



Richard F. "Smiley" Wagner

September 22, 1937 - April 20, 2021

Richard F. "Smiley" Wagner, 83, of Hampshire passed away Tuesday, April 20, 2021, in Elgin.

He was born Sept. 22, 1937, in Chicago, the son of Marie Kautz and Michael Wagner. He was raised in Spring Grove by his grandparents and graduated from Richmond High School in 1956, and then attended the University of Wisconsin Whitewater. Smiley married Bonita "Twid" Swanson on Feb. 26, 1965. They operated the Chick-N-Dip in Hampshire for 42 years.

Surviving is his wife, Twid; sons, Richard A. Wagner of Elgin, and Bradley J. Wagner of Malta; 4 grandchildren, Brandon Wagner of Malta, Courtney Wagner of Malta, Alyssa Wagner of Malta, and Jocelyn "B" Wagner of Elgin; and a great-grandson, Joseph.

He is preceded in death by his parents; a brother, Herb Wagner; and 2 grandchildren, Dylan Wagner, and Nicole Keding.

Private Burial of Cremains will be on Monday, April 26 at the Hampshire Center Cemetery. There will be no visitation.

Memorial contributions in Smiley's name should be directed to the Burlington-Hampshire Food Pantry, c/o P.O. Box 651, Hampshire, IL 60140.

Cemetery Details

Hampshire Center Cemetery

17N002 Harmony Rd
Hampshire, IL 60140

Tribute Wall

DJ

“ *R.I.P. Smiley. My condolences to Twid, Brad and the rest of the family and friends.*

Darrel Johnson - April 22, 2021 at 07:51 PM

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“ *Loved Family gatherings at the Dip. Sending Love and happy memories to the whole Family!*

Amy Jenkins - April 22, 2021 at 12:05 PM

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“ *Enjoyed working with this man while working at the Dip in my high school years. You had to appreciate his sense of humor!!! Him and Twid were quite the duo. Made work fun. Lisa Sweet*

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