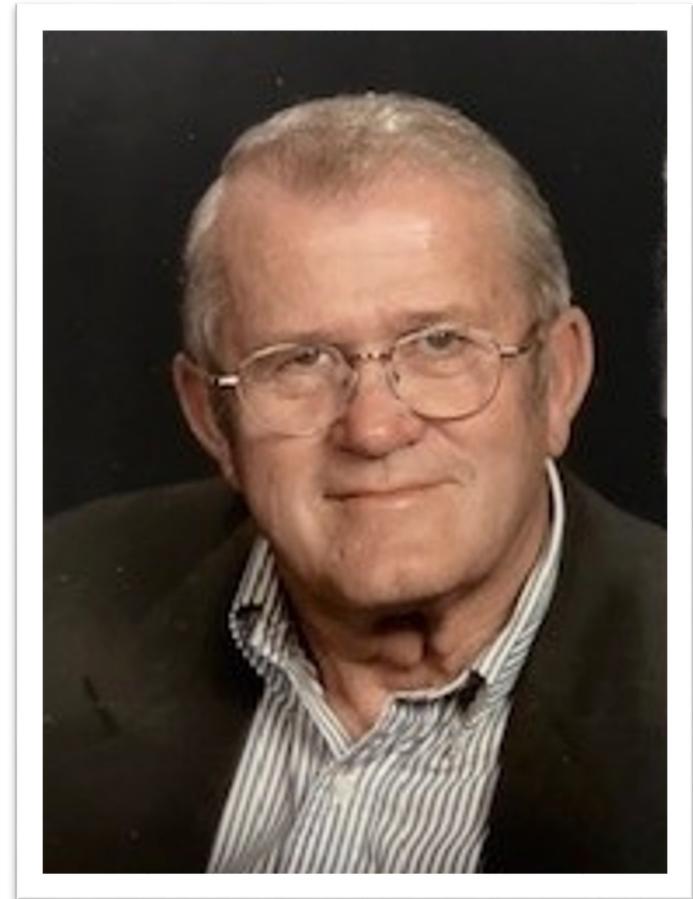
Richard and Shirley Toyne were married on December 5, 1959, in Lisbon, North Dakota. They lived in the St. Paul area where he drove truck for Sussel Lumber and then sold insurance for Farmers Insurance. In 1974, they purchased Bonnie Beach Resort by Battle Lake and he also drove school bus for the Battle Lake Public School, driving for ten years. In 1987, they started the Clitherall Lake Campgrounds and in 1988, they sold the resort and moved to the campgrounds. In 2000, they sold the campgrounds and then moved to Hillside Estates. In 1989 until 2005, they spent winters in Yuma, Arizona where Dick and Shirley managed a large campground, Araby Acres, and in their retirement, they wintered in Texas. Dick enjoyed snowmobiling, woodworking, and remodeling properties. He was a member of First Lutheran Church in Battle Lake.

Dick is survived by his wife, Shirley; three children, Kim (Larry) Charest, Ryan (Dawn) Peterson and Doug (Teri) Peterson; six grandchildren and eighteen great-grandchildren, Chelsey (Derek) Tysdal, Emelia, Aiden and Brody, McKenzie (Ryan) Lee, Everett, Orson, Ingrid and August, Ashley (Darin) Mischke and Nathan, Jessey (Nick) Paulzine, Carsyn, Prestyn and Hudsyn, Brittaney (Dustin) Fernholz, Lily, Gracie, Mallory and Colt, and Zacharey (Deidre) Peterson, Hayley, Jase and Tripp; sister, Bonnie Sveum of Coon Rapids; brother, Dennis (Sharon) Peterson of Milnor; and by numerous relatives and friends. He was preceded in death by his parents and brother-in-law, Levon Sveum.

