



Dennis Richard "Ricky" Ritchey

May 18, 1954 - September 11, 2016

Ricky Ritchey, age 62, went to be with his Lord and Savior on September 11, 2016, at Forrest General Hospital.

He was a large statue of a man with a heart and sense of humor as great as his stature. Rick enjoyed hunting, especially at his father-in-law's ranch in Sierra Blanca, Texas.

Rick graduated from Northeast Jones High School in 1973. He later became a cross country trucker. He always had interesting stories to tell about places he had seen and the people he had met in the many years he spent on the road. Rick retired from Miller Transport in June of 2009 due to health problems.

Ricky was a member of First Baptist Church of Myrick. He had a great love for his church family and his pastor. He found a wonderful sense of peace in his relationship with his Lord and Savior.

He was preceded in death by his father Dennis "D.T." Ritchey; his father-in-law John D. Honeycutt and mother-in-law Martha Jo Honeycutt; and his step granddaughter Zoe Herring.

Survivors include his wife JoBeth Honeycutt Ritchey; mother Mary Jones Ritchey; son Dennis Richard "Little Rick" Ritchey, Jr. (Kristi) of Houma, LA;

stepsons Patrick Herring of Van Horn, Texas, and Shane Herring of Greenville, MS; grandson Clay Patrick Ritchey of Houma, LA; brother Edward Earl Ritchey (Susan); nephew Nathan Ritchey; niece Hayley Ritchey all of Laurel, MS; and brother-in-law Johnny Honeycutt (Carol) of Miami, Florida. He is also survived by many aunts, uncles, cousins and friends.

A memorial service for Ricky will be held at a later date at First Baptist Church of Myrick in Laurel, MS where Dr. Rory Dill and Rev. Russell Coleman will officiate.

Memory Chapel Funeral Home of Laurel, MS was in charge of the arrangements. To sign the online guest book, visit www.memorychapellaurel.com.

Tribute Wall

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“ *Ricky and I were in band together at Northeast Jones High School and were good friends. I am sorry to hear of his passing, but I am encouraged to know of his strong faith. -- Jimmy Knight*

Jimmy and Alane Knight - September 23, 2016 at 02:33 PM

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“ *Ed, Susan and family: Please know that our prayers are with each of you and may the Peace of Christ be with you now and the days ahead. Love, Always, Roma Rahaim Graham and Family.*



Roma Rahaim Graham - September 21, 2016 at 01:18 PM

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“ *Jo Beth and Family, we are so sorry to hear of Mr Rick's passing. Please know our prayers are with your family at this time.*



Linda Smith - September 21, 2016 at 12:15 PM

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“ *I am so sorry to hear about Ricky. We graduated together. He was always so nice. Praying for your family.*

Shannon Alday - September 21, 2016 at 05:35 AM