



When tomorrow starts without me and I'm not there to see,
 If the *sun should rise* and find your eyes all
 filled with tears for me.
 I wish so much you wouldn't cry the way you did today.
 While I'm thinking of the many things we didn't get to say.
 I know how much you love me,
 as much as I love you,
 and each time you think of me I know you'll miss me too.
 But when tomorrow starts without me please try to understand,
 that an *Angel* came and called my name
 and took me by the hand.
 She said my place was ready in heaven far above,
 and that I'd have to leave behind
 all those **I DEARLY LOVE.**
 But as I turned and walked away, a tear fell from my eye,
 for all my life I always thought I didn't want to die.
 I had so much to live for, I had so much to do.
 It seemed almost impossible that I was leaving you.
 I thought of all the yesterdays, the good ones and the bad,
 I thought of all the love we shared and all the *fun* we had.
 If I could re-live yesterday,
 I thought just for a while,
 I'd say goodbye and kiss you and maybe see you smile.
 So when tomorrow starts without me, don't think we're far apart,
 For every time you think of me, I'm right here in your **HEART.**

In Loving Memory Of Howard "Dick" Wedel

Born to Hazel (Duffy) and Howard Wedel
 November 8, 1938 ~ Hardin, Montana

Returned to His Heavenly Father
 November 14, 2023 ~ Missoula, Montana

Funeral Services

Tuesday, November 21, 2023
 10:00 am MST / 11:00 am CST
 St. Michael and All Angels Church
 Cartwright, North Dakota
Luncheon to Follow at the Community Center

Officiating

Reverend Kim Fox

Military Honors

American Legion Post 114
 United States Air Force Funeral Honor Guard

Casketbearers

Andrew Oliver Alishka Gusky Brianna Gusky
 Richard Wedel Rick Russell Andy Link

Music

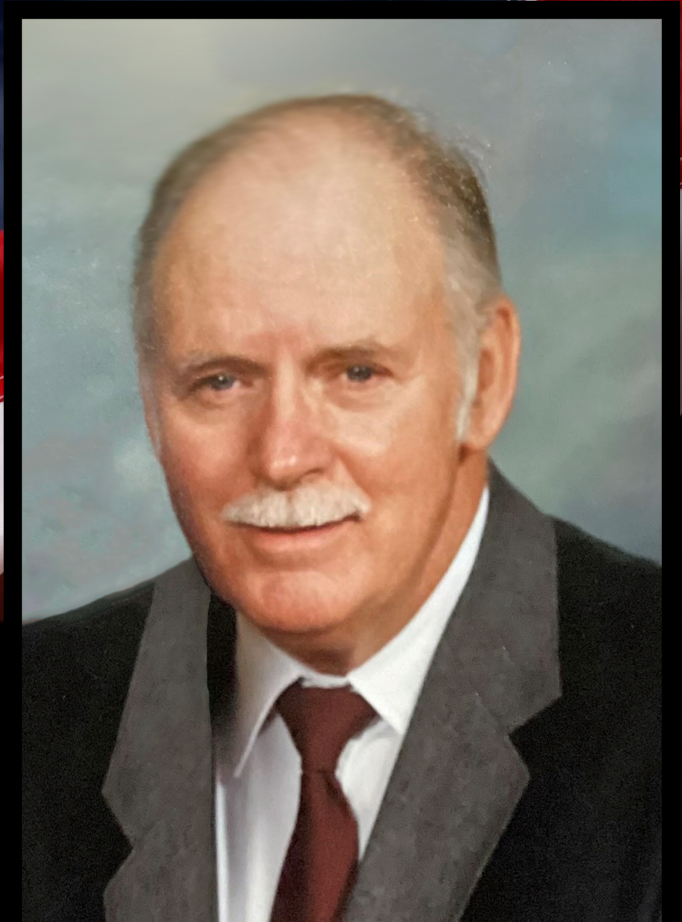
Ellen Croy

Final Resting Place

Yellowstone Point Cemetery
 Cartwright, North Dakota

Arrangements By

Fulkerson Stevenson Funeral Home
 Sidney, Montana



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Howard Richard (Dick) Wedel was born to Howard and Hazel (Duffy) Wedel, in Hardin, Montana on November 8th, 1938. He graduated from Polson High School with the class of 1956.

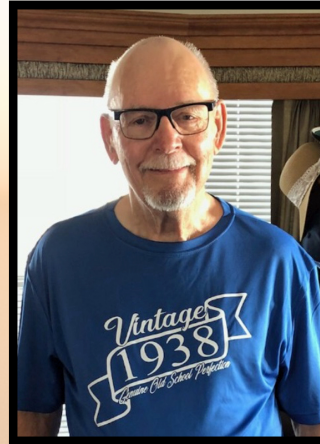
He married Diane Lucero. From this union had two children, Richard and Beverly.

Later he married Delores Sauter and had his daughter, Kathleen.

Dick served in the Marines from 1955 - 1965. During this time, he was stationed in California (29 Palms and Camp Pendleton), Hawaii, Japan, and Billings, Montana. Dick transferred to the Air Force and served from 1965 until his retirement in 1976. During his time in the Air Force, he and his family were stationed in Turkey, Colorado, Johnston Island, Montana, Utah, California, Taiwan and Texas. Dick worked in Radio and Television Communications and as a recruiting officer.



Dick met the love of his life, Aone Sanderson and her children Aleta and Kirk, in Billings, MT. They got married on November 1, 1969. Shortly after, Dick adopted Aleta and Kirk and they raised their three children.



After retiring from the military, Dick and his family settled in Missoula, MT. There he was the manager/insurance auditor and inspector for Jensen & Moore Insurance which later brought another move, this time to Rapid City, SD. He also had a sideline business called the Sportsman's Pub.

In 1983 they moved to Aone's family farm in Cartwright, ND where along with farming the land he maintained his job as an auditor having offices in Williston, ND and Glendale, AZ. He also did crop adjusting, worked beets with the neighbors, and started D&A Steel Buildings. Dick also held positions in the Farmers Union.



Dick loved to golf, bowl, hunt, shoot pool and spend time with his family. And, some of his favorite memories are from his travels to Arizona with Aone where they would spend the winter months.

In 2000, Aone was diagnosed with Multiple Sclerosis. Dick became her primary caregiver. He showed compassion and

unconditional love through all of their challenges, never skipping a beat. They were, and will forever be, partners and soul mates through and through.

In 2010, Dick and Aone moved back to Missoula, MT to be closer to their daughter Aleta and two of their grandchildren, Alishka and Brianna.

Dick was always cool, calm and collected. His sense of humor could make anyone smile. The things he did for his loved ones were invaluable. He was truly the best husband, dad, and grandfather anyone could ask for. Dick's last days were spent at home celebrating his 85th birthday with loved ones.

Dick is preceded in death by his wife Aone, his parents Howard and Hazel Wedel, his sister Carol and brother David. He is survived by his step-sister, Sheelia Miller; children Aleta Rae Link (Andy), Kathleen Rae Russell (Rick), Kirk Duane Wedel, Richard Wedel (Mavis) and Beverly Peterson (Hayward); and his numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

