



## Mr. Richard P. Chalupa

December 27, 1937 - December 9, 2019

Mr. Richard P. Chalupa, of North Dighton MA, passed away on Monday, December 9, 2019. Born in Norwood, PA, on December 27, 1937, the son of the late Joseph and Marion Cowell Chalupa, he graduated from Springfield High School. In 1959, he graduated from Carnegie Mellon University with his Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering. Richard went on to further his education and earned his master's degree from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in 1964. He married his loving wife of almost 54 years, Sabine, nee Wendschuh, and settled in Pittsfield, MA. Dick and Sabine lived in Pittsfield until 2014 when they moved to North Dighton.

Richard worked in the defense systems branch of General Electric as the Training System's Program Manager for 32 dedicated years, until his retirement in 1991. He was the owner of Small World Travel in Lenox for ten years.

Dick was extremely active in the Pittsfield community. He was a member of the German American Club for 25 years, the GE Elfun Society, a lifelong member of the Berkshire County American Society of Mechanical Engineers, and a member of Zion's Lutheran Church. Richard enjoyed golfing, bowling, scuba diving, skiing, and football in his younger years. Later in life he and Sabine traveled to many places, visiting family and enjoying cruises throughout the Caribbean.

Besides his wife, Sabine, Richard is survived by his children, Nancy Muri, Klaus Chalupa, David Chalupa, Andreas Chalupa and their spouses; his 6 grandchildren, Richard and Jeffrey Muri, Olivia and William Chalupa, Sydney and Samantha Chalupa; and his many nieces and nephews in the United States and Germany. Richard was predeceased by his siblings, Joseph Chalupa, Jr., Janet Dodd and Lois Chalupa.

### Funeral Notice:

A memorial service for Mr. Richard P. Chalupa will be held on Saturday, December 21, 2019 at 1 p.m. the Rehoboth Congregational Church, 139 Bay State Road Rehoboth, MA 02769. Burial will be at a later date. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Alzheimer's Association in care of the Dwyer-Wellington Funeral Home, 220 East Street, Pittsfield, MA 01201 in his memory. Donations CANNOT be made online, but may be made through the Dwyer-Wellington Funeral Home.

# Events

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**DEC**   **Memorial Service**                      01:00PM  
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Rehoboth Congregational Church  
139 Bay State Road, Rehoboth, MA, US, 02769

# Comments

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“ Dear Sabina and family, I have fond memories of our vacations together in Maine when our kids were young. And I enjoyed working with Dick at GE in the Training Programs. He was a true friend and he will be missed. We both remember past Christmas parties and get-togethers. Our thoughts and prayers are with you. Bill and Linda Engle

**William Engle** - December 18, 2019 at 10:26 AM

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“ Dear Sabina and children, We were sorry to read of your loss of Dick. We always enjoyed talking to him at the Lutheran Church! We're sure you will miss him but he is in a better place! Our thoughts and prayers are with you.  
Walt and Barbara Pickwell

**WALTER and Barbara** - December 17, 2019 at 10:20 AM

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“ Stacy Vilao lit a candle in memory of Mr. Richard P. Chalupa



**Stacy Vilao** - December 16, 2019 at 09:30 AM

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“ I can see his happy smile, hear his chuckle and treasure the memories of his kindnesses he showed our family. He was so very proud of his family ... and he so loved being on Fair Haven Bay. He certainly enjoyed many pleasures and much love in his lifetime. May his family find great peace and comfort knowing he is being welcomed home.  
Nancy VanWie MacDonald

**Nancy MacDonald** - December 15, 2019 at 11:34 PM

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“ Sabine- Ray and I extend to you and your whole family our deepest sympathy. Dick was such a nice guy. Ray and he worked together for many years. We go back a long ways - to when our kids were born. This is a sad time for you, but he is at peace now. May you all have peace and love in your hearts, and be comforted with all the memories you have to share.

Linda Fischer

**Linda Fischer** - December 13, 2019 at 05:17 PM

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“ So sorry about the passing of your wonderful dad. He always had a great smile and jolly eyes, infectious laugh, and great comments. The adoration he felt for your mom was really wonderful. He will be missed, but will be remembered so fondly.

Love, The Rostami crew

**angela rostami** - December 13, 2019 at 02:34 PM

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“ Nancy and Family,  
So sorry to hear of your dad's passing. Please let us know if there is anything we can do to help you thru.

John and Vi Scanlon

**John Scanlon** - December 13, 2019 at 10:22 AM