



Richard Lee "Dickie" Nichols

July 2, 1929 - August 14, 2013

Richard Lee "Dickie" Nichols, 84, of Delmar, died Wednesday, August 14, 2013 at the Delaware Veterans Home in Milford, where he had resided for the past 5 years.

He was born July 2, 1929 in Delmar, a son of the late Howard Beauchamp Nichols and Mildred Johnson Nichols.

Dickie, as he was known by all who loved him, proudly served his country in the U.S. Army from 1954 to 1955. He retired in 1991 after many years of service as a machine operator for the DuPont Company in Seaford. He dedicated much of his life to the Delmar Volunteer Fire Department, where he served as an active member for 60 years. He will be remembered for his sense of humor, who loved to get a good laugh out of family and friends. He also enjoyed sitting on his front porch on State Street, watching the cars go by and waving to everyone.

He is survived by his wife of 60 years, Nellie Anne (French) Nichols; a sister, Ann Ring (Richard) of Delmar; a brother, Fred Nichols (Joyce) of Seaford; a brother-in-law, Dean French (Betty); a sister-in-law, Mable Lee Ball (Donald); special nieces and nephews, Donald Ball (Sherry), Dawn Sard (Don), Tamara Eckleberry (Dan), Terri Lynn Tice (Allen), Randy French, Donna Shaka (Craig), Linda Seefried (Luke), Beth Kimmey (Eric) and Rev. Robert Ring; and great nephews who were like grandsons to him, Justin Ball and Michael Sard. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a brother, Howard Johnson Nichols.

The family would like to extend a very special thank you to the staff of the Delaware Veterans Home in Milford for their wonderful care and compassion they showed to Dickie and his family.

A fireman's funeral will be held on Saturday, August 17, 2013 at 11:00 a.m. at Short Funeral Home in Delmar, where family and friends may call from 10:00 to 11:00. Interment with military honors will follow the services at St. Stephen's Cemetery in Delmar.

Memorial contributions may be made in his memory to Delmar Volunteer Fire Department, P.O. Box 243, Delmar, Delaware 19940.

Arrangements are in the care of Short Funeral Home in Delmar. Online condolences may be sent to the family by visiting www.shortfh.com.

Cemetery Details

St. Stephen's Cemetery

State Street
Delmar, DE 19940

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 17. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Short Funeral Home
13 East Grove Street
Delmar, DE 19940
(302) 846-2525
info@shortfh.com

Service

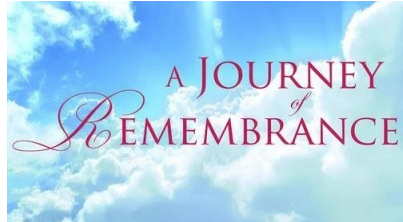
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Tribute Wall



“ *Short Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Richard Lee "Dickie" Nichols*



Short Funeral Home - August 14, 2013 at 12:00 AM

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“ *I'm sorry to hear of Dickie's passing, it was a joy to see him over the years with his beaming smile. His wife was so dedicated in visiting him and feeding him icecream on her many visits ! My condolences to his wife and family, he ceratinly touched many lives in his brief stay with us. His DVH family already misses him and surely will miss the many visits by his wife ! May God Bless and meet your many needs in this time of sorrow !*

*Chuck Bower
Maint. Mechanic at DVH*

Charles Bower - August 17, 2013 at 04:30 PM

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“ I remember Dickie on his first day at DVH , He had such a great smile I always enjoyed talking to him when I would pass by over the last 5 years. I was so sorry to learn of his passing. My condolences go out to his family and most of all Mrs. Nichols whom I got acquainted with over the time he was at DVH. He will surely missed by all who knew him.

Kevin Beard
Former DVH maintenance
Seaford De.

kevin beard - August 16, 2013 at 08:40 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Richard Lee "Dickie" Nichols.



August 15, 2013 at 09:45 AM



“ Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Richard Lee "Dickie" Nichols.



August 15, 2013 at 09:36 AM