

John Richard Macfarlane

May 12, 1936 ~ June 20, 2025

What a void in our universe! Richard is such a wonderful bishop, friend, and man. He was so wonderful at keeping track of us. Our hearts are broken but know he’s with loved ones. Our thoughts and prayers are with Karen and the family

- Kathy and Walter Berg

John, I was sorry to hear of your dad’s passing. Losing a parent is hard no matter how old we are. My thoughts and prayers will be with you and your family. DeAnne Rogers

- DeAnne Kjar Rogers

Tom, Claire, James, I am so sorry for your loss. My thoughts are with you. Irina

- Irina Gushin

I remember you so fondly from my youth at the ward. Sweet love to your family, and all those who loved you.

- Rachel Jolley

I’m so heartbroken you are gone. You have been such an amazing presence in me and my families life. You have been such an important part of my life and am so lucky to have known you. We love you Richard. Thank you for making the world a brighter place. We already miss you.

- Alisha Cook Jacobson

Aunty Karen & Family, I was lost for words hearing the news of my dear Uncle Rich. My heart shattered, knowing I won’t get any text messages or phone calls from him. Sending loves and hugs to you all at this time, even though

he’s happy to be home with Mama Kk and Papa Grant Sr and his loving siblings. May his legacy be a blessing, may his memory be a treasure, and may his love continue to inspire us all, till that glorious morning Uncle Rich.

- Missy M

I will never forget all the hours "Bishop" spent throwing the football with me. I mattered to this giant of a man. What an impression. How many lessons I learned from his example and gentle, immense strength. How many hours I spent shaking his hand, his broken "shaking machine". How many hours I spent hanging onto his words around a campfire. Blessed to spend time in his presence. MacFarlane family, Im very sorry for your loss. May you one day be reunited with your husband, father, Grandfather, Santa Claus, Story teller. Best NK.

- Nathan Kamerath

Sweetest friends, Larry and I love both of you so very much and grieve with you and your wonderful family during this time of sorrow. We have so many wonderful memories of our time and service to God together! May peace fill your hearts as the days go forth towards our eternal reunion with God, our Father, and our Savior Jesus Christ.

- Sherry and Larry Poulson

To Karen and the family… Grace and I had opportunity to spend time in the 27th ward environment some 20 years ago. Br. Macfarlane was the High Priests Group leader at the time, in between Bishop assignments. Pres. Richard Horne (ret.) was the Sunday School Teacher and Ken Cannon was the current Bishop. At every turn were good ward members to be found. Not long ago, Grace and I found ourselves literally sitting at the feet of Br. Macfarlane as he held forth with a group of “Elderlies” where he shared insights and readings related to how we might do better in our reclining, declining years. Would to be as gracious through it all as Richard, and you Karen have been. We give thanks for good and great people who have touched our lives, “for good.”. Thank you Richard and Karen Macfarlane.

- Lew and Grace Wilson

Dear Macfarlane Family, I was deeply saddened to hear of the passing of John Richard Macfarlane. Please accept my heartfelt condolences during this difficult time. May you find comfort in the cherished memories you hold of him, and may his legacy of love and kindness continue to live on in all of you. With deepest sympathy, Karol Served as a missionary in the Washington DC North Mission (2004–2005)

- Karol P.