



## Richard N. Lamermayer

December 14, 1928 - December 20, 2024

Richard (Dick) N. Lamermayer, age 96, surrounded by the love of family, was peacefully called

Home to be with our Lord on Friday, December 20, 2024.

Dick was born on December 14, 1928, in Chicago. He attended St. Andrews grade school where his future wife was also a student. He noticed Jinny playing with neighborhood children and imagined that her warm and kindhearted nature would make her a spectacular mother someday.

While attending high school at DePaul Academy he began dating Jinny. After graduating from

Loyola University and completing his studies at Northwestern University Dental School he

served two years in the Navy. Dick and Jinny were married in 1955,

“Because,” he said, “I just cherished her heart!”

Retired Navy Captain Lamermayer began his career as a dentist traveling to Japan and the

Philippines aboard the destroyer tender USS Bryce Canyon. When he started his first

assignment his superior officers referred to him as “the boy dentist.”

At the end of his active-duty naval assignment Dick remained active in the reserves and continued his dental practice in Kenilworth, IL. His 46 years of dentistry included 6 years as a part-time dental instructor at Northwestern University Dental School. He retired from the Naval Reserves at the age of 60 and from his dental practice at age 70.

Dick, better known as “Doc” in the Scouting world, was the Scoutmaster of Troop 57 at Our Lady of Perpetual Help parish in Glenview, IL, for 14 years and helped guide twelve Scouts to the rank of Eagle during that period. He was a Vigil member of the Order of the Arrow, received the Silver Beaver award, and served as an instructor and course director for multiple Wood Badge training sessions for adult volunteers.

In his 50’s, Dick started running. A lot! Over the next three decades he completed 1362 races including 40 marathons, 90 half marathons, and numerous triathlons, becoming one of the first inductees into the Chicago Area Runners Association Hall of Fame. At some point he found time to become certified to measure USATF sanctioned road race courses. He ran his last glorious race at age 87.

One of his lifelong passions was birding. The 700+ bird species on his life list

often involved

driving cross-country with Jinny at a moment's notice to see a rare bird.

As a man of faith and ever the servant, Dick was a member of the Knights of Columbus, Holy

Angels food pantry volunteer, local election judge, and Habitat for Humanity volunteer. To fill in

the slow days, Dick and his gracious and loving wife, Jinny, were temporary care parents for 32

babies over a period of 12 years through Catholic Charities.

Dick was preceded in death by his wife of 64 years, Virginia (Carr)

Lamermayer; his parents,

Frank and Christl (Krünes) Lamermayer; a sister, Elizabeth Lamermayer; a grandson, Matthew

Conlin; three sisters-in-law, Joan Dickie, Patricia Spalding, Anne Carr; two brothers-in-law, Ron

Carr and Myrle Dickie; and his son-in-law, Paul Spink. In addition to his children below, he is

survived by brother-in-law Martin Spalding, Sr.

He is loved by his nine children, Richard (Jane) Lamermayer of Marshfield, WI, Elizabeth Spink

of Volo, IL, Therese (Pat) Conlin of Aurora, IL, Nancy (Jim) Landis of Cedar Rapids, IA, Kathryn

Lamermayer of Chicago, IL, Kristine Lamermayer of Aurora, IL, Steven (Emma) Lamermayer of

Aurora, IL, Paul Lamermayer of Fairfield, OH, and Linzie (Rachel)

Lamermayer of Aurora, IL;

twenty six grandchildren; thirty two great grandchildren; and many nieces and

nephews.

His children would like to thank dad for his constant love and support. He embodied dedication to family, servant leadership, a sense of adventure and travel, fascination with nature, healthy risk taking, being your best, concern for others, hard work, enjoying quiet time, and utmost devotion to faith and marriage.

His children would also like to thank the following extra special angels on earth who accompanied, cherished, and loved mom and dad in their later years: his caregiver, Ruth, his personal yoga instructor, Diane, and the yoga master, Jeff. Also, we would like to express our appreciation to those who cared for Dad at Ascension Mercy Hospital: the wonderful and generous, Dr. Dhodia, and the amazingly humble and compassionate team of caregivers during his final days.

Visitation will be held Sunday, December 29, 2024 from 2:30 PM until 6:00 PM at THE DALEIDEN MORTUARY, 220 North Lake Street Aurora, IL 60506, 630-631-5500.

Funeral services will be held Monday, December 30, 2024 at 10:00 AM from THE DALEIDEN MORTUARY; to Holy Angels Church at 10:30 AM; Fr. Dean Smith will celebrate mass with interment to follow at Mt. Olivet Cemetery.

Please visit our interactive website at [www.daleidenmortuary.com](http://www.daleidenmortuary.com) to leave condolences for Richard's family or sign the guest book.

Arrangements are being handled by THE DALEIDEN MORTUARY, 220 North Lake Street,  
Aurora, Illinois 60506. (630) 631-5500.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made in Dick's name to Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan

Endowment Fund, Northeast Illinois Council, Scouting America, 850 Forest Edge Drive,

Vernon Hills, Illinois 60061; or Society of St. Vincent dePaul, Holy Angels Parish, 180 S.

Russell Ave., Aurora, IL 60506; or Sister Paulanne's Needy Family Fund, Our Lady of Perpetual Help, 1775 Grove St, Glenview, IL 60035.

