



Richard H. Heinichen

September 25, 1941 - January 22, 2026

Richard H. Heinichen, lovingly known as Rich, was born on September 25, 1941, in Cincinnati, Ohio, to Carl and Selma Heinichen. He was a proud graduate of Xavier University and went on to serve his country honorably in the United States Army, including overseas service in Korea and Vietnam.

On August 14, 1965, Rich married the love of his life, Carol Luckman, beginning a partnership that spanned decades. After retiring from the military, Rich continued his commitment to service and learning by attending law school at Willamette University. He went on to have a distinguished career as an Administrative Law Judge for the State of Oregon.

A devoted husband, father, and grandfather, Rich is survived by his children, Teresa (Tim) Williams and Rick (Cindy) Heinichen, as well as his beloved grandchildren, Tiffani (Justin) Zienhert and Carrie Heinichen. He was preceded in death by his parents, Selma and Carl; his sister, Lillian (Ferd) Hauser; and his brother, Carl (Elsie) Heinichen.

Rich volunteered generously in both church and civic life. He was an active member of the Lions Club and the Knights of Columbus. In his free time, he especially enjoyed playing golf and traveling with his beloved wife, Carol.

Funeral mass will be held at St. Francis Church, 15651 SW Oregon Street,

Sherwood, Oregon, on Thursday, January 29, 2026, at 11:00 a.m. A Rosary will be prayed at 10:30 a.m., with a reception to follow the service.

Rich will be remembered for his service, integrity, dedication to others, and the love he had for his family and community.

In lieu of flowers, the family kindly requests donations be made to the Alzheimer's Association: <http://alz.org/>

Previous Events

Rosary

JAN 29. 10:30 AM (PT)

St. Francis Catholic Church
15651 SW Oregon St.
Sherwood, OR 97140
church@stfrancissherwood.org

Funeral Mass

JAN 29. 11:00 AM (PT)

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Committal with Military Honors

FEB 2. 2:30 PM (PT)

Willamette National Cemetery
11800 SE Mt. Scott Blvd.
Portland, OR 97086

Tribute Wall

MN

“ Thank you so much for sharing Rich with us in his last days. You're an amazing family!
Love to all of you!
Michele Nixon and Allegiance family

Michele Nixon - January 31 at 03:53 PM

TW

Thank you Michelle

Teresa Williams - February 03 at 06:14 PM

TW

“ 5 files added to the tribute wall



Teresa Williams - January 27 at 07:22 PM

JJ

“ Sending condolences to you and the family, Carol💕.



Joyce Johnson - January 27 at 02:37 PM

TW

Thank you Joyce

Teresa Williams - January 27 at 07:13 PM

Thank you

Rick Heinichen - January 29 at 10:28 AM

CH

Thank you for your support and Friendship

Carol Heinichen - February 01 at 02:07 PM

SH

“ *Sue Heinichen sent a virtual gift in memory of
Richard H. Heinichen*



Sue Heinichen - January 27 at 02:00 PM

TW

Thank you, Sue

Teresa Williams - January 27 at 07:15 PM

Thank you

Rick Heinichen - January 29 at 10:28 AM

NE

“ *The most vivid memory I have of Uncle Rich is when Aunt Carol stayed at our house when I was young and we took her to the Cincinnati Airport to meet Uncle Rich. I remember him walking down the aisle in his military uniform and Aunt Carol running to him and jumping into his arms. I was just a kid and I still remember it so clearly. Condolences to Aunt Carol, Teresa and Rick.*



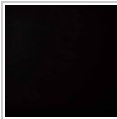
Nancy Esterman

Nancy Esterman - January 24 at 09:33 PM

TW

Thanks for sharing, Nancy. Mom remembers this event vividly and made her smile. She told me exactly what she was wearing including the high heels she ran in.

Teresa Williams - January 27 at 07:19 PM



Thank you

Rick Heinichen - January 29 at 10:29 AM

CH

Thank you

Carol Heinichen - February 01 at 02:04 PM

CH

“ *Chuck Heinichen lit a candle in memory of Richard H. Heinichen*



Chuck Heinichen - January 24 at 02:18 PM

TW

Thanks Chuck ~ Aunt Carol

Teresa Williams - January 24 at 02:25 PM

BL

“ Somewhere around 2007, I was the only “kid” (in my 20s) who joined the three Luckman siblings—Rich’s wife Carol, Pat, and my dad Jim—and their spouses on a summer trip to Breckenridge, Colorado. I should have written a book about that trip because the family dynamics alone were comedy gold.

Uncle Rich, naturally, was in charge. He had the plans, the schedule, and a very clear idea of how we were all getting from Point A to Point B. At one point, he sat in the passenger seat trying to help my dad navigate while my dad cheerfully ignored every suggestion. Rich grew increasingly exasperated—until from the back seat, Uncle Jim quietly suggested that we go to Toy's R Us to get Rich his own steering wheel.

We all laughed, and Uncle Rich eventually did too. Looking back, it wasn't really about directions. Uncle Rich felt a deep responsibility to make sure things got done and that the group actually arrived where it was supposed to go. That mix of humor and determination is how I remember him. Sending love to Aunt Carol, Teresa, Rick, and their families.

Buffy Luckman - January 24 at 01:06 PM

TW

I remember that trip well, especially when the bees chased us. Thank you for sharing and giving your love to our family ~ Aunt Carol

Teresa Williams - January 24 at 02:24 PM

DS

Remembering Rich as a kind person that loved his family as well as his friends. We had the privilege of being paired up with Heinichen's for a Family Life event from our St. Therese Days. It made for a very enriching time to get to know each other as brothers and sisters in Christ. Sorry for your loss.

Love and Prayers, Terry & Diane Smyth & Family

Diane Smyth - January 24 at 03:19 PM

CH

Thank you for sharing and being friends to us

Carol Heinichen - January 24 at 10:50 PM

TW

Thanks Buffy for sharing this story. I had just heard this recently from your dad. I'm glad you got an opportunity to travel with all of our parents. They are a pretty unique group.

Teresa Williams - January 27 at 07:17 PM



Thank you

Rick Heinichen - January 29 at 10:29 AM