



Richard W. Stermer

June 3, 1935 - March 8, 2025

Richard W. Stermer, 89, of Marengo passed away on March 8th, 2025 at Northwestern Huntley Hospital in Huntley, IL.

He was born in Chicago, Illinois on June 3rd, 1935, the son of Walter and Louise (Matschke) Stermer.

Richard was a 1957 graduate of Northwestern University, and a proud brother of the Alpha Tau Omega fraternity. He worked as a computer programmer until retiring in the year 2000, taking on the role of papa to his first-born grandson. Richard was a devoted husband to Jeri, celebrating just short of 60 years of marriage. A loving father and grandfather, who shared his passion for all things outdoors, horses, and fishing. He never turned down a road trip, and after retiring, took the scenic drive out to California. As a faithful member of Zion Lutheran Church, Richard volunteered his time through counting the offerings and attending service.

In his later years, the beloved past-times of Richard included spending time with his family, researching genealogy, completing various yard projects, riding his lawn mower, and collecting numerous papers.

Richard is survived by his wife, Geraldine; his children, Alyson Stermer, Jennifer (Mike) Trotz, and Richard Scott (Jackie) Stermer; and his grandchildren, Ethan, Zach, Amanda, and Hunter.

He was preceded in death by his parents, and his sister, Elaine Koehler.

Visitation will be held on Thursday, March 13th at 9:00 am until the time of service held at Zion Lutheran Church, 412 Jackson St. Marengo, IL. Funeral Services will be held at 11:00 am at the Zion Lutheran Church with burial following the service at Marengo City Cemetery in Marengo, IL.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Richard's name may be directed to Zion Lutheran Church.

Cemetery Details

Marengo City Cemetery

101 N East Street
Marengo, IL 60152

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 13. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Zion Lutheran Church
412 Jackson Street
Marengo, IL 60152

Service

MAR 13. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Amanda Trotz - March 11, 2025 at 10:54 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Richard W. Stermer.

March 10, 2025 at 01:01 PM

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“ Farewell my friend. We had some good laughs and talks back in the day, along with some fun fishing and hunting trips. See you on the other side.

Steve Weskerna - March 10, 2025 at 02:13 AM