



# Harry Richard Stimson

March 16, 1945 - December 2, 2024

In Loving Memory of

H.R. "Dick" Stimson

Born: March 16, 1945

Departed: December 02, 2024

Even though "Dick" lived his life "As a lover not a fighter", he fought tooth and nail with his battle against Multiple Sclerosis. Harry Richard Stimson, 79 1/2, of Royal Oak, MI, died peacefully in Winter Park, FL on December 2, 2024 and deemed a winner for a life well lived by family and friends.

Dick was born on March 16, 1945 to Harry and Dorothy (Brickwedde) Stimson in Highland Park, MI. After he graduated from The University of Detroit Jesuit High School in 1963, he went on to attend Kent State University on a swimming scholarship. He rounded out his higher education at Oakland Community College and The University of Detroit.

A proud "Detroiter" he was employed at two iconic companies, Stroh Brewery Company and Faygo Beverages. Faygo allowed him to travel and learn about East of the Mississippi like the back of his hand. It also took his family and him to residence in Baldwinsville, NY where he loved to cross country ski in the woods, and Dover, DE where he spent as many weekends as possible on Atlantic beaches body surfing and shore fishing. He rounded out his career as a stockbroker for UBS/Paine Webber.

In 1968, Dick met his wife of 35 years, Carol Schoelch, on the campus of University of Detroit. Dick and Carol went on to have two children Kelly Marie (Uppleger) and H.R. "Rich" Stimson Jr.

Some of Dick's favorite things were barbecuing on his Weber grill, a good cigar, being

outside, socializing with friends, his dogs, inappropriate jokes, Clive Cussler novels, obsessing over his lawn, swimming, his high school alma mater, and striking up conversations with strangers. He was also a proud card-carrying member of The Detroit Rotary, National MS Society, NAMI, and Dicks of America.

In 2006, Dick moved to The Villages in Lady Lakes, FL. There he enjoyed scootering to happy hour in "The Square" and frequent visits to his local cigar shop.

Dick is survived by his five siblings - Jane (Mike Schweitzer) in Winter Park, FL, Cindy (Frank Brady) in Grosse Pointe, MI, Denise (Mark Andersen) in Cornelius, NC, Scott (Jeanne) in Davidson, NC, and Jeff (Anita) Chicago, IL. He is also survived by his daughter, Kelly (Don Uppleger) in Mills WY, son, Rich (Margi), and granddaughter, Haley in Birmingham MI.

Memorial visitation will be held on Monday, May 19, from 5 - 8 p.m. (Rosary and Sharing of Memories at 7 p.m.) at Wm. Sullivan & Son Funeral Directors, 705 W. Eleven Mile Rd. (four blocks east of Woodward), Royal Oak, Michigan.

There will be a public Remembrance Celebration on May 20, 2025 at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Royal Oak, MI at 9:30 a.m. with the Celebration Mass at 10 a.m. Burial at Acacia Park Cemetery May 21, 2025 at 11:00 a.m.. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to the National Multiple Sclerosis Society.

# Cemetery Details

## Acacia Park Cemetery

31300 Southfield Road  
Beverly Hills, MI 48025

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**MAY 19.** 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Wm. Sullivan and Son Funeral Directors-Royal Oak  
705 W. Eleven Mile Road  
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## Rosary and Sharing of Memories

**MAY 19.** 7:00 PM (ET)

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## In State

**MAY 20.** 9:30 AM - 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Mary Catholic Church  
730 S. Lafayette Avenue  
Royal Oak, MI 48067

## Memorial Mass

MAY **20**. 10:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Wm. Sullivan & Son Funeral Directors created a H.R. Dick Stimson Live Funeral Service at St. Mary Catholic Church in memory of Harry Richard Stimson*



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**Wm. Sullivan & Son Funeral Directors** - May 19, 2025 at 01:51 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Harry Richard Stimson.*



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