



# Donald "Dick" Richard Sykes

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**D**onald Richard "Dick" Sykes, 88, of Clinton, passed away, Tuesday, February 2, 2016 at Mercy Living Center North, Clinton. Memorial services will be held 11 AM, Saturday, February 13, 2016 at the First United Presbyterian Church, where a lunch will follow. Visitation will be held from 10:30 AM until the service hour at the Church. The Clinton Chapel Snell-Zornig Funeral Home & Crematory is assisting the family with arrangements.

Dick was born June 28, 1927 in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, the son of John and Susan (Birely) Sykes. He was a 1946 Morrison High School graduate. Dick had worked on the family farm and then worked as a carpenter with his brothers.

He was a very active member of 1st United Presbyterian Church where he was a Deacon and took care of the building and grounds. He enjoyed working in his church, traveling to Mogasheen resort, gardening and his church family and friends. He is survived by his sisters, Vivian (Milford) Place of Hayward, WI; Susan (Clayton) Cobb of Freemont, NE; Bonnie (Ted) Kuhnen of Prophetstown, IL; Donna (Leon) VanKampen of Morrison, IL and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, sister, Lela Haan and brothers, Kenneth, Robert, Ivan and William.

Memorials may be made to 1st United Presbyterian Church.

Online condolences may be expressed by visiting [www.snellzornig.com](http://www.snellzornig.com).



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SB

**Sonja Boyse Mennenga, Chris Boysen** posted:

My dad, Chris Boysen, and I send our deepest sympathy to your family during this time of sorrow. Dick was a special man to me. I first met him at my mother's funeral. He was so very respectful and polite to me during that time of sorrow. He always had interesting information to share with us at Wendy's. He and I had numerous discussions about organ music. When my daughter, Heidi, was visiting from Alaska, he was proud to show us the case he build at church around the trumpets for the organ. At Wendy's, I always gave him my frosty, and he would laugh. When I heard about his tumor, I called him in Iowa City Hospital. I asked him what I could do to help, and he said to pray. Special memories. He will be missed.

February 11 at 9:11 AM

DS

**Deb Smith** lit a candle in honor of Donald "Dick".

Was sad to hear of Dick's passing. My mother is his neighbor and I grew up pestering him...but he loved the company. He was a great man and will be missed by many. Deb Daly Smith



February 10 at 5:34 AM

DS

**Donnaj Schmitt** lit a candle in honor of Donald "Dick".



February 8 at 9:27 AM

RO

**Roberts** posted:

Bill and Bernadette Roberts would like to extend their deepest sympathy to Dick's family and friends. Dick did many projects at our home over the years. In addition to his excellent craftsmanship he was a very nice individual. He enjoyed talking and looking at Bill's book collection. He will be missed by all. Bill and Bernadette.

February 8 at 6:52 AM



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**Donnaj Schmitt** posted:

The family of Ray Myers would like to extend our heartfelt sympathy. Dick was a wonderful friend and frequent "coffee buddy" to our father, Ray Myers, who passed just one day after Dick. I truly believe that Dick was a special angel for our father, spiritually helping our dad to be at peace on his journey from this world. God bless, Donna Schmitt

February 4 at 10:29 AM



## **Memories only last if you share them**

Join us in honoring Donald "Dick" by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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