



Richard D. Bast

October 29, 1928 - September 26, 2019

Richard “Dick” D. Bast passed away on Thursday, September 26, 2019 at the home of daughter, Kimberly Linton Martinez in Raeford, NC at the age of 90. His wife of 45 years, Marilyn and daughter were by his side. Dick was born in Tallula, IL on October 29, 1928, son of the late Jacob and Marie (Lenz) Bast.

Dick was raised on a farm in rural Tallula and graduated from Petersburg Harris High School in Petersburg, IL. He was a graduate of Blackburn College in Carlinville, IL, 1948 with an associate’s degree and on to University of Illinois, Springfield, IL, 1951 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Agriculture Education.

Dick taught vocational agriculture for 10 years at high schools in Indiana and Illinois, including Lebanon High School. He moved to Indianapolis and went to work in the heating and air conditioning business for Peerless Corp. He worked his way up from salesman to assistant general manager. Eventually, Dick returned to education and became Business Manager for the Western Boone School Corporation, also earning his Master’s Degree in Education Administration from Purdue University during this time. He also met his wife, Marilyn J. Kincaid Bast there. He married the love of his life, Marilyn, on June 15, 1974. Later, Dick became supervisor of Buildings and Grounds for Eagle Union School Corporation, Zionsville. Ultimately, Dick was working for the

state of Indiana at the time of his retirement.

During their 45 years of marriage, Dick and Marilyn enjoyed many places they travelled. They spent 18 years as “snow birds” in Brooksville, Florida at their second home “on golden pond” in the Wesleyan Village for 7 months of the year. When in the village, he and Marilyn volunteered for many activities and were honored as Volunteers of the Year.

Dick was known for his infectious laugh and being very social. He never met a stranger. He always believed in serving, whether it was for the various churches he and Marilyn attended or for public organizations. He was a member of the Lebanon Presbyterian Church for many years and served as an elder as well as heading many committees. He participated in a small prayer group there as well. He was an advocate for sharing the Word of God and was a member of The Gideons International Organization. He served as Vice President for several years of the Brooksville, Florida district.

He also was active in the Retired Teachers Organization, having served as President of both the Boone County and Brooksville, FL chapters. He volunteered for Boone County Meals on Wheels and was involved with the Boone County 4-H Program for many years. He was active with the Future Farmers of America (FFA) Organization during his teaching years.

Survivors include: His loving and devoted wife; Marilyn; three daughters: Patricia Gillam, Westfield, IN, Pamela Drummond, Wylie, TX, and Kimberly Martinez, Raeford, NC; one son: Douglas Linton, Frankfort, IN; one sister: Patricia Birlingmair, Lexington, IL; six grandchildren: Nicholas Smith, Brenda and Melissa Gillam, Dewawn Wiest, Crystal and William Drummond; two great grandchildren: Braelyn and Donny Wiest. Along with his parents, preceding his death were: two daughters: Infant, Brenda Lynn Bast, and Carla Linton Anderson; one brother: Kenneth Bast.

Visitation will be Saturday, October 5, 2019 from 11:00 am until 1:00 pm at Myers Mortuary in Lebanon, IN with services following at 1:00 p.m. Minister Steve Jagers will be officiating. Dick will be laid to rest at Maple Lawn Cemetery in Thorntown following services. Memorial contributions may be made to The Gideons International, American Diabetes Association, or The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society.

Cemetery Details

Maple Lawn Cemetery

Thorntown, IN 46071

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT 5. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Myers Mortuary
1502 North Lebanon Street
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Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Richard D. Bast*

November 27, 2022 at 01:43 PM



“ *RS lit a candle in memory of Richard D. Bast*



RS - October 04, 2019 at 04:39 PM



RS,

Thank you for remembering Dick!

