



Richard D. Philipsky

September 15, 1934 - January 31, 2026

Richard Donald Philipsky, 91, of Oakfield, was received into his eternal reward, Saturday January 31st, 2026. He was born on September 15th, 1934, in the Town of Oakfield, Wisconsin to parents Elsie Margaret (Krueger) Philipsky and Albert Benidict Philipsky. He was baptized on October 28th, 1934, at the home of his parents and confirmed April 25th, 1948, at St. Luke's Ev. Luth. Church in Oakfield. He graduated from Oakfield High School in 1952. He enlisted in the U.S. Army as a volunteer in October 1954, where he served as a tank mechanic. After being discharged from the service in September 1956, he worked on the family farm in Oakfield, until he retired. He married Dianne Joy Tank on August 16, 1958, at Zion Ev. Luth. Church in Van Dyne. He was a life-long member of St. Luke's Ev. Luth. Church in Oakfield where he participated in many committees and was involved in church leadership for many years. He enjoyed participating in sports during his high school years, as well as playing baseball and softball after high school and returning from the service. He was an avid hunter and fisherman during his younger years before his occupation as farmer required more of his attention. Later in life, he spent much of his spare time on one of his other favorite pastimes: woodworking. He enjoyed making birdhouses, flower carts, and different wall reliefs, as well as re-inventing and repairing his grandfather's chairs and furniture, who was a craftsman in his own right. Richard is survived by his sons Michael Philipsky, Oshkosh, WI and Paul Philipsky, Oakfield, WI, brother-in-law Arthur (Jeanne) Tank of Lake Havasu

City, AZ, sister-in-law Debra (Joe) Schneider of Fond du Lac, WI and nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his wife of 66 years, Dianne, his parents, his in-laws Rufus and Olive Tank, sister-in-law Sandra Martens, brothers-in law David Bargenquast and Gerald Martens, nephews Chris Tank and Matt Martens.

The family would also like to express its sincere appreciation to Common Heart Home Health Care (Karla and Deb, in particular) for the assistance provided to the family in caring for Dick. We also thank the pastoral staff (Matthew Schwartz, Donald Buch) at St. Luke's Ev. Luth. Church over the past number of years for the spiritual guidance given Dick as part of the 91 years of grace that he received from his Savior.

In lieu of flowers, memorials can be directed to St. Luke's Lutheran School Fund.

Visitation: The family will greet friends and relatives from 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM on Saturday, March 7, 2026, at St. Luke's Lutheran Church, 245 S. Second St., Oakfield.

Service: Memorial Services will be held at 1:00 PM on Saturday, March 7, 2026, at St. Luke's Lutheran Church, with Rev. Matthew Schwartz officiating.

Previous Events

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MAR 7. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (CT)

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Service

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