
Richard Voss

Voss, Richard 70 June 05, 1944 May 03, 2015 Richard Henry Voss passed away Sunday, May 3, 2015. He was a gentle man who loved his family, friends, teaching and coaching middle school students, baseball, golf and travel. Richard was born June 5, 1944, in Portland, and led an enviable life. He was drafted out of Wilson High School in 1962 by the New York Yankees and played as a pitcher for several years before joining the U.S. Army Reserve and eventually returning to college, graduating with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Education and master's degree in counseling from Portland State University. Upon his return to college, he met his wife of 46 years, Susan. He was hired by Gresham-Barlow School District and taught eighth grade social studies at Dexter McCarty Middle School and Gordon Russell Middle School for 32 years until his retirement in 2002. Richard held a strong commitment to his students, shaping and challenging their young minds. "Mr. Voss" was well known among his students as a favorite teacher. He will be greatly missed by his loving family, many friends and those fortunate to have been in his life. He is survived by his son, Jimmy; daughter, Rachel; and four grandchildren who think the world of their very own big friendly giant "Poppy."

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