



Richard Vernon Cassidy

July 27, 1928 - November 8, 2025

Cassidy, Richard V. "Dick"

Richard Vernon Anthony. "Dick" Cassidy, 97, of Coon Rapids, Minnesota, passed away peacefully at home, surrounded by the love of his family. A devoted husband, father, grandfather, and great-grandfather, Dick lived a long life filled with faith, family, and his lifelong love for baseball.

Dick is survived by his loving wife, Janet Cassidy, his former wife, Polly Shaw Cassidy, mother of his eight children - Kevin, Colleen, Kurt, Carrie, Kyle, Claudia, Collette, and Cathleen. He was a proud grandfather to 20 grandchildren and a cherished great-grandfather to 8 great-grandchildren.

Born and raised in Minneapolis, Dick was one of six siblings-Fran, Sis, Trish, Pat, and Don. Baseball was his lifelong passion. He played in the minor leagues and went on to coach Legion and high school baseball. Some of his most meaningful seasons were spent coaching his three sons. His long-time commitment to the sport was honored when Patrick Henry High School named its baseball field after him.

Dick rarely missed a chance to support his children and grandchildren, attending their games and cheering with pride. He lived with optimism, humor, and generous spirit, leaving behind a legacy of love and encouragement that spans generations. He will be deeply missed by all who know him.

Funeral Service will be held at 11am on Monday Nov. 17th. (visitation 1 hour before) with a luncheon to follow at St. Stephen's Catholic Church 525 Jackson St in Anoka, MN. 55303.

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 17. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Stephen's Catholic Church (Anoka)
525 Jackson Street
Anoka, MN 55303

Mass of Christian Burial

NOV 17. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

St. Stephen's Catholic Church (Anoka)
525 Jackson Street
Anoka, MN 55303

Tribute Wall



“ *Divine Light was purchased for the family of Richard Vernon Cassidy.*



November 15, 2025 at 01:23 PM



“ *Dietz family and Wanless family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Richard Vernon Cassidy.*

Dietz family and Wanless family - November 15, 2025 at 01:23 PM



“ *My thoughts and prayers are for all of you. You were so lucky to have all of these years to make and have all those memories you will all share as time goes on and laugh about and maybe cry about but they will be special. He is in the arms of angels and he is telling them to watch over all over each of you*

Judie Weinzetl

Judie Weinzetl - November 13, 2025 at 05:22 PM



“ *<https://youtu.be/6jXrmAKBBTU?si=SuwCS6XaXmlyo6mY>*

Heather Ramos - November 13, 2025 at 08:04 AM

HR

“ I'm so grateful for the memories of Richard making his children happy 😊. Especially his number one colleenie! 💕💕 The joy on her face listening to his birthday song every year was priceless 🎂.

Having memories of my spiritual momma being loved by an earthly dad is a treasure 💕. It showed me the Father's love for us (1 John 3:1) and has helped me heal.

Richard's love for God and his children has flowed into their hearts and out to many (John 13:35). What a legacy to leave.

May Richard rest in the arms of angels (Psalm 91:11-12), his work here done (2 Timothy 4:7). Well done, good and faithful servant (Matthew 25:21) 🙏.

All my love,

Heather Marie

Heather Ramos - November 13, 2025 at 08:01 AM

CC

“ My father was and is the love of my life .. he was the epitomy of the word Peace!! His gentle, kind and ever so loving heart made me the person I try to be daily and I try to mold my life into those qualities he shared with all of us and all that knew him. I will try to carry on his contagious smile and kind heart in every way that I can in honor of him!

Collette Cassidy - November 12, 2025 at 02:40 PM

DM

“ Dick live a Life of Memorable moments Always a smile & Whistling Pure Class ~ A True Northside Treasure 💕💕

Dave & Marianne - November 12, 2025 at 11:21 AM

DS

“*Dick and Glen Gostick were my American Legion baseball coaches back in 1958-60. Dick was a great guy and teacher of the game who made it fun to play. Thanks for the memories, Dick! RIP.*

Doug Stay - November 12, 2025 at 08:46 AM