



## Richard "Dick" Willis

May 16, 1939 - September 8, 2013

Richard D. "Dick" Willis, 74, of Gentry, Arkansas, died September 8, 2013, at Siloam Springs Regional Hospital, Siloam Springs, Arkansas. Born May 16, 1939, in Lansing, Michigan, he was the son of Lone L. Hilliker Willis Haight. He moved to Gentry from Michigan one and a half years ago, where he was a maintenance mechanic for the State of Michigan. He married Christine Claflin on October 26, 1963. Richard is of the Seventh-day Adventist faith.

He was preceded in death by one brother, Ray Willis.

Survivors include his wife Chris of the home; two daughters Kimberlee Willis of Monroe, Washington, and Klaudia Staples and husband Larry of Gentry; one son, Kurt Willis and wife Ruthie of Vermontville, Michigan; two grandchildren, Hannah Willis and Kevin Willis and wife Katie; three grandchildren, Dusty and wife Laura Staples, Mandy Ludwig and husband Trent, and Emily Staples; three great grandchildren, Kylie, Colton, and Allie; and one sister-in-law, Diane Willis of Michigan.

Memorial services will be 3:30 p.m., October 26, 2013, at Charlotte Seventh-day Adventist Church, . In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Hastings Seventh-day Adventist School, Worthy Student Fund, 888 Terry Lane, Hastings, MI 49058.

# Tribute Wall

PM

“ I always loved get togethers at the Willis home. Uncle Dick always made me feel special and welcome no matter what. I could have easily been an outcast being the ex-wife of a family member, however, I have been showered with love, kindness and forgiveness. The Willis family has been a true testament to "walking the walk." My life is richer for having known Uncle Dick. I will miss his strength and his friendship.

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**Patti McBryde** - November 01, 2013 at 10:23 AM

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“ Uncle Dick loved everyone and always made you feel not only welcome but wanted. I love how he would call me by my last name and always asked how things were going.

*He gave me my first gift for my first baby, Sara. It was a softball with a note about playing catch some day with her Uncle Dick. It was the best gift ever!*

*I love him, feel blessed that The Lord put him in my life, and look forward to seeing him again one day.*

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**Lorrie Dundon** - October 31, 2013 at 05:47 AM

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“ Chris and family, our thoughts are with you during this sad time. Dick we will miss you, you were a good friend always ready to share a laugh and brighten another persons day.

*Craig Evans*

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**Craig Evans** - September 24, 2013 at 09:32 AM

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“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family Chris, and we ask that the Lord will give you an extra measure of strength during your time of grief. The love of your life now slumbers, free of pain as he awaits his Lord's soon return and then you will be reunited never to part again.

*Bob and Alexandra Dantuma*

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**Bob and Alecandra Dantuma** - September 11, 2013 at 07:20 AM

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“ Much love to you Uncle Dick. Catching the "big one" in the oceans of love above.

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**Renee Kirby** - September 09, 2013 at 10:20 PM