



Catherine D. Dick

July 18, 1932 - May 28, 2026

Catherine D. Dick (née Ridge) age 93, formerly of Long Branch entered into eternal peace on Thursday, May 28, 2026.

She was born July 18, 1932 in Philadelphia, PA to the late Harold W. Ridge and Catherine Linemann Ridge.

Catherine was a proud graduate of one of the oldest Catholic schools in Philadelphia, John W. Hallahan Catholic Girls High School, class of 1950. The school did her well, as evidenced by her strong moral character and impeccable penmanship. She often attended class reunions.

Catherine was the wife of SFC John A. Dick (Ret.). They married in 1953 and she remained his devoted wife and caregiver until his passing in 1984.

She was the consummate military wife, "holding down the fort" on Avenel Boulevard while singlehandedly raising six children when he was away for extended periods of time. Her husband was a war hero with a chest full of medals; Catherine was an unsung hero, often with a chest full of heartache. But she always carried on. And she always went above and beyond the call of duty.

She was a cashier at Fort Monmouth Commissary and a lunch aide at Steelman School, Eatontown. After her husband's passing, she received her real estate license and worked for Teicher Agency, Oceanport in the 1980s. She went on to become a certified nurse's aide and worker for Stouffer's Nurses Registry for many years.

She truly enjoyed her retirement years at Leisure Village and will be especially

missed by all her friends at Bingo, the Doll Club, and the Nurses of Leisure Village.

Catherine was predeceased by her husband, SFC John A. "Jack" Dick (Ret.), a daughter, Dorothy Dick Griner of Eatontown; a grandson, Robert Griner; her brother, John Ridge of Philadelphia, PA; and twin nephews, "Baby" John Michael Ridge and Harold Wesley Ridge. When Catherine approaches the Rainbow Bridge, she will be greeted by her cherished shelties, Sneakers and Buddy.

Catherine is survived by three daughters, Jacqueline Dick of Tinton Falls, Catherine Dick of Las Vegas, NV, and Loretta Dick of Las Vegas, NV; two sons, Richard and his wife Kelly Visco of Nathalie, VA and John Dick of Tinton Falls; three grandchildren, William Griner, Krystal Dawn Dick, and Dartagnan Edward Steele; two great granddaughters, Faye and Milly; and a niece Donna Rose Wilson of Floresville, TX. She is also survived by her best friend, companion, and caregiver, Cheryl Monaco-Basinski of Leisure Village who was by her side to the very end. Catherine's family is forever grateful for Cheryl's devotion.

A Memorial Service to Celebrate Catherine's Life will be held at 1:00 PM on Sunday, July 19 at Buckingham Hall in Leisure Village, Lakewood. She will be laid to rest in Woodbine Cemetery, Oceanport beside her beloved husband.

Cemetery Details

Woodbine Cemetery & Mausoleum

1173 Eatontown Blvd
Oceanport, NJ 07757

Upcoming Events

Memorial Service

JUL 19. 1:00 PM (ET)

Buckingham Hall at Leisure Village
19 Buckingham Drive
Lakewood, NJ 08701

Tribute Wall

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