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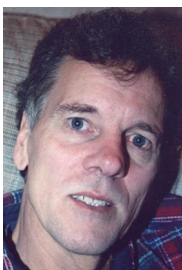
# Richard de Geus — Rochester

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Richard deGeus

Richard de Geus, 59, of Rochester, died unexpectedly at his home on Monday, Aug. 5, 2013. A memorial service will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday at United Methodist Church, 503 First Ave., N.W. in Byron.

Richard was born on April 11, 1954, to Dirk and Margaretha de Geus in Leiden, The Netherlands. Richard, along with his family, immigrated to the United States in 1956, when he was two years old and settled in

Rochester. Rick graduated from Byron High School in 1972. He also lettered in swimming his sophomore and junior years at Mayo High School. Rick became a tile setter and founded Rochester Tile and Marble before retiring in 2009 with a disability. Rick enjoyed boating, fishing, kayaking and camping. He was also an avid Vikings fan, although his disability forced him to stop doing the things he loved.

Rick battled with depression and anxiety his entire adult life, yet remained a gentle soul. Rick is survived by his six siblings, Neal (Mary) of San Antonio, Texas, Jan (Ada) of Leiden, The Netherlands, Dick (Chic) of Racine, Jake (Mary) of Byron, Margaret of Minneapolis, and Peter (Debbie) of Rochester. He was also survived by many nieces and nephews, and was especially fond of Gerrit and Elizabeth. He was preceded in death by his parents; and brother, Pieter, who died in infancy during World War II.

Rick will be cremated and his ashes scattered at one of his favorite locations. There will be a party to celebrate his life at the Eagles Club at a later date. Donations can be made to National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI.org).

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