



# Richard C. Wildfong

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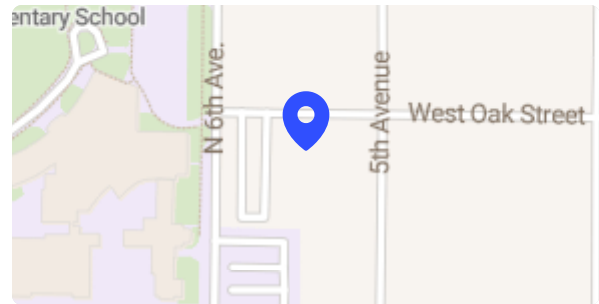
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**M**r. Richard Charles Wildfong, age 71, passed away surrounded by family after a long battle with cancer on Tuesday, April 16, 2019. He was born on October 15, 1947 to Samuel and Mabel (Dipple) Wildfong in Muskegon. Rich was drafted into the US Army and served his country honorably while in Vietnam. A lifelong resident of the area he married the former Janet Hiler on August 26, 1967 in Hesperia. Rich enjoyed spending his time walking, riding bikes, reading and holding hands with his wife. He coached many of his children's sports team and liked watching sports. He was loved by everyone and was always there when you needed him. Family meant everything to Rich, and he cherished the time spent with his grandchildren. Rich and Janet were active members of Fruitport Bethel Baptist Church. Rich is survived by his wife of 51 years, Janet; children, Richard (Laurie) Wildfong Jr, Matthew (Trina) Wildfong, Timothy (Tracy) Wildfong and Joylynn Wildfong; five grandchildren, Alyssa, Haley, Matt Jr, Devlynn and Cassidy; brothers, Robert (Judy) Wildfong and Terry (Pat) Wildfong; sister, Eileen (Craig) Homan; brother-in-law, Bill Rumsey; sister-in-law, Della Wildfong; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his granddaughter, Mallory; parents, brother, Larry Wildfong; and sisters, Karen Rumsey and Denise Wildfong. A Memorial Service will be held on Monday, April 22 at 11AM at Calvary Church (213 W. Oak St., Fruitport, 49415). Visitation with the family will be one hour prior to the service, from 10-11AM. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to American Cancer Society. Arrangements by The Lee Chapel, 6291 S. Harvey St., 49444, 231-798-1100. Please sign the family's online guestbook at [www.sytsemaf.com](http://www.sytsemaf.com).



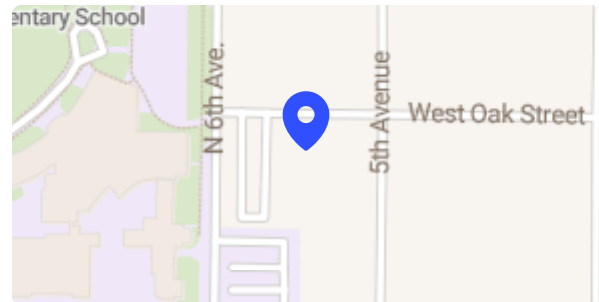
## Visitation

- 📅 **Monday**, April 22, 2019
- 🕒 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM ET
- 📍 **Calvary Church**  
213 W. Oak St., Fruitport MI 49415



## Memorial Service

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**Tom And Katlin Dykstra** posted:

It was a Beautiful service.

April 22 at 9:16 AM



**Ginger Wolffis** lit a candle in honor of Richard.

Dear Jan, This is the day we have rehearsed in our minds so many times, that of saying "Good Bye" to Rich. Your journey thru the cancer has been a rollercoaster ride of hope and despair. You both faced it all with enormous courage and faith in our Heavenly Father. As you said, "Rich never did like rollercoaster rides." He is settled now. Met with open arms. Holding your precious Mallory! May God Bless and Comfort all of you. You truly have known the love of a wonderful man! Blessings, Ginger & Roger



April 22 at 5:44 AM



**Anonymous** sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Wildfong family.



April 19 at 5:58 PM



**Eric & Dot Wiggin** posted:

Rich was a godly friend with a big heart. When I was not well, and needed someone to drive me to the Detroit airport to fetch my wife home, Rich not only drove me there, but insisted on using his own car for the trip. Jan, Dot and I will remember you and yours in our prayers. Eric Wiggin

April 18 at 3:55 PM



**Sandie Duliban** posted:

A family thought: three cousins (Sandie, Bruce and Dick), all the same age,,, Dick was always the sane one! We will meet again in love and laughter soon! Love you Dick as always.

April 18 at 11:58 AM



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**Sandie And Patsy** sent a Florist Choice Bouquet to the Wildfong family.



April 18 at 11:54 AM



**Bernita Colthorp** posted:

We will always remember Rich for his gentle listening smile with his sweet, quiet spirit. It was always to us, a sign of his love for our Lord Jesus Christ.

April 18 at 7:55 AM



**Anonymous** sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Wildfong family.



April 18 at 7:52 AM



**Jerry And Darlene Ryan** posted:

We have such good memories of walking life's spiritual path with you all. Richard's wisdom, patience and faith in the Lord is a lasting legacy to everyone he touched. We will always remember his smile because his eyes smiled too. May God's grace sustain you in all the days ahead. We love you.

April 17 at 3:41 PM



**Laura (Laughlin) Mullen** posted:

My favorite soccer coach. He had a love for the game and instilled it on us. Patient and kind and gentle with all of us girls. A Great Man. I count myself as one of the lucky kids who got to know him and learn from his examples. ❤️

April 17 at 3:06 PM



**Anonymous** sent a With Distinction to the Wildfong family.



April 17 at 12:27 PM



# Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Richard by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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