

Richard Leroy Mills

October 18, 1939 - September 11, 2015



Richard Leroy Mills (Dick) passed away at his home in Edgemont, Arkansas on September 11, 2015. Dick was born on October 18, 1939 in Topeka, Kansas to Philip and Marjorie Mills.

After graduating from Topeka High School in 1957, Dick attended Dartmouth College, Kansas University, and Washburn University from which he graduated in 1965. He served in the U .S. Army until 1967. While in Kansas, Dick worked as a Juvenile probation officer, served as Director of Rehabilitation Services for the Capper Foundation, and as Executive Director of the Community Resources Council. In 1973 Dick relocated to Orlando Florida where he was employed as the Executive Director of the Human Services Planning Council. While in Orlando

he earned a Master's Degree in Clinical Social Work from Florida State University and began working at Orange County Mental Health and Substance Abuse Center. Dick retired in 2000 after serving 16 years as the CEO of New Horizons of the Treasure Coast in Ft. Pierce, Florida. He was a lifelong fan of St. Louis Cardinal baseball and also a faithful fan of Kansas Jayhawks basketball. After retirement, Dick and his wife, Mollie, moved from Florida to Greers Ferry Lake, in Edgemont, Arkansas.

Dick is survived by his loving wife of 30 years, Mollie; daughters Audree Mills of Birmingham, Alabama; Jennifer Kline and her husband, Jim of Birmingham, Alabama; grandchildren Jack, Sam, and Lucie Kline also of Birmingham; stepchildren Clark Lewis of Vero Beach Florida; Ginny Lewis Radke and her husband, Peter, of Ottawa, Canada, and grand babies Henry and Mabel Radke of Ottawa. He is also survived by his dear sister, Patricia Petersen of Portland Oregon. Dick was preceded in death by his parents and his brother, Dr. Philip Mills, previously of Topeka, Kansas.

A celebration of Dick's life was held at Peace Lutheran Church on Saturday, September 19 at 2:00. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Peace Lutheran Church, PO Box 52, Edgemont, AR. 72044.