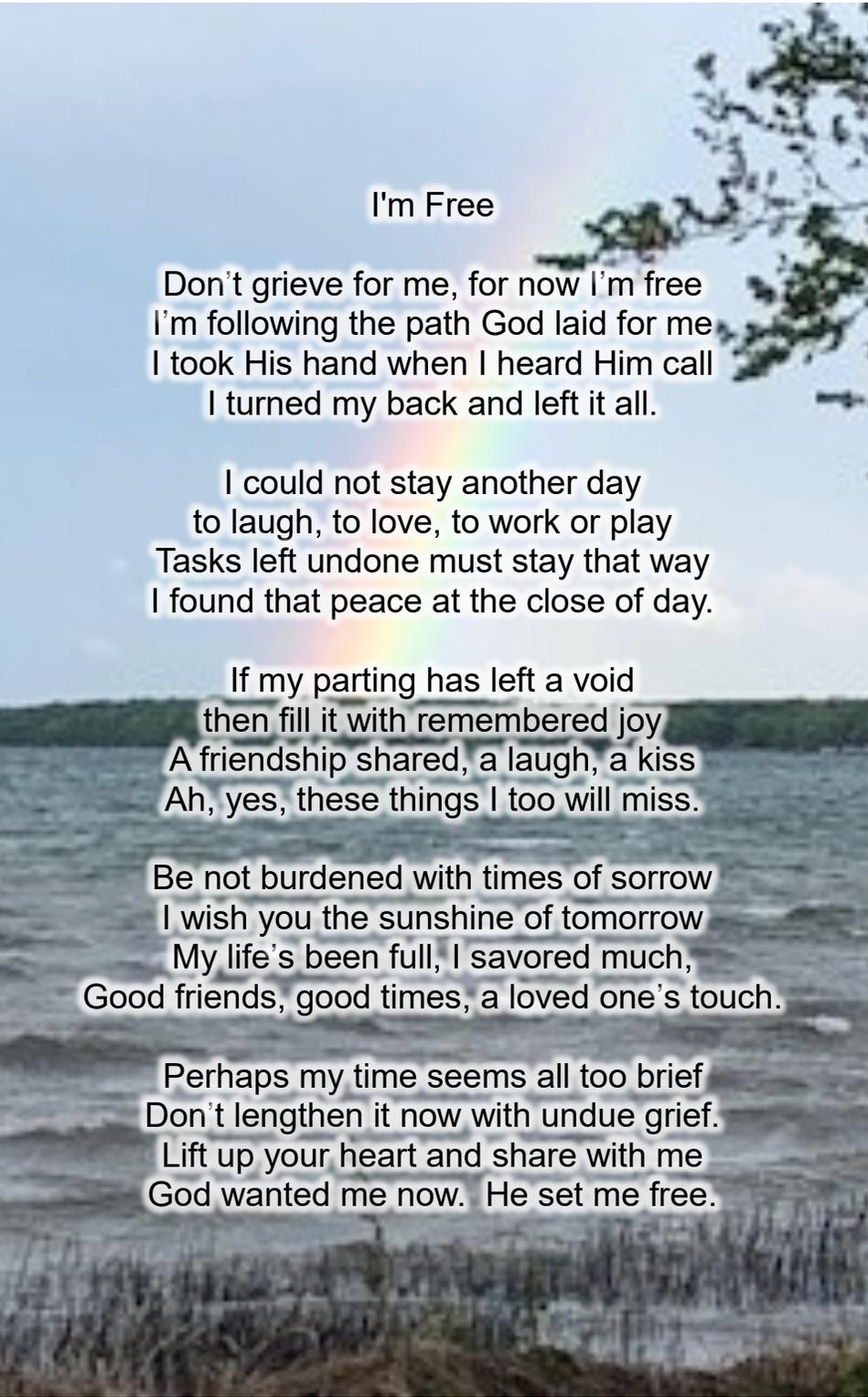


Blessed be the Memory of
Dick Peterson

Celebrating the Life of



Dick



I'm Free

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free
I'm following the path God laid for me
I took His hand when I heard Him call
I turned my back and left it all.

I could not stay another day
to laugh, to love, to work or play
Tasks left undone must stay that way
I found that peace at the close of day.

If my parting has left a void
then fill it with remembered joy
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss
Ah, yes, these things I too will miss.

Be not burdened with times of sorrow
I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow
My life's been full, I savored much,
Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch.

Perhaps my time seems all too brief
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.
Lift up your heart and share with me
God wanted me now. He set me free.

In Loving Memory Of
Richard "Dick" Peterson

August 30, 1941 ~ July 7, 2025

Memorial Service

Thursday, July 10, 2025 at 3:00 PM
First Lutheran Church
Battle Lake, Minnesota

Officiating

Reverend Lynn Melchior

Memories

Ashley ~ Zacharey ~ Chelsey

Music

Gail Nelson, organist
Brett Toyne & Teresa Toyne-Dick, musicians
"The Old Rugged Cross"
"Precious Memories"
"If You Get There Before I Do"

Congregational Hymns

"Amazing Grace"
"What a Friend We Have in Jesus"

Urnbearers

Dick's Grandchildren
Ashley ~ Jessey ~ Brittaney
Zacharey ~ Chelsey ~ McKenzie

Appreciation

Dick's family is grateful for your attendance at this service.
Your many expressions of kindness and love are deeply appreciated. Please join family and friends for lunch and fellowship following the service.

Arrangements by

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