Marilyn

Marilyn - November 06, 2019 at 04:57 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Richard D. Bast.*



October 03, 2019 at 10:45 AM

RH

“ Dick and I shared many events over some 45 years of fellowship. Our association and personal contact during those Indianapolis (Lawrence) years is cherished. My sympathy to all of the family. You and I have lost an unusual Christian for now but we have the assurance of meeting him again when our God calls us home.
Yours in Christ, Robert L. Hoffman

Robert L. Hoffman - October 02, 2019 at 02:56 PM

PD

Thank you for your kinds words, Mr. Hoffman. Dad cherished your friendship too, as did Pat and I; and many of those Indianapolis memories will sustain us until we see him again.
Much love, Pam

Pam Drummond - October 09, 2019 at 10:46 AM

BS

“ Betty Susong lit a candle in memory of
Richard D. Bast



Betty Susong - October 02, 2019 at 01:48 PM

KI

Betty,
Thank you for remembering Dick!
Marilyn

Kimberly - November 06, 2019 at 04:53 PM

IF

“ *Isidoro and Donna Basurto and Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Richard D. Bast.*



Isidoro and Donna Basurto and Family - October 02, 2019 at 12:45 PM

DB

“ *We were so privileged to have met Mr. Bast. He was so funny and could talk about absolutely anything. We will always hold his memory dear to our hearts. Our thoughts and prayers are with the family in this time of great sorrow. Kimberly, you were a great daughter and took such good care of your dad for many years. You were always there for him, you showed him how much you loved him daily. I'm sure no father could have ever been prouder than he was that you were his daughter. You will most certainly see him again in heaven.*

With love and prayers,

Isidoro and Donna Basurto

Donna Basurto - October 02, 2019 at 12:31 PM

KI

Donna & Isi,

Thank you for such kind words for my dad. He sure loved coming to your house and meeting all of you! He loved to sit on our porch and watch what was going on! He really liked to see Jay & Jonathan drive their cars! Our love to all of you!

Kimberly

Kimberly - November 06, 2019 at 04:42 PM

JK

“ I remember Dick first as a neighbor and running the neighborhood with Pam and Patty. Later, as a leader and mentor in our church - during my "formative" years. He was certainly an influence in my faith then and, as a witness in Christ, now. I am certain he occupies that "special place in Heaven," we have all heard about for all our lives. My prayers go out the Dick's family, especially Pam and Patty, and I shall raise him in my meditation.

John Knox - October 02, 2019 at 10:46 AM

PD

Thank you for your prayers and kindling memories of our Indianapolis neighborhood days, John. Those are cherished memories that Pat and I will hold close to our hearts until we see Dad again at that "special place in Heaven".
Much love, Pam

Pam Drummond - October 09, 2019 at 10:49 AM

KL

“ So very sorry for your loss.

Kathy Linton - October 02, 2019 at 10:45 AM

KI

Kathy,

Thank you for remembering my dad!

Kimberly

Kimberly - November 06, 2019 at 04:54 PM

LD

“ My thoughts and prayers are with you all at this difficult time.

Linda Darnell

linda darnell - October 02, 2019 at 10:18 AM

KI

Linda,

Thank you for your prayers. I remember you from my late sister, Carla's class! Your note is appreciated.

Kimberly

Kimberly - November 06, 2019 at 04:50 PM

CB

“ *Marilyn and family, I have such nice memories of Dick from many years ago. He was such a happy and funny guy. His laugh was wonderful! Prayers for peace and comfort.*

Cindy Bramblett Keyes and Bob - October 01, 2019 at 09:02 PM

KI

Cindy & Bob,

Thank you for your kind words of our husband/father. We appreciate your prayers.

Marilyn & Kimberly

Kimberly - November 06, 2019 at 04:50 PM

CY

“ *The Young family cherish our sweet memories of Uncle Dick, Aunt Marjorie, and their girls Pam Bast Drummond and Patty Bast Gilliam. His love for laughter and kindness will be a everlasting legacy for us.*

Cheryl Young - October 01, 2019 at 08:02 PM

PD

Thank you for sharing your kind words, Cheryl. Dad loved you and Bob - and especially enjoyed teasing you. His laughter is truly the legacy he left all of us.

All our love, Pat and Pam

Pam Drummond - October 09, 2019 at 11:01 AM

EF

“*Esther, Beth, Claire, Doug and families purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Richard D. Bast.*



Esther, Beth, Claire, Doug and families - September 30, 2019 at 07:07 PM