



## Richard Gerald Kalning

March 26, 1948 - December 5, 2018

Richard Gerald Kalning, 70, of Tacoma, WA passed away December 5, 2018. Richard will be missed and is loved by many family and friends. Loved ones are currently putting details together to celebrate his life. A more complete obituary will be coming. Please honor the life and memory of Richard by leaving cherished memories, messages, and photos for his family on the tribute wall.

# Events

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**DEC**   **Chapel Service**   **01:00PM**

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Garden Chapel

4100 Steilacoom Blvd. SW, Lakewood, WA, US, 98499

**DEC**   **Graveside Service**   **02:30PM**

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Mountain View Funeral Home & Crematory

4100 Steilacoom Blvd. SW PO Box 99947, Lakewood, WA, US, 98499

# Comments

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“ I remember the first week I moved into the senior apartment building where I now live. Every day I would hear the same question. “Have you seen Richard?” Soon, I began to wonder who this Richard guy was, and why are so many people so interested in him?

Then he wheeled into the room in his electric chair. And, people gathered around him to engage in conversation and to just be in his presence. It didn't take long for me to see why everyone was so taken with Richard. He was the pure essence of love.

Richard reminded me of the scripture found in John 13:35, when Jesus said, “By this will all men know you are my disciples if you have love for one another.”

We will miss you, Richard.

**Jaye J Samson** - December 17, 2018 at 12:47 AM



“ I met Richard when I moved into Life Manor.He was such a wonderful person.I got to know him better.He would come downstairs every morning to have coffee with a group of us women.He would sit at the head of the table and he lovingly referred to us as his Harem.He would call Norma every morning about 10:30 to make sure she was up and told her he was having coffee with his Harem,and u could always hear her laugh at that.He also brought flavored coffee creamer too share.We loved hearing about his adventures to and from Walmart with "mom".I remember him telling us about her wheelchair running out of power and how he pushed her home.What an amazing man.I often held his hand during his seizures and comforting him thru it.Rich loved Scooter so much.I helped take care of Scooter when he was in the hospital and I would sit in the evenings and talk to Norma.He was also there for everyone despite his physical limitations.When a group of us went to visit him at the nursing facility he introduced us as his "other Harem" .He had a new one there.Such a charismatic man.He was very strong in his faith too.He will always be in my heart and be loved and remembered forever.Take comfort in knowing he is out of pain and with his God, running around in Heaven with his two good legs, drinking flavored coffee and is together with his wife and brother.He will remain in your heart forever.Take care of Norma please. Cathy Plank Life Manor Resident and friend.

**Cathy Plank** - December 19, 2018 at 12:05 AM