



## Richard Lee Rumbaugh

June 25, 1941 - April 17, 2017

Richard Lee Rumbaugh, 75, attorney and retired Captain in the Naval Reserve, died on April 17, 2017, at the Hospice Care Center in Akron, Ohio, after a three week illness.

Dick was preceded in death by his parents, Merle and Frances Rumbaugh of Akron; his brother, Robert of Poland, Ohio; and a nephew. He is survived by sisters, Norma Marks and Janet (Dennis) Gearhart of Akron, as well as five nephews, one niece, six great-nieces, and three great nephews.

A 1964 graduate of the University of Akron, Dick served on active duty in the Navy as a line officer for 5 ½ years before continuing law school full time in Akron. He received his Juris Doctor Degree from U of Akron in December 1971 and was admitted to the practice of law in May 1972. In 1974, Dick moved to Carroll County and opened offices in Bergholz and Salineville. He had a general practice of law including a term as public defender after he opened a Carrollton office in 1978 until 1998. In 1998, he started to limit his practice to estate planning and related matters plus real property law.

Dick remained active in the Naval Reserve after he left active duty and rose to the rank of Navy Captain. He retired as such in April 1991. As a surface warfare officer and mid-east specialist, he spent many annual training periods in the Middle East and the Persian Gulf with his unit out of Youngstown.

A celebration of Dick's life will be held on Saturday at 3:00 p.m. at Dodds Funeral Home in Carrollton. Family will receive friends from 1:00 p.m. until time of service.

Following the service, Dick's remains will be cremated, as he desired, and sent to the Arlington National Cemetery in Washington, D.C., for inurnment in the columbarium following military services and honors. Inurnment will be at the convenience of the family.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made to a charity of your choice.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR **22**. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Dodds Funeral Home-Carrollton  
129 N Lisbon St  
Carrollton, OH 44615  
(330) 627-5505  
<https://www.doddsfuneralhomes.com/>

## Service

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# Tribute Wall

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“ *From the Gearhart and Luke Families purchased the Healing Tears - Blue and White for the family of Richard Lee Rumbaugh.*



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**From the Gearhart and Luke Families** - April 20, 2017 at 03:36 PM



“ *Shades of Purple was purchased for the family of Richard Lee Rumbaugh.*



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April 20, 2017 at 02:32 PM

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“ *Dick and my dad were best friends and business partners. He was around a lot and a pain in the butt, always giving his unsolicited opinions on my life. Lol. He loved to joke around and even though he liked to be a thorn in my side, he was loved and appreciated by us all. I know he will be greatly missed by so many but most especially dad.*

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**Theresa Braswell** - April 19, 2017 at 08:37 PM

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“*Dick was my neighbor when I was growing up. He was always very kind to my grandparents and helpful to my family. He always offered rides to summer school or work, and one summer even let me intern at his law office. Dick often accompanied my grandparents to breakfast or dinner dates. Once he even flew them to NYC to see a baseball game at Yankee Stadium - he was really good to them. I remember he had a soft spot for cats and can easily recall his big, contagious laugh. We will miss you, friend. Thank you for everything.*



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**Christina Carter** - April 19, 2017 at 07:34 PM