



Dr. Richard K. Myers

April 8, 1931 - December 19, 2023

Dr. Richard K. (Dick) Myers of Butler, PA, passed away peacefully on December 19, 2023. He was born in Quakertown, PA on April 8, 1931, the youngest of three sons born to Josephine (Rosenburger) Myers and Clarence Berringer Myers. He graduated from Quakertown Jr.-Sr. High School in 1949, then completed both BS and MS Degrees at Penn State University, and Doctor of Education (D.Ed) at the University of Pittsburgh. In 1960, he married his life partner and wife Phyllis Anne (Shannon) Myers.

He was initially employed as Psychologist I at the Pennsylvania Industrial School for Boys, located in Camp Hill. He then accepted a position with the Beaver County Public Schools, first as School Psychologist/Supervisor of Special Classes, then as Supervisor of Special Education. While in Beaver, he was appointed as the first Chairman of the Beaver County Mental Health--Mental Retardation Board. Dick next accepted a position at Slippery Rock University as Professor of Special Education, the position he held until he retired in 1990. He also taught at the University of Hawaii. He continued to work part-time at George Junior Republic as Educational Psychologist Consultant while maintaining a small private psychological practice. He retired completely in 2009.

Dick had been involved in professional state and national organizations, and local community groups, including The State Advisory Committee for Special Education and the Developmental Disabilities Council. He served as a Special Education Hearing Officer for the Bureau of Special Education for a number of

years. He also had been a member of The American Association on Mental Retardation and Council for Exceptional Children. He was a member of the Pennsylvania Psychological Association, having served as President of the School Division. Locally, he was associated with both PARC and MHA. He was a member of the Eureka Masonic Lodge and Syria Shriners.

Dick and Phyllis enjoyed reading, restaurant dining, cruise ship vacations, flea markets, antiquing, film, and casinos. He was preceded in death by his parents and brothers Lawrence and David. He is survived by his wife Phyllis Anne Myers. Arrangements are by the Young Funeral Home. According to Dick's wishes, there will be no viewing. The funeral will be private with interment in Greenlawn Burial Estates. Those wishing to contribute to a memorial fund may do so by sending a contribution to the Richard and Phyllis Myers Special Education Scholarship fund, Slippery Rock University Foundation at Slippery Rock University, Slippery Rock, PA; or also to the Gettysburg Foundation at Gettysburg, PO Box 4629, Gettysburg, PA 17325-9908; or to a charity of their choice.

Tribute Wall



“ Timothy J. purchased a sympathy card for the family of Dr. Richard K. Myers.



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