

Richard "Dick" Hoffman

December 7, 1924 - February 23, 2011

Richard (Dick) Truxal Hoffman died suddenly Wednesday, February 23, 2011 at the age of 86. A loving and devoted man he is mourned by his wife of 63 years Dorothy M. Hoffman (McDowell), and children – Christina, Kathryn, Dick Jr. (Johni) and Barbara Holmes (Ted) and his grandchildren Allie, RJ , Courtney and Trey (Di) and Great Grandchild Jeni.

He is also survived by two sisters Charlotte Fennell & Joanne Frye. He was predeceased by his brothers Keith, Kenneth, William and Robert.

After earning a Masters degree while an assistant coach and former player at West Virginia University, Dick devoted 47 years of his life to the people who attended Rancocas Valley Regional High School as a coach, teacher and guidance counselor, helping many find their path through the years of becoming a mature and responsible adult. He continued to mentor and befriend them as they became leaders in their own right. He loved the community as well as the country he defended as a Seagoing Marine on the Rochambeau in the Pacific during World War Two and beyond. He also served as an Admirals Guard in Philadelphia upon his return to the states But first and foremost, he loved his family, both far and near. Family reunions with his brothers and sisters were a highlight of his life.

Outside of school and coaching Dick had many other interests and activities.

During the 1950's he was head of Junior Camp in Medford Lakes and in 1959 he served on the YMCA Board of Directors and the Lumberton Board of Education. In 1963 he was a Deacon in the First Presbyterian Church. He also served his community as Recreation Director for Lumberton Township. In 1979 he received the NJ Interscholastic Coaches Association Honor Award and in 1983 was inducted into the South Jersey Coaches Hall of Fame and in 1991 the RV Sports Hall of Fame. During 1995 he was on the Physical Therapy Advisory Board for Memorial Hospital. He spent many summers traveling to visit college campuses so that he had a firsthand knowledge of the schools he recommended to his students.

Dick's passing has left a large hole in the life of many and he will be sorely missed but never forgotten as the lessons he taught were life lessons that will be carried and implemented forever. His family will always carry him in their hearts and minds, they hope others will do the same. Their love and devotion mirrored his and is magnified many times over. Life will go on, yet never be the same. We miss you!

The viewing will be held on Thursday, March 3, from 7-9 PM at the Perinchief Chapels, 438 High St., Mount Holly. Service and funeral will be Friday March 4 at 11:00 at the Funeral Home. Interment will follow in Evergreen Cemetery, Lumberton. In lieu of flowers, the family asks that contributions be sent to a football scholarship fund at RV, checks Payable to RVRHS c/o Robert Sapp, 520 Jacksonville Rd., Mount Holly, NJ 08060 with a notation for Richard Hoffman or to Hose Co. #3 304 Alexander Avenue, Greensburg, PA 15601-2828.

Tribute Wall



“ *Richard "Dick" Hoffman*

October 29, 2022 at 11:57 AM



“ *Richard "Dick" Hoffman*

October 29, 2022 at 09:53 AM



“ *Not sure who this is going to but I went to school with Barbara and my husband and I would like to send our deepest sympathies.*

Lucky and Kate Mohn###imported-begin###Kate Mohn###imported-end##

March 04, 2011 at 03:58 PM



“ *My heart felt condolences to the Hoffman family. Coach Hoffman was truly a unique man. It was an honor to have known him and to have been one of his students... He used to call me "Little Eke"!!! I'm sure him & Coach Gordon are already exchanging old stories!! May God's loving arms surround his family & friend at this time of sorrow.*

~ God Bless ~###imported-begin###Debbie Ekey Chamberlin###imported-end##

March 03, 2011 at 04:46 PM



“ Deepest sympathies to coach Hoffman's family and friends. He was a mentor to me and will never be forgotten. RVRHS class of 1962. Love and Peace##imported-begin##Matthew Quay##imported-end##

March 02, 2011 at 04:07 PM



“ I am deeply saddened to hear of Dick's passing. I worked with Dick from 1961 -1967 at Rancocas Valley Reg. H. S. As a starting teacher Dick taught me many lessons I used during my 39 year career. I have only fond memories of him and his sense of humor. He influenced many generations of students and his memory with certainly live on. My sincerest condolences to his family on their loss.##imported-begin##Samuel F. Maczko##imported-end##

