



Schroder, Richard Charles

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Richard Charles Schroder, 81, passed away Thursday, June 6, 2019, in Decatur.

Rosary service is 7 p.m. Friday, June 21, at Saint John the Baptizer Catholic Church in Bridgeport.

Memorial service is 10:30 a.m. Saturday, June 22, at Saint John the Baptizer Catholic Church with Father Reehan officiating. An inurnment will follow at East Bridgeport Cemetery.

Arrangements were entrusted to the White Family Funeral Home of Bowie.

Richard was born Sept. 7, 1937, in Covington, Ken., to Charles and Elizabeth (Huseman) Schroder. He graduated from Jesuit High School in Tampa, Fla. Richard worked for Purolator Oil Product as a national sales manager for 30 years. He married Carolyn Witham Aug. 15, 1980, in Arlington.

Richard enjoyed fishing with his boys and building model train sets. He was a 4th degree Knight of Columbus and a member of Saint John the Baptizer Catholic Church in Bridgeport.

He was preceded in death by his parents; granddaughter Paige Nicole Witham; and aunt Catherine Cason.

Richard is survived by his wife, Carolyn Schroder; sons Roger Witham and wife, Debbie, and Michael Witham, all of Alvord; grandchildren Brianna Cole and husband, Nick, of Sunset and Hailey Purifoy of North Richland Hills; great-grandchildren Lilah Cole and Stetson Purifoy; niece Detrik Barrett and husband, Alex, of Euless and their son, Greyson Barrett; and numerous nieces and nephews.

In lieu of flowers, should friends desire, memorials can be made in honor of Richard to Feeding Wise Kids, care of Saint John Catholic Church, 1801 Irvine St., Bridgeport, TX 76426.