

## **Ronald Richard Suchanuk**

Ron was born September 30, 1941, to Richard and Stella (Winarski) Suchanuk in East Chicago, Indiana.

He attended high school at East Chicago Washington High and Morton High in Hammond Indiana. He joined the United States Army in 1959, where he honorably served for four years. His

service took him to tours in Korea and Thailand. Once out of the service, he started his 30 year career with American Steel Foundries Indiana Harbor Works and also met his wife of 50 years Rudene Kaiser.

Ron and Rudene relocated to the Black Hills after falling in love with the area while visiting their daughter and her family who were stationed at Ellsworth Air Force Base. Ron enjoyed spending time in Deadwood with his wife and watching his grandsons sporting events. He was so proud of his four grandsons and his two great granddaughters. He enjoyed looking for "finds". No discarded or lost coin would be passed up. He had a heart of gold and a love of animals that was passed on to all of his descendants.

Ronald Richard Suchanuk died Tuesday, March 14, 2017, at the Department of Veteran's Affairs Medical Center at Fort Meade.

He is survived by his wife, Rudene, son, David (Marsha) Suchanuk; daughter, Beth (Ron) Weaver; grandchildren; Edward and Zachary Suchanuk, Taylor (Marissa) and Tanner Weaver; two great-grandchildren, Adalynn and MacKenzie Weaver; sister, Betty Sudovich; brother, Raymond (Leilani) Suchanuk; sisters-in-law, Virginia Suchanuk, Celeste (Mike) Cooley; mother-in law, Harriett Kaiser and many nieces and nephews.

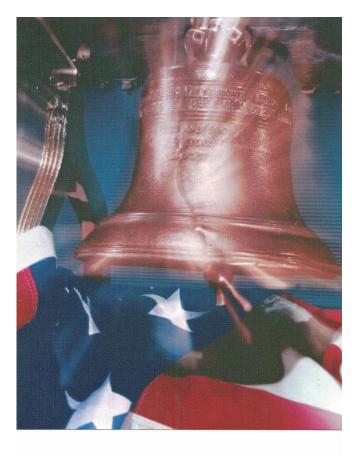
He is preceded in death by his father, Richard; mother, Stella; brother, Robert; sister, Stella (John) Waite; father-in-law, Rudolph Kaiser and brother-in-law, Steve Sudovich.

Memorials can be sent to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place Memphis, TN 38105 in honor of Ron.

Condolences may be sent to the family at www.kinkadefunerals.com.

The family would like you to join them for fellowship and lunch at Pizza Ranch in Sturgis following committal. We thank you for your presence and condolences.

# In Loving Memory Of





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1941 ~ 2017



# High Flight

Oh, I have slipped the surly bonds of Earth
And danced the skies on laughter-silvered wings;
Sunward I've climbed, and joined the tumbling mirth
of sun-split clouds, - and done a hundred things
You have not dreamed of wheeled and soared and swung
High in the sunlit silence. Hov'ring there,
I've chased the shouting wind along, and flung
My eager craft through footless halls of air....

Up, up the long, delirious, burning blue
I've topped the wind-swept heights with easy grace.
Where never lark, or even eagle flew And, while the silent, lifting mind I've trod
The high untrespassed sanctity of space,
- Put out my hand, and touched the face of God.

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### Died

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## Graveside Memorial Service

Monday, May 1, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. Black Hills National Cemetery Sturgis, South Dakota

## **Officiant**

Pastor Gene Baumann

#### Inurnment

Black Hills National Cemetery Sturgis, South Dakota

## Day is Done (Taps)

Fading light dims the sight
And a star gems the sky, gleaming bright
From afar drawing nigh,
Falls the night.

Day is done, gone the sun
From the hills, from the lake, from the sky
All is well, safely rest;
God is nigh.

Then goodnight, peaceful night;
Till the light of the dawn shineth bright.
God is near, do not fear,
Friend, goodnight.