

FUNERAL MASS:

Saturday, November 12, 2016 - 2:00 p.m.
St. Ann's Roman Catholic Church Annaheim, Saskatchewan

Celebrant:

Fr. Rudolph Novecosky, OSB

Concelebrant:

Fr. Anthony Atter

Crossbearer:

Brian Doepker

Music Ministry:

Members of St. Ann's Parish Choir

Scripture Readers:

Dave Doepker & Paul Revering

Intentions:

Connie Olivier & Pat Sarauer

Giftbearers:

Phyllis Moellenbeck & Richard Kosokowsky

Urnbearers:

Vivian Doepker & Family

INTERMENT:

St. Ann's Roman Catholic Cemetery Annaheim, Saskatchewan

Memorial Donations:

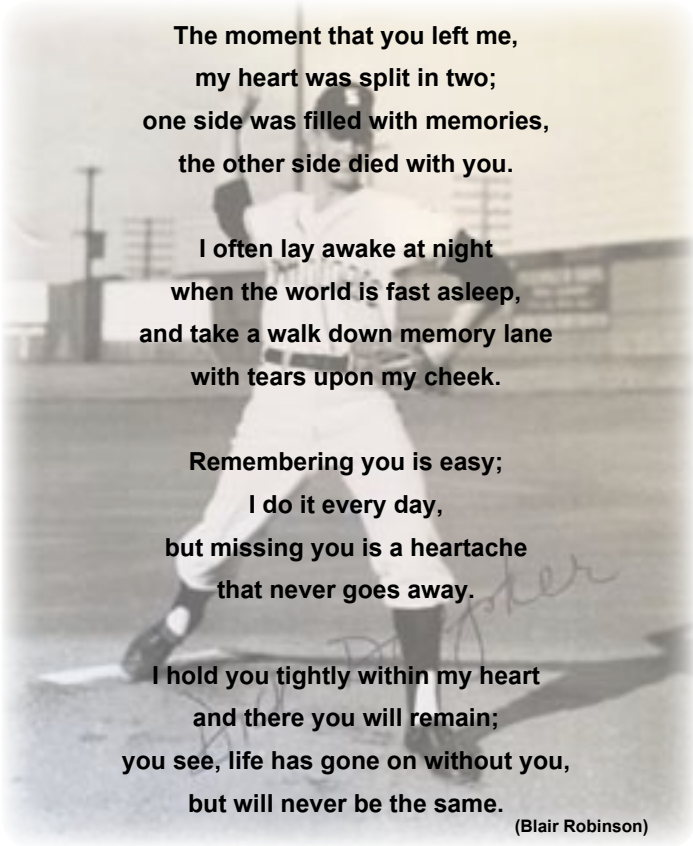
St. Ann's Roman Catholic Cemetery Fund

Memorial Luncheon:

Annaheim Community Hall Annaheim, Saskatchewan

Richard Joseph Doepker, beloved husband, father, grandfather and great-grandfather, died on October 7, 2016, at his home in Visalia, California at the age of 80. Richard, the youngest of 12 children, was born to Bernard and Mary (nee Dauk) Doepker on August 11, 1936, in Annaheim, SK. After graduating from high school at St. Peter's Benedictine Monastery in Muenster, SK, where he was studying to be a priest, he then took another calling and began a baseball career pitching for the Saskatoon Moores. While with the Moores, Richard was scouted and recruited by Roy Taylor of the College of Sequoias and Pete Biden of Fresno State where he was their top pitcher for four years. During the summer he played for Moose Jaw and Saskatoon in the Western Canadian Baseball League. After graduating from Fresno State, Richard played for five years in the Pittsburgh Pirate's organization. Highlights from his baseball career would be helping the Moores win the Saskatchewan Provincial Junior Baseball Championship in 1955. Also, he helped the College of Sequoias win the California State Baseball Championship in 1957 and Fresno State get to its first College World Series in 1959. After graduating from Fresno State where he earned a Master's Degree in History Richard returned to Visalia to begin his teaching career at Mt. Whitney High School for 13 years where he was also a coach, councillor and dean. In 1979 he opened Golden West High School where he served as principal for 17 years and developed strong bonds between his staff, students and their families. As well, he served as a mentor, friend, and champion of the Golden West family.

