



## Richard Hayes

May 18, 1960 - July 1, 2023

Born May 18, 1960 in Paris, Tennessee, he was proud to be a Tennessean. You could always find him cheering for the home teams: the Tennessee Volunteers, the Titans, and the Predators. He never met a stranger he couldn't talk to, nor a truck or machine he couldn't operate. He was most proud of his daughter, Krista, and his granddaughter, Kendra. After retiring from the State of Tennessee Highway Department, he spent most of his time helping his daughter, Krista, catering to his granddaughter, Kendra and caring for his mother. Nothing made him happier than helping others, especially if that meant he could go somewhere in his truck and talk to everyone he met along the way.

Mr. Hayes is predeceased by his grandparents, Lee and Ethel Hayes and John and Bertha Stokes and his father, Warren G. Hayes.

Mr. Hayes is survived by his mother, Mary S. Hayes, daughter, Krista, granddaughter, Kendra, and sister Marilyn. He is also survived by one uncle, Jack Stokes, and a multitude of cousins scattered from Tennessee to California. He met and connected instantly with his biological half-brother a couple of years ago, and a biological half-sister earlier this year. He was blessed with family and friends that will miss him dearly.

Per his wishes, there will be a graveside service only. It will be held

Wednesday, July 5, 2023 at 2pm in the Springfield Memorial Gardens.

In lieu of flowers, please embrace your loved ones, reconnect with family and friends, and smile, at the very least, at the strangers you meet along the path of life. You never know when one friendly word can make all the difference in someone's day or week.

Austin & Bell Funeral Home in Springfield is in charge of these arrangements.

AUSTIN & BELL FUNERAL HOME-

509 WALNUT STREET, SPRINGFIELD, TN (615) 384-1000

# Cemetery Details

## Springfield Memorial Gardens

Springfield, TN 37172

# Previous Events

## Graveside Service

JUL 5. 2:00 PM (CT)

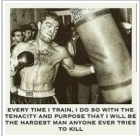
Springfield Memorial Gardens  
Springfield, TN 37172

# Tribute Wall

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“ I have known Ricky since we met and his mother and Dads in the 60s on a visit to Springfield at their home. My parents and Warren and Mary were dear friends. Ricky and I have run into each other many times after moving back to Springfield in 2000 and also at my church. He always he loved the girls so much. I will never forget his smile and our shared times as we would run into each other everywhere. His dad Dr. Warren Hayes and mother Mary have always been so special also I met Marilyn also around the same time as Ricky. I just tonight read of his death and am so very very sorry. I know he is in a much better place and has gotten his wings. Rest in peace my friend. Debbie Taylor

Debbie Taylor - July 16, 2023 at 08:59 PM



“ As good a fella as ever known R I P Rick.

Jimmy Lemley - July 07, 2023 at 02:17 PM

SS

“ Sandra Redfern Suter lit a candle in memory of Richard Hayes



Sandra Redfern Suter - July 05, 2023 at 09:10 AM

LB

“ Lance B. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Richard Hayes.

Lance B. - July 04, 2023 at 11:14 AM



“ *Ricky was a special person, and never met a stranger! He will greatly missed! He was always lending help to anyone he met. Spoke to him recently and he had his beloved granddaughter with him. Go rest Ricky!*

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**Jane Wilkerson** - July 03, 2023 at 08:00 PM