



Richard E. "Dick" Miles

November 24, 1942 - December 16, 2025

A Celebration of Life Service for Dick was held on Friday, January 23, 2026 at 11:00 a.m. at the Holthus Convention Center in York, Nebraska. Pastor Tim Stacy presided over the Memorial Service.

It was Dick's wish to be cremated and a private Committal of Ashes will be held at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, memorials are suggested to the Cattlemen's Ball of Nebraska/Fred & Pamela Buffett Cancer Center Fund #01089390 at the University of Nebraska Foundation, P.O. Box 82555, Lincoln NE 68501-2555. Please make checks payable to the NU Foundation, include on the memo line or enclosed note that the gift is in memory of Richard Miles and provide the fund name and number. Please visit nufoundation.org/fund/01089390/ to make an online gift.

Memorials can also be made to the April Sampson Cancer Center in Lincoln, Nebraska.

On November 24, 1942 Richard Eroll "Dick" Miles was born in Berkley, California to Errol and Marjorie Miles while his father was in the military. Dick passed away on December 16, 2025 after a courageous battle with cancer.

After the family moved back to Nebraska, Dick graduated from Stratton High School in 1960. On August 4, 1964 Dick enlisted in the United States Navy where he spent two tours of duty in Vietnam. His mission was to defend the river boats, but in doing so was exposed to agent-orange. His two year tour ended July 28, 1968.

On August 10, 1968, he married Kareon Potter. To this union two daughters were born, Heather and Hilary. He instilled a hard work ethic into his daughters. Together they enjoyed many horse shows and activities as a family. He was always proud to watch his girls flourish inside and outside of the arena.

In June 1970, Dick graduated from the University of Nebraska- Lincoln with a degree in Animal Science. While there he was on the University Judging team, where he received high-point in the Denver National Stock Show.

The day after college graduation Dick went to work for American Stores Packing Company. After American Stores tried to put him behind a “desk” he resigned and on November 7, 1987 he started Miles Cattle Company.

On July 1, 1999 Dick married Ann Bedford Miller where he also gained three step-sons; Dan, Ryan and Tyler Miller. This same year Dick and Ann moved to Spring Lake Circle in McCool Junction where they built a home and many friendships.

In August 2008, Brady Trampe joined Dick in purchasing cattle. Dick enjoyed many of his cattle buying trips, especially those involving his special friend RL Cauble from Tucumcari, New Mexico.

Over recent years his dear friend, Steve Mack moved to Spring Lake where they became close friends. Steve was always there to help with anything, most recently his care. Their favorite story telling spot was the back porch of the “bunk” house.

A few of Dicks proudest moments besides his family was receiving the Quilts of Valor in November 2024 in recognition of service to his country. Dick greatly appreciated when he received a special award from the York-Hamilton Cattlemen for his 50 years of dedication to the cattle industry. He was also very proud of serving 16 years on the Cattlemen's Ball of Nebraska Executive Board.

Dick loved rodeos, cattle & horses, fishing, boating, Husker athletics, and sharing a Coors light with many family and friends. He looked at all of the relationships and friendships he made in the cattle buying business as a source of joy and not a job.

Dick and Ann enjoyed traveling to many places; however, their greatest enjoyment came from their family, especially the large gathering the night before Thanksgiving. They also loved supporting their eleven grandchildren's activities and events.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Errol and Marjorie Miles. He is survived by his wife, Ann, daughters, Heather, (Todd), Hadley & Bryce Teut; Hilary, (Clay) Jud, Josie (Colton Hervert), Tate Kuchera; step-sons, Dan, (Sarah), Hannah & Hailey Miller, Ryan, (Lesley), Reagan & Beau Miler; Tyler, (Megan), Mason, Milo Miller; Sister, Linda & husband Ron Gerdes, Nephew Craig Gerdes and Niece Cari & Allan Mielsch. Dick's

(emotional support pekingese dog), Lizzie.

He will be greatly missed by numerous other family members and friends.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

JAN **23**. 11:00 AM (CT)

Holthus Convention Center

3130 Hoken Avenue

York, NE 68467

<https://holthusconventioncenter.com>

Tribute Wall

JS

“ *Rest in Peace my good friend Jim Deveny*

James Schnase - March 05 at 01:02 PM



“ *26 files added to the album Flower Pictures*



Farmer & Son Funeral Home - January 23 at 01:58 PM

RM

“ *Ray and Linda Manning purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Richard E. "Dick" Miles.*



Ray and Linda Manning - January 21 at 06:27 PM

LF

“ *Lisa, Monica, Darcy and families purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Richard E. "Dick" Miles.*



Lisa, Monica, Darcy and families - January 20 at 07:19 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Richard E. "Dick" Miles.*



January 12 at 04:37 PM

DM

“ Dick was a good man! Good friend! I will always remember the after sale outings with Dick, Yost, and Kenny. Those will always be some of my best memories! We all learned a lot from Dick. This picture was from one of our after sale dinners at the Driftwood in Ogallala. Thank you for sharing him with us. ~Desiree & Matt Mikoloyck



Desiree Mikoloyck - December 24, 2025 at 12:24 AM

DS

“ Dale Sutter purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Richard E. "Dick" Miles.



Dale Sutter - December 23, 2025 at 08:29 AM

HA

“ Dick was probably one of the most honest and easy going cattle buyer I ever hauled cattle for. He always had a smile on and treated truck drivers with respect.

Hambone - December 21, 2025 at 01:15 PM

KH

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Karen Hickman - December 19, 2025 at 03:43 PM

KM

My fondness memory of Dick was on a ride out to the farm to spend the night. It was dark and He drove as fast as he could over those hills to scare me. There wa a song on the radio by Trini Lopez called Lemon Tree. That song has been stuck in my head for over 60 years.

“Lemon tree is very pretty & the lemon flower is sweet. But the fruit of the poor lemon is impossible to eat....

Rest in peace cousin, Kurt

Kurt Miles - January 24 at 05:44 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Richard E. "Dick" Miles.



December 19, 2025 at 10:45 AM



“ Eric Blase Family & Blase Trucking planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Richard E. "Dick" Miles.

Eric Blase Family & Blase Trucking - December 19, 2025 at 10:45 AM



“ Dick and i went to grade shool together in a two room country school taught by his mother. He always got more than his share of punishment. Happy trails my friend.

Dennis Egle - December 18, 2025 at 09:00 PM

DK

“ sorry

retired

electrician Dick was The good client

client

Dennis Kornelson - December 18, 2025 at 12:37 AM

BW

So sorry for the loss! Dad, Spike and Dick, if one couldn't come up with something funny, the other would. Dick is gonna be missed deeply! We did alot of business together over the years. Never a dull moment with Dick around!

Brad Welton - December 18, 2025 at 08:18 PM

KH

The photo posted above is of my Dad, Stan and Dick from 1956 in Akron, CO where our families met 1/2 way for get togethers between Stratton and Denver.

As the much younger cousin who always tried—though not always successfully—to follow the “boys” everywhere, I hold many special memories from those earlier years close to my heart. Some of my fondest recollections are of times spent at the farm or the main house in Stratton, where all sorts of adventures awaited the “city” kids from Denver.

I vividly remember being quizzed by Uncle Eroll and Dick, both possessing quick wit and sharp senses of humor, on why I didn't like garden-fresh tomatoes even though I enjoyed ketchup and spaghetti sauce.

Karen Hickman - December 19, 2025 at 05:16 PM

JS

Ann, so sorry to hear of your loss. Dick was a true gentleman who's opinion I respected. Connie and I always enjoyed time with you and him at the lake.

Jeff Shotkoski - January 27 at 02:47 AM