



## Richard A. "Dick" Dentinger

February 20, 1932 - June 14, 2020

RICHARD ("DICK") AUGUST DENTINGER, 88, of Louisville, KY passed away peacefully in his home on June 14, 2020 with his wife and six children at his side.

Dick was preceded in death by his grandson, Allen August Dentinger; as well as siblings; Robert, Anna Mae Barrett, Rev. Roy Dentinger, Rev. Vincent Dentinger, Jr., Donald, Gerald and James.

He is survived by his wife of 65 years, Harriet "Puff" Dentinger (nee Rogers); children, Mary Schoening (Jon, deceased), Ann Fenzel (Mark), Ellen Maloney (Peter), Sarah Reeder (Paul), Don Dentinger (Jeannie) and Julie Gahm (John); 17 grandchildren; three great grandchildren, with two more on the way; and his brother, Jack (Delene) Dentinger.

Following his graduation from St. Xavier High School in 1950, Dick became the first CPA to graduate from Bellarmine College. His college education was interrupted for two years when he proudly served in the US Navy during the Korean War.

Family, friends, service, and faith were the foundation of Dick's life and he led by example. For many years, he served on the Parish Council of St Francis of Assisi, and the board of trustees for St. Xavier High School and Bellarmine College. He also volunteered his talents and numerous hours to several religious organizations. He had a long and successful career as a CPA, culminating as Managing Partner with Cotton and Allen PLC. In 2006, he started a second career as a financial advisor with RiverWealth Management and remained professionally active until his death. Dick's accounting, financial advice and integrity were well respected and trusted by his many clients. He was a friend to many and deeply valued the friendships that came from his professional and personal life.

Most of all, Dick loved his family. He taught his children to appreciate music, (he played the piano by ear), to ice skate, golf, and write poetry. No family event was complete without a poem penned by Dick. He was happiest when celebrating life's moments, big and small, with family. His impact was felt by many and though we will miss his presence,

he will always be with us.

Due to current conditions, Dick's family will hold a private funeral Mass to celebrate his life.

The family has requested that in lieu of flowers, memorial donations be made to the Robert J. Fitzpatrick Endowed Accounting Scholarship Fund at Bellarmine University, or a charity of your choice. The link to the Robert J. Fitzpatrick Endowed Accounting Scholarship Fund is: <https://www.alumni.bellarmino.edu/dickdentingergifts>.

If other expressions are desired to be sent to the family, please send them care of Ratterman & Sons Funeral Home; 3800 Bardstown Road, Louisville, Kentucky 40218.

# Cemetery

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## **Calvary Cemetery**

1600 Newburg Rd  
Louisville, KY, 40205

# Comments

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“ Our condolences to Puff and other family members and friends with Dick's passing. I worked with Dick for several years and found him to be highly professional and many times to be humorous with that mischievous grin. Jan and Joni Seitz

**Jan Seitz** - June 22 at 12:26 PM

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“ Our Prayers are extended to the Dentinger family.  
John & Carolyn Sparks.

**John Sparks** - June 22 at 11:22 AM

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“ My condolences to Puff and the family. Dick was generous, kind, thoughtful, intelligent and witty. He always made me and my family feel very welcome. He was a wonderful man.

**John Einhaus** - June 22 at 07:30 AM

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“ With profound sadness we read about the loss of our good friend and much trusted advisor today. Dick had an easy going, sincere style which made us feel comfortable, and sure we were his valued friends and he was ours. We will miss him, and extend heartfelt condolences to all his wonderful family.

**Brenda Townes** - June 21 at 09:13 AM

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“ Dick and Puff loved thorobred horse racing almost as much as Nancy and I do. We had great times at our annual Derby Party. Dick and I also spent lots of time together on the golf course --- and afterwards --- with our buddies. We loved Dick and will miss him dearly. Our condolences to Puff and the rest of the family.

Bernie Block and Nancy Neill

**Bernie Block** - June 20 at 03:20 PM

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“ I remember him flying Meg around like an airplane on her 3rd Birthday in the house on Peterson. He was loved by all. You guys were lucky to have such a kind and caring dad. I am so sad for you all. Please give Puff my love.  
Deedee Kenny

deedee kenny - June 20 at 11:32 AM

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“ Thirty six years ago Dick introduced me to the greatest challenge of my life. The uphill climb was tough but he encouraged me and for that I will always be grateful. His soft spoken words and gentle smile warm me every time I think of him.

Requiescat in pace

Jamie Kirven - June 20 at 11:26 AM

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“ Blessings to the Dentinger family! Loved being a small part of this big, vibrant family! Your wit and wisdom, Poppy, were always apparent and you welcomed all! Always loved seeing you and Puff at St.Leonard! Much love! Prayers, Laura and Campbell

Laura Melillo Barnum - June 19 at 10:24 PM



“ We always loved being with Puff and Dick. From derby parties to Destin Fl the time was always fun packed! We will miss Dick's charming personality & humor. May he Rest In Peace. Love, Barbara & Bernie V

barbara & bernie vonderheide - June 20 at 09:18 AM



“ I considered myself lucky to be able to work with some of Dick Dentinger's clients at Cotton and Allen. I learned so much from him – about business and about being good at what we did while being true to our values. A great person to have known.

Larry Mehler - June 22 at 09:39 AM

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“ My sympathy to Puff & family...always enjoyed visiting with Dick when in Louisville. Will miss his friendly smile. Now he is smiling with his sisters & all the brothers who have gone before him. May he rest in peace. Marlene Lorsung from Minnesota

Marlene Lorsung - June 19 at 09:04 PM

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“ It was an honor and a delight to have known Dick and to have participated in Maloney/Detinger family gatherings where his humor and energy always added more zest to the occasion.

Tim and Maggie Maloney



**Maggie Maloney** - June 19 at 02:21 PM

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“ With deepest sympathy,

The Wheatley Family



**Mary Wheatley** - June 18 at 06:44 PM

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“ Mr. Dentinger was the Best... So Many Memories, felt like he was an Uncle!! My Dad Loved Him So... as well as my entire family - He is in Heaven with all of his buddies!!

**caroline irene knop** - June 18 at 05:21 PM

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“ You'll truly be greatly missed by all, Poppy. Thank you for being so lovingly supportive to me and our children throughout the years. Throughout many trying times you were always there for us. Thanks for all the joy, laughter, and quick wit. Heaven acquired a real gem

**Karen Dentinger** - June 18 at 01:33 PM

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“ Debbie Kniss lit a candle in memory of Richard A. "Dick" Dentinger



**Debbie Kniss** - June 17 at 09:25 PM



“ What to say about a man that was so important to me and LNK. He was such a gentleman and caring person. Puff said it was okay if I made him my boyfriend and I always kidded him about that. I was so lucky to know you boyfriend and to be able to have our last conversation. You and your whole family have meant so much to me over the years. Prayers and hugs to each of you.

**Debbie Kniss** - June 17 at 09:29 PM

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“ Poppy, you'll be missed by so many. We love you!



**Kacie Reeder** - June 17 at 08:14 PM