



In Memory of **Richard Lack**

January 16, 1933 - January 1, 2017

Richard Vernon Lack, age 83, passed away at his home in Lubbock Texas surrounded by his family on Sunday, January 1, 2017. Born in Tacoma, Washington. He went on to graduate from University of Puget Sound with a degree in Business Administration and University of Washington where he earned a Master's degree in Accounting. His professional credentials were that of CPA and CPCU. Dick and his sons also re-established the Wendy's franchise in Lubbock in 1987. Prior to that, they owned all of the Wienerschnitzel restaurants here in town.

He was married to Barbara Breedman for 53 years, who preceded him in death. Together they had three sons and a daughter. Dick was born in a family of meager means and swore his family would never live like that. He accomplished this by hard work. He became very successful rising to be President of multiple companies and accomplishing things in business that had never been done before him. He was honest and would never take advantage of a soul. Dick made sure his family always was well taken care of financially. As a young man, Dick was born club footed and overcame this handicap and went on to play professional baseball for the Baltimore Orioles. An injury to his throwing arm ended his career. His Alma Mater Washington Huskies, played in a bowl game the day before he passed away.

In 2012 he married Linda (Smith) who survives him along with her son and daughter, Walter and Rebecca. Linda took great care of Dick in his final years,

providing him with love and companionship. Last Christmas, Linda gave all the children a reproduced picture of Dick in his baseball uniform which was the most prized gift of the Lack family holiday celebration.

A successful business man, Dick and his family lived in several states, and his career even brought him to England for a few years where he was CEO of an Insurance company. Besides sports, his interests included reading Christian books, politics and taking care of his pool at his home in Ransom Canyon. Nothing pleased him more than seeing his children and grandchildren swimming in the pool and enjoying the beauty of the life and home he had built on the edge of a cliff in Ransom Canyon.

He is survived by his wife Linda Lack, sons Scott (Lenina), Eric, Mark (Latisha) and daughter Vicki (Ryan); and grandchildren Amy, Richard, Scoti, Sarah, Clint, Rance, Claire, Garrett, Eric, William, Jordan, Paris and London.

Despite his sometimes outwardly gruff nature, he had a warm heart and was always willing to help those in need when he was made aware of a situation in which he could be of assistance. In his businesses and in all areas of his life Dick used hard work and never quitting to succeed. He used to say that many were smarter and had things come easier to them none would ever out hustle him. Dick used this philosophy of hard work in every area of his life. He enjoyed discussing business with his family and friends. He also volunteered his skill to churches to help them get their finances in line.

A Memorial service will be held today, Friday January 6, at 10:00 am at Oakwood United Methodist Church. The family will greet friends at the church today at the time of the service. Online condolences may be offered at

www.resthavenfuneralhome.com.

Arrangements under the direction of Resthaven Funeral Home & Memorial Park, Lubbock, TX.