

# Charles Richard Vandercook

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Graveside services were held Thursday, Sept. 6, 1979, at 3 p.m. for Charles Richard "Dick" Vandercook at the Wheatland Cemetery with Dan Barcus officiating. Funeral services were held Sept. 4, in Maryland. He died Aug. 31 at the age of 66 at Leland Memorial Hospital in Riverdale, Maryland after an extended illness.

He was born in Akron, Ohio Oct. 28, 1912. Dick moved from Ohio in his early teens with his family to the Washington, D.C. area where he lived until the time of his death. He and Elizabeth W. Wedemeyer were married in Roseville, Maryland Mar. 23, 1946.

Dick retired in 1971 after serving a total of 37 years in government service. He worked at the Naval Gun Factory in Washington, D.C. and then for

NASA's Goddard Space Flight Center in Greenbelt, Maryland. He had been an official at the Indianapolis 500 for the U. S. Auto Club since 1946. He was a member of the Landover Christian Church in Landover, Maryland.

He is survived by his wife, Elizabeth of Riverdale; one son, Brian of Riverdale; two brothers, Raymond VanDercook and Russell Balderson both of Calif.; one sister, Ruth Vest of Maryland; several nephews and nieces including Jerry and Butch Orr of Wheatland and Joann Orr of Denver.

A memorial has been established to the American Cancer Fund.

Schrader-Prell Funeral Home was in charge of the local arrangements.