

## Richard Stephen Snyder April 12, 1938 - November 16, 2022

Richard Stephen Snyder of Webster Groves, Missouri, 84 years old, passed away peacefully in his sleep at home on November 16th, 2022. He graduated in top of his Lima High School class in 1956 and top third in his class from the University of Cincinnati with a Bachelor of Business Administration degree in 1962. He was awarded the Ex-Cell-O scholarship; named to the Sigma Sigma, Metro and Cincinnatus honoraries; served as President of the Lamda Chi Alpha fraternity, President of the Interfraternity Council and was named the campus newspaper's Mahan Award as Outstanding Senior. He went on to achieve his Juris Doctor degree from Washington University in St. Louis in 1965 where he ranked in the top 3rd of his class.

Following graduation from law school, as a member of the Missouri Bar Association since 1965, Richard practiced general civil law independently and with several firms in the state of Missouri in St. Louis City and Clayton doing work including problem solving in the areas of estate and tax planning, estate planning, trials & appeals, business acquisitions, corporate and real estate. His work experience included founding Richard S. Snyder Law Offices and practicing there from 1991 to 2022 and earlier; partner in Biggs & Hensley, P.C. law firm from 1987 to 1991; partner with Gage & Tucker Law firm from 1985 to 1987 working with his uncle Hon. Robert O. Snyder and Hon. Christopher S. (Kit) Bond (former Missouri Governor and U.S. Senator; partner with McCarter, Snyder & Greenley from 1981 to 1985; owner of Richard S. Snyder Law Offices from 1976 to 1981; and partner with Rassieur, Long, Yawitz & Schneider from 1965 to 1976. He had special interests in mergers & acquisitions, land development, and advising business clients in their legal, tax and regulatory matters. He served on several Missouri Bar Association committees; and as Chairman of the Securities Committee and Office Practice Committee of the St. Louis Bar Association. He was appointed by Governor "Kit" Bond as one of five original members of the Missouri State Environmental Improvement Authority from 1973 to 1977; served as Trustee of the City of Webster Groves Municipal Library District from 1970 to 1979, including President during that time.

Richard was especially close to his long-time fraternity friends from U of Cincinnati he called the "Small Group". He was active with several St. Louis area church and social groups including attending the Unity Christ Church, he enjoyed his friends in the singles group, The Focus Group and the "Soup & Scripture" group at Webster Hills Methodist church. Over the years he was also actively involved in: The Webster Hills United Methodist Church, singing in the Chancel Choir, as a Trustee and member of various committees; Bradley University National Parents Board of Directors; Boy Scouts of America Skipper to the Sea Explorer Ship 302; Webster Groves Historical Society; WG Softball League team manager; President of John Marshall Republican Club; Precinct Captain and President Gravois Township Republican Club; WG Lions Club; Jefferson Township Republican Club and member of the Estate Planning Council of St. Louis.

Richard was a caring grandfather, father, husband, brother and son always sharing his perspectives on positive thinking and connections to God and religion as a way of living a better life, sharing messages of encouragement and love often with his family and friends. He loved to

join his family at sporting events watching them play and was big fan of the St. Louis baseball Cardinals. He lived an active lifestyle enjoying tennis, golf, softball, jogging, swimming and classical music. He always maintained excellent health and frequented the Webster Groves swimming pool, gym and track. He was the proud father of 3 children, Stephen "Steve" (Kara), Richard "Rick" (Michele), and Amy Snyder, all from a prior marriage; grandfather to Kristopher "Kit", Kasey and Robert "Robbie", Steve and Kara's children. Preceded in death by his parents Richard S. Snyder and Florence (nee Balliet) Snyder. He is survived by his sister Marlene Skinner (nee Snyder), Tom Skinner nephew, and numerous cousins, other relations and friends.

A memorial ceremony and celebration of life service will be held on Tuesday, November 22nd from 1:00 pm - 1:45 pm at the Webster Hills Methodist Church located at 698 West Lockwood in Webster Groves, MO 63119 (314-961-3168); followed by reception at church; The family would also like to welcome family and friends to a Visitation on Monday, November 21st from 4:00 pm - 8:00 pm at Bopp Chapel Funeral Home, located at 10610 Manchester Rd; Kirkwood, MO. 63122; (314-965-7680).

In lieu of sending flowers, please make a memorial donation to Webster Hills United Methodist Church in Richard's name.

# Cemetery



ST. PAUL CHURCHYARD

7600 S. Rock Hill Rd., Affton, MO 63123

## **Events**



MEMORIAL SERVICE 1:00 PM

Webster Hills United Methodist Church 698 West Lockwood Ave., Webster Groves, MO 63119



MEMORIAL VISITATION 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM Bopp Chapel 10610 Manchester Rd., Kirkwood, MO 63122

### **Tribute Wall**



#### **Bob Fischer**

Remember Dick as a class guy in Lambda Chi Alpha at University of Cincinnati. As an Active LXA he was always kind and helpful to our entire Pledge class! Yours in ZAX Bob Fischer



### Mary and Kent Morgan

We have very fond memories of times with Richard and our Saturday night diner's group. Our thoughts and prayers are with his family and all his close friends. Mary and Kent Morgan



#### Richard D. Schreiber

I knew Richard as a friend, and attorney, during our parallel legal careers, practicing in St. Louis. Also through the John Marshall Club, of recent memory. May he Rest In Peace. Richard D. Schreiber



#### Mimi Burns

Richard was my friend and client over the past 15 years. I was scheduled to work with him this past Wednesday and was devastated to hear he had passed away. I feel so blessed to have shared a meal with him on Saturday and spend time with him. He showed me sweet, uplifting notes from one of his sons that stayed with him post-surgery. He spoke highly of all his children, their spouses and grandchildren. He was proud of all of you. Richard, I will miss our laughs together, your advice, your encouragement and sharing our faith. I know where you are now and am looking forward to seeing you again. Love, Mimi B.