



Richard Roper Sims

September 27, 1948 - March 29, 2019

As a believer of Jesus Christ as his personal Savior, Richard "Rick" Roper Sims went home to be with the Lord on March 29, 2019. He was 70 years old. Rick was born on September 27, 1948 to his parents, Howard T. and Helen Sims. He graduated from Hewitt Trussville High School in May 1967, and married the love of his life, Pat Farmer, on July 1967.

Rick worked at Steel City Crane & Erections until retiring in January of 2000, and he dedicated his remaining time to educating and caring for his grandchildren. Using dominos and a deck of playing cards, he went about ensuring that his grandchildren had a well-rounded education. He also served God and his church as a deacon and taught almost every age group over the years. Never meeting a stranger, Rick was a cowboy at heart. His passion for animals and nature was only superseded by his overwhelming love of God and his family. He loved his family so much, he immortalized some by naming bulls and donkeys after them. Rick is survived by his wife, Pat Sims; his daughter and son-in-law, Kelly and John Culwell; his son and daughter-in-law, Eric and Heather Sims; his sisters, Anita Connell and Brenda Cross; his brother, Larry Sims; and six grandchildren, JR Culwell, Jesse Culwell, Jake Culwell, Justin Culwell, Kaylee Sims and Zander Sims and a host of nieces, nephews and friends too numerous to list. He is preceded in death by his parents and his brother, James Sims.

We will be celebrating his life in a memorial service on Wednesday, April 3, 2019 at Sulphur Springs Baptist Church, 7500 Roper Road, Trussville, AL

35173. Visitation will be held from 10:30 – 11:30 with the service beginning at 11:30. All are welcome to attend and celebrate Rick's life. In lieu of flowers, the family asks to please donate Bibles to Gideons International.

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 3. 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM (CT)

Sulphur Springs Baptist Church
7500 Roper Road
Trussville, AL 35173

Celebration of Life

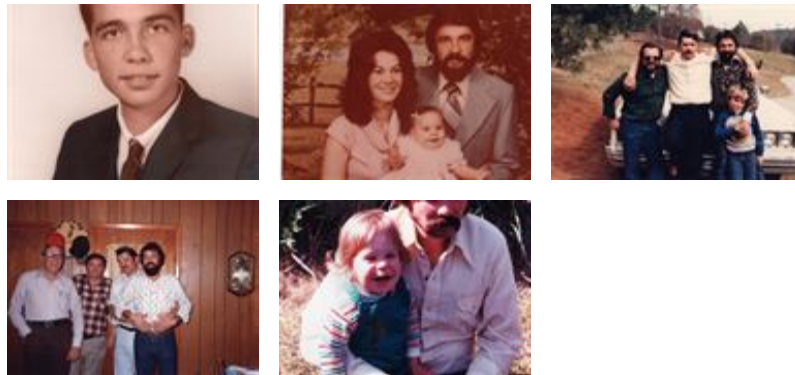
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Tribute Wall



“ 136 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Deerfoot Memorial Funeral Home - April 04, 2019 at 12:39 PM



“ *My uncle Ricky was always a part of my childhood. He and my Aunt Pat were the couple I always looked up to . I'm sure my love for Appaloosa horses came from hanging out with my Uncle Ricky, he always had an Appaloosa. Now I have 3! Love and miss you Uncle Ricky !*

Tracy Lochridge - April 02, 2019 at 08:47 PM



“ *Brother I will miss you so much our calls every Sunday morning at 10 our visits on Wednesdays. I love you your baby sister*

Anita Connell - April 02, 2019 at 02:48 PM

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“ *Steve and Mary Skelton and family purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of Richard Roper Sims.*



Steve and Mary Skelton and family - April 02, 2019 at 11:19 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Richard Roper Sims.*



April 02, 2019 at 10:55 AM