Richard is survived by his wife of 30 years, **Vivian** Doepker of Visalia, CA; their four children: **Greg** Doepker of Arizona, **Stephanie** Davis of Kingsburg, CA, **Tony** (Julie) Diaz and **Sabrina** Jimenez, all of Visalia, CA. He is also survived by 10 grandchildren: **Gabby** Diaz, **Tyler** (Kylie) Davis, **Savannah** Diaz, **Trenten** Davis, **Mallorie** Diaz, **Darian** Jimenez, **Jared** Davis, **Gabriel** Davis, **Angela** Davis, and **Jonathan** Jimenez, four great-grandchildren: **Braxley** Davis, **Ryker** Davis, **Eloise** Davis, and **Maverick** Davis; three siblings: Ted Doepker of Saskatoon, Donald Doepker of Annaheim and Theresa Kosokowsky of Humboldt; and numerous nieces, nephews, and their families. He is predeceased by his parents, Bernard and Mary Doepker; five brothers: Joseph, Francis, Bernard, Raymond and Jerome Doepker, and three sisters: Sister Maria, OSU, Auddie Dennis, and Rosemary Revering.



The moment that you left me,
my heart was split in two;
one side was filled with memories,
the other side died with you.

I often lay awake at night
when the world is fast asleep,
and take a walk down memory lane
with tears upon my cheek.

Remembering you is easy;
I do it every day,
but missing you is a heartache
that never goes away.

I hold you tightly within my heart
and there you will remain;
you see, life has gone on without you,
but will never be the same.

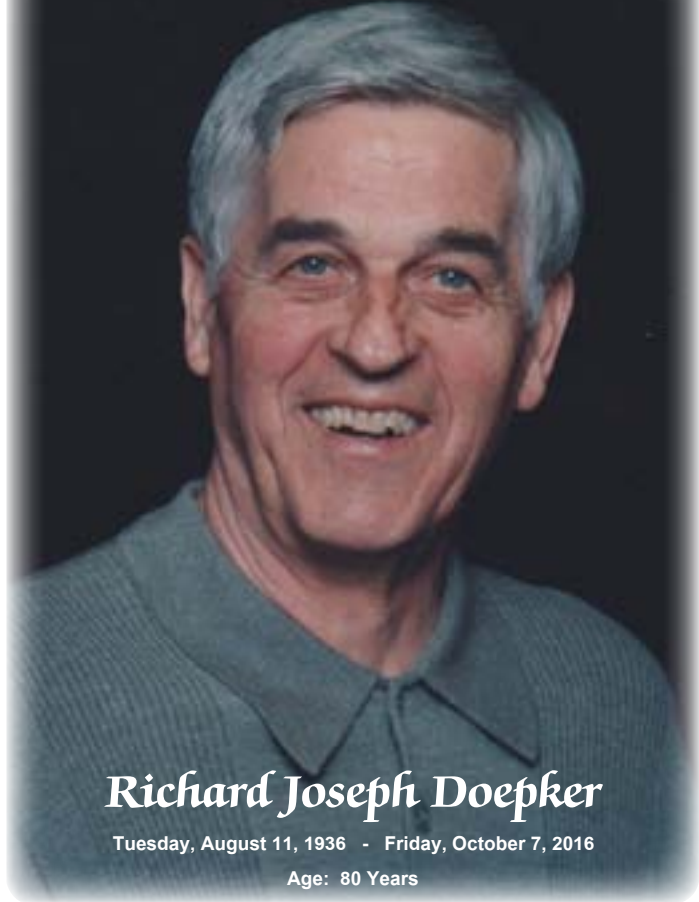
(Blair Robinson)

APPRECIATION

The family wishes to express their gratitude for your kindness evidenced in thought and deed,
and for your attendance at the funeral service.

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"Dedicated to those we serve."

In Loving Memory Of



Richard Joseph Doepker

Tuesday, August 11, 1936 - Friday, October 7, 2016

Age: 80 Years