



Richard Lee Champion

June 13, 1936 - June 30, 2020

Champion, Richard L., of Webster Groves, Missouri, entered into rest, June 30, 2020, at the age of 84 years.

He is preceded in death by his wife Imogene, and his parents, Elmer Champion and Ada Anderson.

He is survived by:

Sons, Russell (Cheryl) and Robert (Kathryn)

Grandchildren, Austin, Laura, and Alyson

Niece, Shelly (John) Dwyer

And many other relatives and friends.

Rich was the life of the party. He loved the St. Louis Cardinals and the Blues. He enjoyed traveling throughout North America and Europe with his wife. He was a very organized, social, and caring person. He liked to grow flowers and garden and he never went anywhere without his Stetson Hat. He is fondly remembered and will be dearly missed by all who knew and loved him.

Visitation will be held on Wednesday, July 8, 2020 4:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. at CHAPEL HILL MORTUARY, 10301 Big Bend Road, Kirkwood, Missouri 63122. Mass will be held on Thursday, July 9, 2020 at 11:00 a.m. at Holy Redeemer Parish, 17 Joy Avenue, Webster Groves, Missouri 63119. Interment following Mass Services will be at Oak Hill Cemetery. Memorials to the American Heart/Stroke Association, 3816 Paysphere Circle, Chicago, IL 60674-0001. Family and friends can review and share stories, photos and condolences online at www.stlfuneral.com.

Cemetery Details

Chapel Hill Mortuary - Kirkwood

10301 Big Bend Road
Kirkwood, MO 63122
(314) 965-8228
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Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 8. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

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Funeral Mass

JUL 9. 11:00 AM (CT)

Holy Redeemer
17 Joy Ave
St. Louis, MO 63119

Graveside Service

JUL 9. 12:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Richard Lee Champion*

January 06, 2023 at 10:46 PM



“ *I got to know Richard when I drove for Sunrise Senior Living. We would go to his medical appointments and physical therapy. He did grumble a bit at times, but generally he was very friendly and cheerful. He was never without his hat, of course. For physical therapy sessions he was usually reluctant to go, but by the end of the session he was exceeding what the therapist was recommending. I will miss him.*

Mike Barnes

michael barnes - July 08, 2020 at 12:01 PM



“ *The Dottie Machado Family purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Richard Lee Champion.*



The Dottie Machado Family - July 07, 2020 at 05:02 PM

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Dottie Machado - July 03, 2020 at 05:28 PM

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I left out Al Spacek in description. He was married to Maggie Ruhl standing right of Zane Zancauske.

Dottie Machado - July 03, 2020 at 05:30 PM

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“ *Growing up on Denver Place, Webster Groves, Mo was an exciting, fun filled place to have adventures, play kick the can, tag, chew tar from the freshly poured street, walk the creek, climb trees, pick strawberries in Uncle Al's strawberry fields, and just be a kid. Richard, my cousin, was fun to be with. He loved snakes and soldiers. Grew up with a smile on his face. I loved him. Rest in Peace my dear cousin. Dottie (Sissy) Machado*

Dottie Machado - July 03, 2020 at 05:16 PM

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Dottie Machado - July 03, 2020 at 05:06 PM

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“ *Kim Ratliff sent a virtual gift in memory of Richard Lee Champion*



Kim Ratliff - July 02, 2020 at 12:56 PM

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“ *Kim Ratliff lit a candle in memory of Richard Lee Champion*



Kim Ratliff - July 02, 2020 at 12:55 PM

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“ *Richard was such a joy to be around. He brightened up the lobby with his laugh and the wonderful stories he would tell. He was always joking with staff and residents and was loved by all. Champ, or Cowboy will be greatly missed.*

With Sincere Sympathy

Kim Ratliff

Concierge Sunrise Senior Living Webster Groves

Kim Ratliff - July 02, 2020 at 12:54 PM