



Richard Harry Gebelein

May 27, 1933 - July 5, 2020

Richard Harry Gebelein, age 87, passed away peacefully on July 5, 2020 at Northeast Georgia Medical Center in Gainesville, GA. He was born in Philadelphia to Charles and Stella (Slocum) Gebelein and was the youngest of two children.

Richard grew up in Philadelphia and attended Girard College School for Boys. After school, he worked at Moore Products Company in Springhouse, PA as a Mechanical Engineer. He had a long and industrious career there for over 35 years and retired as VP/General Manager Sales and Engineering. In addition to his daytime work, Richard was Chairman of the Board of Supervisors for Montgomeryville, Township, PA and Police Commissioner for 16 years.

After retirement, he and his wife moved to Ocala, FL where he worked as a real estate agent and did community theater. In 2004 they moved from Florida to Georgia where they lived with his daughter in Braselton.

He was a trained operatic singer and loved plays and musicals. He had many leading rolls at Bucks County Playhouse, New Hope, PA and several well-known community theaters. Richard also enjoyed skiing, scuba diving and sailing.

Richard Gebelein is survived by his son Rick Gebelein and his wife Barb, daughter-in-law Cindy Gebelein, son Kenny Gebelein and his wife Amy, daughter Patti and husband Bruce Carniglia, 14 grandchildren, 10 great-grandchildren, and his beloved dogs Bandit and Rocky.

He was preceded in death by his wife of 56 years, Leonora, his son Steven,

and his brother Charles.

A Christian Burial will be held at Holy Cross Cemetery, in Yeadon, PA on August 10th.

Cemetery Details

Holy Cross Cemetery

626 Bailey Road
Yeadon, PA 19050

Previous Events

Christian Burial

AUG 10 (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Richard Harry Gebelein*

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“ *We only just learned of Rick's passing last summer. I first met Rick at Stage West in Spring Hill Fl when we were in "Today on Broadway." Later we were in "Taking My Turn" at Crystal River Playhouse. Rick was a force - a wonderful singer, and the consummate actor. He loved being in the spotlight. One of my best memories was when he donned tux and tails, wearing spats and Cat ears to be Bustopher Jones in a duet from "Cats" with my daughter, who was then 16 years old. Rick had a booming laugh, and a welcoming smile and was a friend and supporter to many of us in the theatre. He will be missed.*

*Marsha and John Reiniers
Spring Hill FL*

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“ *Rick could always be counted on to sing in the Hospice choir at the Remembrance services. I enjoyed singing beside him -- Will the Circle be Unbroken.*

Elisabeth McRae, RN.

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“ Rick began volunteering with Hospice of NGMC in 2012 working with our bereavement counselors sharing his lived grief experiences as a way to connect with and support others going through their own grief. This was valuable work but his real gift was working with other volunteers on projects. He always drew people in with his smile and friendly conversation. He even surprised us one year with his Santa outfit and routine. It was the hit of the Christmas project day. Over the past year since Rick had been unable to volunteer, other volunteers would frequently ask about him. Now, volunteers have seen the obituary and been calling our office asking with sadness, oh, is this our Rick? Our Rick. He was one of us. We will sadly miss him but keep the memory of his smile in our heart. I wish you comfort during this time. Carol Jewell, Volunteer Coordinator, Hospice of Northeast Georgia Medical Center.

Carol Jewell - July 22, 2020 at 05:21 PM