# Cemetery Details

## Mt. Olivet Cemetery

278 Ashland Avenue  
Aurora, IL 60505

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC **29**. 2:30 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

Daleiden Mortuary  
220 N. Lake Street  
Aurora, IL 60506  
(630) 631-5500  
daleidenmortuary@gmail.com  
<https://www.daleidenmortuary.com>

## Morning Prayers

DEC **30**. 10:00 AM (CT)

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## Funeral Mass

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DEC 30. 10:30 AM (CT)

Holy Angels Church  
120 South Lancaster Avenue  
Aurora, IL 60506

## Burial

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DEC 30 (CT)

Mt. Olivet Cemetery  
278 Ashland Avenue  
Aurora, IL 60505

# Tribute Wall



“ Daleiden Mortuary created a Tribute Video in memory of Richard N. Lamermayer



Daleiden Mortuary - December 27, 2024 at 09:39 PM

VH

*It was an honor knowing you and having you as our next door neighbor as well as your lovely wife and family. You will be missed but remember always. Vel & Lorenzo Herrera. Thank you for sharing the beautiful LIFE film.*

Velia & Lorenzo Herrera - December 28, 2024 at 09:45 PM

DV

*Sorry for your Loss Paul*

DON VIDOUREK - December 31, 2024 at 02:06 PM

NS

“ Uncle Dick was such a great guy. I remember always saying "What's up Doc?" when I first saw him. I have such great memories of our amazing NYE parties at Gram's. I remember eating too many cookies, college football, and him sleeping on Gram's three season porch no matter how cold it was. Wishing you all comfort and peace.

*Love, Tash*

Natasha Schoolman - January 07, 2025 at 07:00 PM

KI

“ Wishing all of you comfort and peace during this difficult time. I really enjoyed working for your father in the beginning of my dental career. He showed me what good dentistry really was. He was a great dentist and took good care of his patients and employees. I will never forget him. He was such a character! He'll always be in a special place in my heart.

Kim RDH

kim - January 04, 2025 at 07:31 PM

GF

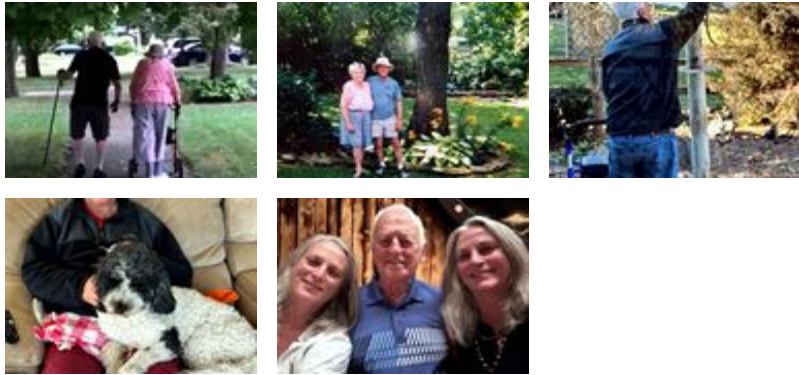
“ Greenbusch Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Richard N. Lamermayer.



Greenbusch Family - December 28, 2024 at 06:38 PM



“ 50 files added to the album Life Tributes



Daleiden Mortuary - December 27, 2024 at 04:35 PM

JW

“ John CA Hopkins- WES/MSR/friend purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Richard N. Lamermayer.



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**John CA Hopkins- WES/MSR/friend** - December 26, 2024 at 02:26 PM

JW

“ John CA Hopkins- WES/MSR/friend planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Richard N. Lamermayer.

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**John CA Hopkins- WES/MSR/friend** - December 26, 2024 at 02:26 PM

YA

“ Your Friends and Colleagues at AESSEAL purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Richard N. Lamermayer.



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**Your Friends and Colleagues at AESSEAL** - December 26, 2024 at 07:57 AM

YA

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**Your Friends and Colleagues at AESSEAL** - December 26, 2024 at 07:57 AM

TL

“ Travis & Amber Libbert purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Richard N. Lamermayer.



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**Travis & Amber Libbert** - December 25, 2024 at 04:05 PM

CH

“ Richard was a longtime friend . We travelled to hundreds of races together. He is one of the most memorable people I have known. We talked within the last two weeks.

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**carl hays** - December 24, 2024 at 02:23 PM

JO

“ Paul, such a beautiful and rich life your father lived. My condolences to you and your siblings.  
Joan Vail

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**Joan** - December 24, 2024 at 12:27 PM

CS

“ Sending condolences and prayers to and for Dick's Family. He was a great friend and one of the winningest members of the Niles West Oakton Runners Club. He greatly helped the NWORC to win the Chicago Area Runners Association Club Circuit Championship 17 out of 18 consecutive years. Everyone knew and respected Dick on the CARA Race Circuit. He was an inspiration to many of us. We will remember Dick in our prayers and at Christmas Mass.

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**Coach Pat Svage** - December 24, 2024 at 10:40 AM

GD

“ *I was one of his patients starting as a child and continued until he retired. He was known as the dentist’s dentist. A great guy.* ”

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**George Drake** - December 24, 2024 at 07:59 AM