



Richard "Dick" Albert Firster

July 31, 1949 - December 5, 2023

ADRIAN- Richard "Dick" Albert Firster, 74, of Adrian, Michigan died Tuesday afternoon, December 5, 2023 at his home.

Dick was born on July 31, 1949 in Oil City, Pennsylvania one of five children to Theodore and Hazel (Culbertson) Firster. He graduated in 1967 from Cranberry Area High School in Seneca, PA and went on to serve his country in the United States Army from 1968 to 1971.

On March 30, 1974 Dick married his sweetheart, Kay Lynn Rupert, in Wyandotte, MI. During their 49 years together, Dick and Kay have raised three children and demonstrated to them what love looks like in a marriage. Dick has been a devoted husband and father, and a proud papa to his six grandsons.

Dick was a chemical operator and retired from Anderson Development. He was involved with the Lenawee County 4-H poultry program for over 30 years.

Dick helped out in many capacities from parent, volunteer, Poultry Barn Superintendent and then again as 4-H grandparent. His dedication and time spent with the program made a lasting impression on so many young 4-H members over the years. Dick enjoyed deer hunting and taking the annual family trip back to Oil City, PA to spend time with his extended family.

In addition to his wife, Dick, is survived by their children, Katie Cole (Scott Biehl), Jason (Danielle) Firster and Beth (Ty) Porter; grandsons, Evan and Wyatt Cole, Micah and Holden Firster, and Drew and Ian Porter; bonus family members, Jacquylne, Kaliegh and Drake Biehl, and Ayla Gray; siblings,

Beverly Patton, Donald Firster and Bruce Firster. He was preceded in death by his parents; brother, Robert Firster; great-nephew, Logan Reinsel; brother-in-law, James Patton and niece, Michelle Rupert.

A memorial service with military honors will be held on Saturday, December 16, 2023 at 2:00 p.m. at Wagley Funeral Home, Adrian with Rev. Larry Betz officiating. There will be a memorial visitation from 11:00 a.m. until the start of the service at the funeral home. Burial will be private at East Rome Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to the Lenawee County 4-H Council-Poultry Project. Online condolences and memories may be shared at www.WagleyFuneralHomes.com

Cemetery Details

East Rome Cemetery

Forrister Road
Adrian, MI

Previous Events

Memorial Visitation

DEC 16. 11:00 AM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Wagley Funeral Home (Adrian)
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Memorial Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Richard "Dick" Albert Firster.*



December 13, 2023 at 11:59 AM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Richard "Dick" Albert Firster.*



December 13, 2023 at 08:25 AM



“ *Our sympathy and prayers for the family. High school was an adventure for us all and we have good memories of Dick there. Enjoyed seeing him at the 50th class reunion a few years ago. Peggy and Ed Barrett, Jr.*

Peggy Barrett - December 12, 2023 at 09:14 AM



“ *Firster Family, So sorry to hear about Dick's passing. My family was a near cousins through the Culbertsons but I also knew Dick and his brothers at Cranberry High School. Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this time. Dan, Mary and Clark Wise*

Daniel A Wise - December 12, 2023 at 07:03 AM



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Richard "Dick" Albert Firster.*



December 11, 2023 at 09:48 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Richard "Dick" Albert Firster.*



December 11, 2023 at 09:24 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Richard "Dick" Albert Firster.*



December 11, 2023 at 10:03 AM



“ *American L. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Richard "Dick" Albert Firster.*

American L. - December 09, 2023 at 04:52 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Richard "Dick" Albert Firster.



December 09, 2023 at 04:52 PM



“ *Kay, Katie, Evan, and Wyatt, you are in my thoughts. I am so sorry for your loss. ~Kelly Cichy*

Kelly Cichy - December 08, 2023 at 01:54 PM