



## Randy "Rando" Richard Hickson

February 19, 1960 - January 4, 2024

Randy "Rando" Richard Hickson, 63, passed away on January 4, 2024. He was born on February 19, 1960, in Onawa, Iowa, to Lester William Hickson and Marvel Lavonne (Ronfeldt) Hickson.

Randy was the definition of a true cowboy. He was a member of the WRCA, Chuck Wagon Racing Association, and would also volunteer at the kids' rodeos. He was a rancher, bull and bronc rider, cattle herder, singer, guitar player, and expert craftsman who could build anything from handmade knives to wagons. Randy was also an incredible dancer, who was so talented that he was listed in an auction just to win a dance with him. And his dancing is what brought him to his wife, Judy, when he danced with her to a country waltz. He was also an incredible storyteller, and his storytelling was revered amongst family and friends.

Randy was an old-school cowboy gentleman. He was the type of man to be known amongst his family and friends as a hero. This could be because he held strongly to his values and made sure he lived by them as well. Randy made sure to show respect and kindness to anyone he met, no matter who they were. And he would not hesitate to help those who needed it, no matter what. When asked if it was any trouble for him to help, he would simply reply, "It's all good." Randy also always made those around him feel important and loved. He was a pillar in his family and community, and his presence will be missed, but his memory will forever live on in the hearts of those that were lucky enough to know and love him.

He is preceded in death by his parents; brothers, Bob Hickson and Rodney Hickson; sisters, Sherry Coe (Tom) and Chris Gotto; and grandson, Traver Walls

He is survived by his loving wife of 15 years, Judy Hickson of the home; daughters, Shelly Condon (Josh) of Marshfield, MO, and Jamie King (James) of West Siloam Springs, OK; sons, Michael Hickson of Marshfield, MO, and Jarrod Shelley (Samantha) of West Siloam Springs, OK; brothers, Rick Hickson (Mary) of Decatur, AR, and Ron Hickson of Sulphur Springs, AR; sisters, Vicky Graves (Tom) of Decatur, AR, Becky Arnold (Roy) of Centerton, AR, and Terri Knox (CG) of Gentry, AR; seventeen grandchildren and six great-grandchildren; sister-in-law, Babs Hickson of Sioux City, IA; brother-in-law, Bill Gotto of Pierson, IA; as well as many aunts, uncles, nieces, and nephews.

A visitation will be held at Wasson Funeral Home on Wednesday, January 10, 2024, from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. The funeral service, officiated by Daryl Knight, will be held at Wasson Funeral home on Thursday, January 11, 2024, at 11:00 a.m. Interment will follow at Falling Springs Cemetery in Decatur, AR.

# Cemetery Details

## Falling Springs Cemetery

Falling Springs Cemetery  
Decatur, AR 72722

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 10. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Wasson Funeral Home  
441 U.S. 412  
Siloam Springs, AR 72761  
(479) 524-5131  
wasson@wassonfuneralhome.com  
<https://www.wassonfuneralhome.com>

## Funeral Service

JAN 11. 11:00 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

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“Sing You B\*\*\*\*\* “ is what I would yell when walking into Petes Place for a night of dance and drinks. Rando would yell “Go Ahead” like the band needed permission. Uncle would say some goofy “John Wayne” type things & very few did I get at that moment. If you have ever watched a spelling bee competition you will hear “can you please use that in a sentence”? That is how we communicated 75% of the time. 25% were my fantastic jokes. He would say like “stop being a “trail rider” and ride your horse.” When he first said this it didn’t SOUND like an insult but it FEALT like one....that’s a real skill. He took Brady (Big Red) to his first steer ride a bought his very first bright yellow and blue shirt. Brady was so small and I wish I had the pictures of the event as Uncle would yell at him IDK now what he yelled but I am sure it was one of the cowboy lingo like “stay hooked” “don’t be a puss” or “go ahead Red”. The Pony Dotz youth mentoring program (that would not have been even possible if not for my Uncle CG Trey Rando Aunt Terri and all others ) really hit home during service today when Gabra had written in about the impact Uncle had on that little boy who’s dad was dying and his mom wanted him to be apart of something they both cared for- horses. I am so proud that the little club I Packed him so much and all because Uncle was a kind man and gave him time. He is truly his hero. I love you Uncle and I cherish our goofy memories and taking our twelve step to Vegas & showing the “hooches” ALL the “hooches” on the strip that moment how you showed us (me Terri Brenda) how to dance a certain way &we should have bet money. You were class act when it come to being a great Aunt to my Big Red (Brady) /little Red( Brody) and even Brad at age 5 -7 when he fell or jumped off of Genie and we though he broke his arm. He was so upset he thought he couldn’t play pre wee sports and I think his opinion of horses became “they cost too much& they stink. So I bought a few more lol. Thank you for always keeping us safe (so i thought at the time). One thing is for sure I would not have been on any wagon drive. MY ENITE LIFE FROM AGE 5 if my Uncles weren’t there to make me feel safe for myself and my kiddos. I love you dearly and I will send some jokes thru prayer. See you when we see you!!! (Bobbie)

**Melissa Graves (Bobbie)** - January 11, 2024 at 06:22 PM

BV

“Randy,, lots of heavy hearts, but why wouldn't there be?? You were one of the most kindest, true hearted friend that I ever had. Shaylee and I were so lucky to have you in our lives right along with Cisco!! Shaylee will forever remember your dear horse. We will miss you and never forget you.... My condolences to the family❤️



**Becky Verschoor** - January 09, 2024 at 11:45 PM

PM

“Patricia M. purchased the Lavender & White Sympathy Floor Basket for the family of Randy "Rando" Richard Hickson.



