Richard Herbert Carmichael, 72

Richard Herbert Carmichael, age 72, of Brooklyn, passed away at his home on Friday, November 25, 2016. A celebration of life service will be held at 2:00 p.m. with a visitation to follow until 5 p.m. on Sunday, December 4, 2016, at Michael J. Muratt Community Center, Brooklyn, Iowa, with Chaplain Dwayne Potter officiating. Burial will be at 11:00 a.m., December 2, 2016, at the Iowa Veterans Cemetery, Van Meter, Iowa. A memorial fund has been established. Kloster Funeral Home is assisting the family with arrangements.

Richard is survived by his wife Robin, three sons Jacob Melinda) Chandler of Grinnell, Charles (Hannah) Hurt of Brooklyn, and Robert Julian of Iowa City; two daughters, Hollie (Ben) Kalher of Cedar Falls and Jessica Miller-Julian (Kevin Doty) of Grinnell; two siblings, Robert Carmichael of Brooklyn and Karen Karr of Roche, Missouri; ten grandchildren, Mason, Olivia, Sophie, Alexis, Taylor, Emma, Madison, Alaina, Aubree and Kattagena. He was preceded in death by his parents, a son Brock Miller, a brother-in-law Gary Goodrich and a sister-in-law Jessie Carmichael.

Rich was born September 1, 1944, in Brooklyn, the son of Kenneth and Ruth Davidson Carmichael. He graduated from BGM in 1962. Following graduation, he attended the University of Iowa and graduated on February 4, 1967, with a B.S. He served in the Air Force ROTC Program and received his private pilot’s license. Rich entered the Air Force and attended the pilot training program at Vance AFB, OK. Operational assignments included: Clark AB, Philippine Islands; Ubon AB, Thailand during the Vietnam War flying combat missions over Cambodia, Laos, South and North Vietnam; Luke AFB, Arizona as an Instructor Pilot in the F-4 Phantom all-weather supersonic fighter aircraft. After over eight years in the Air Force, Rich began farming with his father southwest of Brooklyn in the Bear Creek Township. He served as the president of the Poweshiek Water Association board of directors for 7 1/2 years from the beginning of the association into the early phases of construction.

He married Robin Chandler July 7, 2007, at the Grace United Methodist church in Brooklyn. Rich was a member of the Brooklyn Ruritans staying active in community affairs. He enjoyed vacationing with his family, especially camping and campfires. He loved deer hunting with his wife and playing sequence with Karen and Gary. Rich enjoyed his time taking care of his farm and spending countless hours with family.

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