



Ralph Degenhardt

July 17, 1948 - July 22, 2024

Ralph, age 76, passed away on Monday, July 22, 2024. He was a resident of Independence, LA. Ralph was a hard working man who dedicated many years as a truck driver. He took great pride in providing for his family. Ralph was an honest country man who enjoyed the outdoors. He liked to hunt and fish and spend as much time on his horses as possible. Ralph enjoyed watching westerns and was a huge John Wayne fan. He was truly one of a kind and kept his family on their toes. Ralph adored his children and grandchildren and never missed an opportunity to spend time with them. He left his family with a lifetime of wonderful memories and will be deeply missed.

He is survived by his kids, Frank and Amanda Degenhardt; step-kids, Dawn and Jannine Ballard, Wayne Ballard Jr. (Jennifer); grandkids, Tyler Degenhardt (Megan), Heather, Lane, and Bayley Degenhardt, Rebekah and Brian Graef, Trent and Treana Blount, Megan Palmer (Adam), Devin Shurley (Lacie), Ciara Ballard, Dominic Ballard; great-grandkids, Tate Degenhardt, Brock and Brennan Palmer; siblings, Becky Ballard, Elsie Bankston; and ex wife, Pat Degenhardt.

Ralph is preceded in death by his wife, Shirley Degenhardt; kids, Melissa and Jason Degenhardt; grandkids, Caleb Degenhardt, Jaime Shurley; parents, Dewitt and Elaine Degenhardt; and siblings, Pete Fletcher, and Pearly "Tiny" Hughes.

Relatives and friends of the family are invited to attend the visitation at Brandon G. Thompson Funeral Home at 12012 Hwy 190 W. Hammond, LA 70403 of Friday, July 26, 2024 from 9:00 a.m. until the funeral service at 12:00 p.m. Pastor Jerry Hughes will officiate with interment to follow in Antioch Baptist Church Cemetery.

Cemetery Details

Antioch Baptist Church Cemetery

Antioch Church Road
Tickfaw, LA

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL **26.** 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Brandon G Thompson Funeral Home Hammond
12012 Hwy 190 West
Hammond, LA 70401

Funeral Service

JUL **26.** 12:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ I I am so glad that I knew uncle Ralph. He was a great man in person he was Great man to be around while you were working we are in good times on jobs but the best times I had riding horses with him and watching Heather and Kaci playing baseball growing up together and hitting Home runs for Albany high school so proud he was of his grandkids and his kids. Love you, Uncle, going to miss you God bless you, Frankie and you're whole family and everything y'all going through. Love you Buddy. God bless you Jesus name amen.

Wilton Payne - July 25, 2024 at 03:02 AM