



Lyle "Dick" Matson

June 2, 1943 - May 1, 2022

Lyle Richard (Dick) Matson

Born Lyle Richard (Dick) Matson June 1943 to Lyle and Medora Matson in Marshfield, WI. Dick was the 2nd of 4 children. He was raised through high school in central Wisconsin on a family dairy farm founded by Great Grandfather Mathison and his wife, Andrena, immigrants from Oslo, Norway.

Following his military service and 2 years employment at Grumman Aircraft on Long Island NY, Dick settled in Wenatchee. Dick completed medical laboratory education at Wenatchee Valley College and University of Idaho. He owned and operated Medical Laboratory Services in Wenatchee until retirement in 2005.

Being a perpetual student and having a lifetime interest in aviation, Dick obtained a private pilot license in 1969. He purchased and restored a small 2 place airplane and with his wife, Yvette, flew various trips throughout the Northwest. After 20 years of enjoyment, finally delivering the airplane to its new owner near Kitty Hawk, North Carolina.

In 1970 and until the present day Dick built and flew radio controlled model airplanes as a hobby. In his earliest days of the hobby Dick helped establish what is now the Wenatchee Red Apple radio controlled model club located near the airport in East Wenatchee. Dick was also a participant in establishing

the "Land Owners Group" separate from the Model Club, and Dick penned the original by-laws under which that group functioned until selling and/or donating all his shares to the Red Apple Flyers.

Dick is survived by his Wife, Yvette, and daughter and husband, Katie & Jayme Reynerson and grandchildren Jax and Hazel of Chelan, two sisters, Kim Deale, East Wenatchee, and Sherry and Ron Poppe, Wenatchee. He is preceded in death by his parents and brother, John.

Dick dedicates the song Old Folks at Home by Chet Atkins to his friends and family and dedicates his favorite song Far Side of the Jordan by Johnny Cash and June Carter with love to his wife, Yvette.

Dick's life will be celebrated on Thursday, June 2nd at 2:00 PM at Jones & Jones – Betts Memorial Chapel.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life Service

JUN 2. 2:00 PM (PT)

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“ My wife and I moved to Wenatchee in 2019, I then joined the red apple flyers club, flying radio control airplanes. I bought a airplane hangar to store my airplanes and my hangar was next to Dick's. I spent many a day in his hangar learning more about RC airplanes and how to trim them for flying the correct way. Also how to look for problem areas in a new or used plane. We had many discussions about flying and how to trim airplanes in the air. He had me read a book called (stick and rudder.) It gave me a different perspective about flying that I never considered before. Dick was a very skilled flyer and builder. He would greet me by saying. hello, (you can call me Al). I never knew why he said that until someone sent me a video of the song, (you can call me Al) by Paul Simon. Dick was a good friend and mentor. Dick was very witty in a unusual way. He never stopped learning about new endeavors. He was always willing to help you. I will miss Dick ! May God receive Dick with open arms. Albert Huth (you can call me Al)

Albert F. Huth DC BCAA - May 10, 2022 at 10:54 AM