



Richard Schindler

August 18, 1931 - November 10, 2004

Richard "Dick" Schindler, 73, Bismarck, passed away November 10, 2004. Services will be held at 11 AM Monday at McCabe United Methodist Church, Bismarck, with the Rev. Art Scanson officiating. Burial will be at 3:30 PM Monday at the McClusky Cemetery, McClusky. Visitation will be 5-9 PM Sunday at Eastgate Funeral Service, Bismarck. Visitation will continue one hour prior to the service at the church. Dick was born August 18, 1931 in McClusky, ND to Jack and Esther Neff Schindler. He graduated from McClusky High School in 1949, Valley City State College in 1953, and Colorado State with a MA degree in 1959. Dick served in the Army between 1953-1955. He was teacher, coach, and principal at Turtle Lake High School from 1955 to 1968. He joined the North Dakota High School Activities Association as assistant executive secretary in Valley City between 1966 and 1979. From 1979 to 1997 he served as assistant director of the National Federation of the State High School Associations, where he edited basketball, football, and track rule books and where he became known as "Mr. Rules". Dick received many awards including the North Dakota Official's Association hall of fame in 1992, the Valley City State University hall of fame in 1992 where he earned 13 varsity letters, the National Federation Citation in 1997, the National High School Sports hall of fame in 1999, and the National Athletic Directors distinguished service award in 2004. Dick was active at McCabe United Methodist Church, Bismarck, serving on the church staff parish committee, was a board member of the North Dakota Sports hall of fame

selection committee, was a board member of the North Dakota Prairie Rose State Games serving as track and field commissioner, served as an assistant in the management and administration of local, regional, and state tournaments in Bismarck and Mandan, served as referee at North Dakota State Track meets, and volunteered once a week as a ranger at the local municipal golf courses. Dick is survived by his wife, Karla, Bismarck, ND; three daughters, Patti Jerry Rose, Benton City, WA, Sandra Allen Harvey, Cable, WI, and Kathryn Gerald Roggenbuck, Reville, SD; one son, John Brenda Schindler, Excelsior Springs, MO; 9 grandchildren; two brothers, Dr. Melvin Laura Schindler, McClusky, ND and Norman Lynn Schindler, ST. Paul, MN; one sister, Carol Marvin Linde, Billings, MT; and 14 nieces and nephews. The family prefers memorials to the McCabe United Methodist Church Building Fund, 1030 N. 6th St., Bismarck, ND 58501.