



Richard "Dick" Werner

November 7, 1940 - April 13, 2025

Richard (Dick) Werner, age 84, passed away from pancreatic cancer on April 13, 2025, surrounded by family, and the knowledge that he was well-loved by family and friends. Preceded in death by Clem (Father) Johanna (Mother) and David (Brother). Dick grew up in Illinois but spent most of his adult life in Minnesota where he had several successful careers. He graduated from the University of Illinois with a degree in pharmacy, and opened his own pharmacy shortly after moving to Minnesota. Later in life, he became a long-term care facility owner/administrator, and operator of the Frontier Saloon at the Minnesota State Fair for over 40 years. Dick was known to "collect" friends he considered family wherever he went-at his lake house, at his Maui Hill timeshare, at his facility, and at the Frontier.

Dick and his partner Rose Jameson loved to travel and share adventures with their many friends, whether crossing the country to attend a final four college basketball game or hosting friends/family at their Maui "home". Dick was an admirer and collector of art and during his travels Dick would often find the "perfect" sculpture or painting or sign to hang up at home or at the Frontier Bar.

Dick was deeply proud of his family-Rose, son John (JoAnne), grandchildren Neal (Brianna), Sara (Matt) Carlson and Chad (Paola) and great-grandchildren Vito, Lana and Nina; and he was blessed they could all spend

time with him during his last weeks in hospice care. Dick will be greatly missed by his immediate family and the dozens of friends he considered family.

Dick's wish was for any donations to be sent to St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital.

A Celebration of Life will be held in the future to share stories, laughter and love. One last time stop by the "World Famous" Frontier Bar at the State Fair this summer to raise a glass in honor of Dick.