If Tears Could Build a Stairway

If tears could build a stairway
And memories were a lane
We would walk right up to heaven
And bring you back again.

No farewell words were spoken
No time to say goodbye
You were gone before we knew it
And only God knows why

Our hearts still ache in sadness
And secret tears still flow
What it meant to lose you
No one can ever know

But now we know you want us
To mourn for you no more
To remember all the happy times
Life still has much in store

Since you'll never be forgotten
We pledge to you today
A hallowed place within our hearts
Is where you'll always stay

In Loving Memory of

Richard H. Goodface

August 25, 1953 ~ October 6, 2026

Wake Services
Holy Comforter Episcopal Church
Lower Brule, SD
7:00 p.m., Sunday, October 11, 2026

Funeral Service
Holy Comforter Episcopal Church
Lower Brule, SD
1:00 p.m., Monday, October 12, 2026

Officiating
Father Kim Fonder
Shirley Crane
Christian Herman

Casketbearers
LeRoy Goodface
Garfield Goodface
Jaden Grassrope
Sage Ziegler
Robert Rieger
Richard Rieger
Kim St. John
Josette Ziegler

Honorary Bearers
Everyone who knew & loved him

Interment
Holy Comforter Episcopal Cemetery
Lower Brule, SD

***Arrangements By**: Hickey Funeral Home, Chamberlain, SD*

Richard H. Goodface was born in Hughes County on August 25, 1953 to Myrtle Lunderman and Henry H. Goodface. He shared his life with his long time companion Norma J. Grassrope. During their time together, they happily welcomed three beautiful children, Wind Goodface, Garfield Goodface, LeRoy Goodface. He also welcomed five stepchildren into his life Davita Grassrope, Galen Grassrope, January Coleman Johnson, Craig Brave Eagle, and Joseph Grassrope.

He attended schools in Pierre, SD and Stephan, SD.

He enjoyed his places of work which was security guard at Gold Buffalo Casino, Lower Brule Sioux Tribe Police Officer, and Lower Brule Court House as their probation officer.

He loved spending time with his grandchildren. They brought joy to his life.

He loved to watch basketball, football, and volleyball. He also loved to watch his kids play basketball and always attended their games when he could.

Richard passed away on October 6, 2026 at Sanford USD Medical Center in Sioux Falls, SD. He is survived by his children Wind Goodface, Garfield Goodface, and LeRoy Goodface; his sisters Mercedas, Henrietta, Maxine, Marilyn, Raylee, Rose, and Annette; a brother Charles and a grandchild Tiernyn Goodface along with many other friends and family.

Preceding him in death were his parents Myrtle Lunderman and Henry H. Goodface, and two step children Davita Goodface and Galen Grassrope.

He was a loving and caring father, uncle, grandpa, and brother.



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