March 02, 2011 at 01:22 PM



“ One of the best men I have ever had the pleasure to know. His mentoring and guidance to me while growing up was and even more now greatly appreciated. Mr. Hoffman's family is in my thoughts and prayers.##imported-begin##Bill Worrell##imported-end##

March 02, 2011 at 12:10 PM

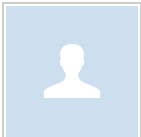


“ I had Mr. Hoffman for senior year PAD (Problems of American Democracy). It was a required course for all seniors and I believe that Mr. Hoffman was the only PAD teacher, so Mr. Hoffman was a part of the lives of all RVT RHS graduates. He was a popular teacher, liked by all students. Nobody ever misbehaved in his class or wised off to him. He was the boss and everyone accepted his authority. He had a loud booming voice that dominated the classes. I liked him and was sorry to hear of his passing. My condolences to his wife and family.

Carol Pancko Grant
RVRHS class of 1962
19 Crown Hill

Atkinson, N.H. 03811##imported-begin##Mrs. Carol Pancko Grant##imported-end##

March 02, 2011 at 09:42 AM



“ I am so sad to hear of the passing of Coach Hoffman. He was a wonderful role model who made a deep impression on countless students at RVRHS. My thoughts and prayers go out to his family and many friends.##imported-begin##TED ORVOLD (RVRHS 62')##imported-end##

March 01, 2011 at 12:45 PM



“ A great Coach and mentor - and a true gentleman. He will be missed by all and our prayers go to his family and friends##imported-begin##David Peters##imported-end##

March 01, 2011 at 11:33 AM



“ One of the greatest men I ever had the pleasure to know..I'll miss him ..My prayers to the whole family.##imported-begin##dennis ekey##imported-end##

March 01, 2011 at 10:16 AM



“ Dick Hoffman's presence motivated those who knew him to strive for perfection. With quiet and unassuming dignaty he motivated all of us to be better. He has left us, but will never be forgotten.##imported-begin##Steve Meltzer (RVRHS "62")##imported-end##

March 01, 2011 at 07:41 AM



“ Coach Hoffman was a "no nonsense" teacher, friend but most remembered a coach. He taught us respect, not only of ourself but for others. He taught self confidence and he knew what you could do and would push(or kick your butt) until you did it and did it right. His door was always open and he always loved to sit and chat just to see how you were making out with your life and future. When I was a sophmore he came down looking for "volunteers" for the Varsity squad. "need someone big & dumb" and in the same breath.."Warren, you'll do". Our love to Mrs Hoffman and family. We pray that we will all meet again and sit down and chat once again.##imported-begin##Bill & Lynn Warren Sr.##imported-end##

February 28, 2011 at 06:24 PM



“ *My heart goes out to all the family I know you were a close bunch. Mr Hoffman, one of the greatest men I have ever met. Rest in peace coach.##imported-begin##Mike Nixon Sr##imported-end##*

February 28, 2011 at 12:15 PM



“ *There are not enough words to express our sorrow on the passing of our dear friend. Our sympathy to your family on your loss. We will fondly remember the times together at the shore and his quick wit. The Davenport family remembers him fondly as a colleague and gentleman. God Bless You, Dick . Love Angela and Art (Davey) Davenport##imported-begin##Angela and Arthur Davenport & Girls##imported-end##*

February 27, 2011 at 06:57 PM



“ *Our Love and Prayers to the Hoffman family.*

Mr Hoffman was a legend in his time.

He will be sadly missed by everyone.

All our love, God Bless.

Veronica and Edward Brennan##imported-begin##Veronica Swain Brennan##imported-end##

February 27, 2011 at 02:16 PM



“ Was lucky enough to meet "Coach Hoffman" back in the early days at RVRHS. That's the early 50s. He was one of those "student advocates". He was always good for a laugh or a piece of advice that would stand the test of time.

Rest, old friend/teacher/coach, and thank you.

My condolences to his family.##imported-begin##Homer Felknor##imported-end##

February 27, 2011 at 01:18 PM



“ Didn't have you as a teacher or guidance counselor, but saw you constantly at RV fro 1970-1974. You always had s smile on your face and a kind word. May you rest in peace. I'm sure you and Mr. Gordan will have many stories to tell.##imported-begin##Jill (Rockhill) Lucas##imported-end##

February 26, 2011 at 06:09 PM



“ My prayers are with the family . Mr Hoffman was a great teacher !! He will be missed but never forgotten.##imported-begin##Linda Schuyler Orangers##imported-end##

February 26, 2011 at 04:31 PM