



Richard Allen Luchsinger

November 22, 1917 - January 17, 2019

Mr. Luchsinger was born November 22, 1917 in Moline, Illinois to the late Jacob Charles Luchsinger and Florence Anna Carlson Luchsinger. He graduated from high school and started working for the John Deere Company from 1937 to 1942. He was a veteran of WWII, enlisting in the US Army on February 14, 1942 and serving in the Sixth Army, 81st Unit in Chicago keeping daily records of troops and using rudimentary computers to match civilian skills to military staffing demands.

He met his lifelong sweetheart Margaret Jeannette Holley while in Chicago and they were married from 1944 until her passing in 1999. After the war, Mr. Luchsinger went to New York City (NYC) to work for IBM. He was a lifelong employee of with IBM from 1944 until 1985 mostly in NYC. In the mid 60s the family settled in Stamford Connecticut from Westbury NY. In the early 1970s the family moved to Buenos Aires, Argentina and then Rio de Janeiro in Brazil. The family re-settled in Stamford CT after returning from Latin America. He thrived in all of the different cultures he experienced around the world and made friends everywhere he went.

On his 100th birthday, when asked what he had learned in his life, his immediate response was, "Always make friends, never enemies". This leaning continued to follow him to retirement in Asheville where he continued to enrich his life with friends at Arden Woods and as the secretary of the NC Carver's

club. He became an accomplished wood carver and won several awards including having a piece at the NC Arboretum. He was always a supporter of original artwork and loved the art community of Asheville.

If it was sports, he enjoyed it (especially Duke basketball) ! He was also a voracious reader and a sharp observer of politics, business and people. He was active on church building committees, and homeowner associations.

He was an astute Scrabble player and made each day count as an opportunity to learn something new.

In addition to his parents and his wife, he is predeceased by his brothers Chuck, and Jack Luchsinger and his sister Velma Stanley.

Mr. Luchsinger is survived by daughter Julie Carlson and her husband Fred of Fairfield Glade, TN and son Ted Luchsinger and his wife Deborah White of Fairfield, CT. He is also survived by four grandchildren, Amanda Walsh (Brendan), Michael Luchsinger, Jacqueline W Luchsinger and Brian W Luchsinger; two great grandchildren Landon Luchsinger and Andrea Walsh. Marge's brother Jay Holley, many nephews and nieces and friends, will also miss him.

A small memorial is planned at Ardenwoods, 2400 Appalachian Blvd. in Arden N.C. on Saturday Feb. 2 at 2:30pm EST.

He supported MemoryCare of Asheville for the guidance he got for his wife.

The family requests that you remember Mr. Luchsinger with a donation in his name to MemoryCare of Asheville. <https://interland3.donorperfect.net/weblink/weblink.aspx?name=E334990&id=6>

Tribute Wall



“ *Richard Allen Luchsinger*

October 07, 2023 at 11:15 AM



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Julie Carlson - January 28, 2019 at 02:45 PM

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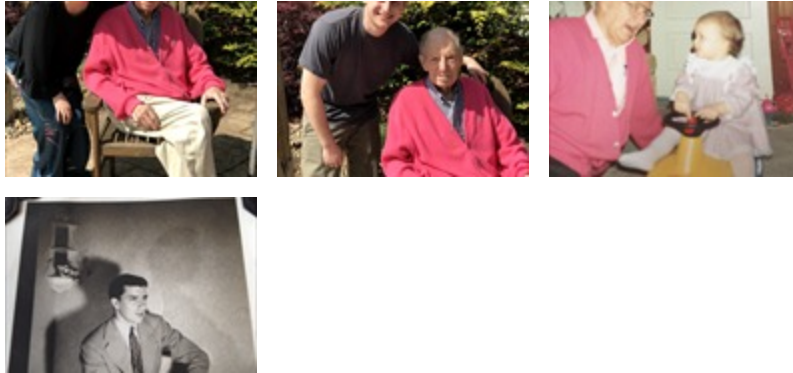
“ I have many happy memories of Marge and Dick when I married my late husband, Hugh Kramer in 1983 and we lived in New Canaan, CT. At that time Marge was an outstanding realtor and fabulous hostess. Dinner parties and Open Houses at their home and ours were always lively with great conversations about Latin American politics and life! Dick and Hugh worked together in Brazil, Argentina and New York for IBM World Trade. We later visited them several times in NC and he stayed with us in Boca Raton, FL . Dick E-Mailed , called and was so good about keeping in touch and I treasure two carvings he made for us! Hugh died at age 87 in April 2015 after a fabulous 32 yr marriage. Ironically in 2016 when sending Christmas cards I realized Dick lived in the same life care facility as the older brother of a special friend of mine whom I had begun to date .Jim Boyd was leading a Bible study and had become friends with Dick. It was so wonderful to reconnect with Dick whose love and devotion to his wife, love for his family and nurturing Spirit was always an inspiration. He will remain in my heart as a really good person and long time special friend!

As a social worker/ therapist who once wrote a volunteer and family training resource for the Alzheimer's Unit of a facility where I worked in Stamford, CT I especially appreciate that chapter of Dick's life ...the daily visits , the carving and support and positive appreciation he gave staff and other devoted spouses. I am a huge believer in an afterlife and want to believe Dick and Marge are at last reconnected in some spiritual divine way and are at peace. Blessings , Marsha Endahl Kramer

Marsha Endahl Kramer - January 27, 2019 at 11:28 PM

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“ *Miss you Grandpa xxx*



Jacqueline Luchsinger - January 27, 2019 at 08:18 PM

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“ *Poppi was a good man who loved life and his family. Our thoughts and prayers are with the family.*

Charles & Corry

charles capps - January 27, 2019 at 11:34 AM

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“ *The lost of a loved one is very painful. The bible helps us to understand how God and Jesus feels about death. When Lararus died the account says "that Jesus gave way to tears "(John 11:33, 35) May your family find comfort in God's promise of the resurrection. (John 6:40) Which assures us that we will see our loved ones again.*

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With grandchildren, Jacqueline and Brian Luchsinger.

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Morris Funeral Home - January 21, 2019 at 09:32 AM

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Part of a carving quilt donated by the WNC Carvers Club to the Asheville Arboretum. In the library, worth a visit...

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