**Patricia M.** - January 09, 2024 at 11:08 AM



“Blue & White Sympathy Floor Basket was purchased for the family of Randy "Rando" Richard Hickson.



January 09, 2024 at 10:55 AM

WT

“ Walmart Team purchased the Classic Sympathy Dish Garden for the family of Randy "Rando" Richard Hickson.



Walmart Team - January 09, 2024 at 09:35 AM



“ Blue & White Sympathy Floor Basket was purchased for the family of Randy "Rando" Richard Hickson.



January 08, 2024 at 04:18 PM

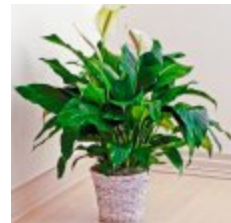
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“ Uncle Harry's Kids, Grandkids and Greats planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Randy "Rando" Richard Hickson.

Uncle Harry's Kids, Grandkids and Greats - January 08, 2024 at 04:18 PM



“ Floor Plant for Sympathy was purchased for the family of Randy "Rando" Richard Hickson.



January 08, 2024 at 01:59 PM

LL

“ Larry Williams Trucking, LLC planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Randy "Rando" Richard Hickson.

Larry Williams Trucking, LLC - January 08, 2024 at 01:59 PM



“ Classic Sympathy Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Randy "Rando" Richard Hickson.



January 08, 2024 at 10:47 AM

BA

“ Hero to many, freind to all.  
Proud to call him my brother

Becky Arnold - January 07, 2024 at 09:59 PM

SH

“ No such thing as fear! 60th birthday excitement!!



Shelly Hickson - January 07, 2024 at 09:10 PM



“ *Peace, Prayers, & Blessings- Lavender and White was purchased for the family of Randy "Rando" Richard Hickson.*



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January 07, 2024 at 04:29 PM



“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



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**Krystal** - January 07, 2024 at 12:22 PM

BJ

“ Much of what I know of horses came from him. He rode Rain in the chuck wagon races, sale barns, etc. he was more than just an Uncle. Ron and Rando are the ones who taught me how to swing a lariat rope, they built me a full metal roping dummy when I was probably 9-10 years old and we would sit in Ron’s front yard in maysville while they both gave me pointers. I have so many more memories with him and of him than I could even share. We danced, we rode, we laughed. At chuck wagon races he would drink boons farm straight from the bottle with no shame that he was drinking that instead of beer like the rest of the cowboys. I’m so thankful to have known him in the way I got to and that I got to spend a lot of time with him over the years.

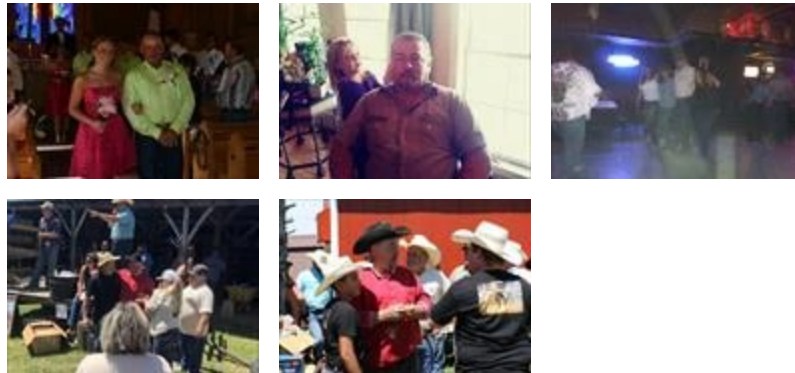


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Bailey Jennings - January 07, 2024 at 12:00 PM

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Amber - January 07, 2024 at 10:05 AM



“ *Peace, Prayers & Blessings - Blue and White was purchased for the family of Randy "Rando" Richard Hickson.*



January 06, 2024 at 01:52 PM

RC

“ *I know Randy loved rodeos and playing music. I had the great opportunity to sit and play some tunes with him while he was visiting his sister and family in No. Iowa. We spent several hours sharing songs and visiting. RIP Randy, you have a permanent memory in my mind.*

Richard Chrestensen - January 06, 2024 at 12:49 PM

FL

“ *So sorry to hear this. Prayers for all the family. May God comfort all in this difficult time.*

Florà Lue - January 06, 2024 at 09:44 AM

MW

“ so sorry to hear of this he was a true cowboy rode for the brand cowboys dont say goodbye they say see you later see you later pard

mark wilkins - January 06, 2024 at 08:48 AM

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Thank you for always being there for our family.

Melissa Graves (Bobbie) - January 11, 2024 at 09:01 PM



“ Healing Tears - Lavender and White was purchased for the family of Randy "Rando" Richard Hickson.



January 05, 2024 at 08:07 PM

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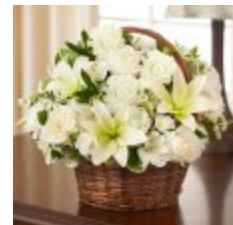
“ Liz Reading lit a candle in memory of Randy Hickson



Liz Reading - January 05, 2024 at 08:07 PM



“ Peace, Prayers, & Blessings- All White was purchased for the family of Randy "Rando" Richard Hickson.



January 05, 2024 at 07:15 PM

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“ *The Teague Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Randy "Rando" Richard Hickson.*

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**The Teague Family** - January 05, 2024 at 07:15 PM