



Richard West "Dick" Berry, Sr.

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A memorial service for Richard West "Dick" Berry, Sr, 75, will be held on Tuesday, May 22, 2012 at First Baptist Church in Leesville, LA at 2:00 pm. Visitation will begin at 1:00 pm at the church. Dick passed away on Saturday, May 19, 2012.

Dick was born on November 7, 1936 in DeRidder, LA. He was a retired businessman and worked many years in the retail industry in his family business with Gibson's department stores with locations in Clute, Nacogdoches, TX, Leesville, Marksville and Jena, LA.

After his retirement he spent his time working with the LHS Alumni Association. He was a 1954 graduate of Leesville High School and a founding member of the Alumni Association. He served in numerous positions with the association including three terms as President. He was instrumental in growing the association and coordinating the annual alumni homecoming activities. He was honored as Alumnus of the Year in 1980. He was very supportive of the Alumni Association and enjoyed the many reunions with his classmates and other friends.

He was an active member of the community, having served as Chairman of the Vernon Parish Housing Authority and a member of the Anacoco Prairie Game and Fish Commission.

Dick was preceded in death by his parents, T.L. Berry, Sr. and Denise West Berry of Leesville; his son, Richard W. "Dicky" Berry, Jr., and Brother Donny Berry. He is survived by his wife, Patricia Hanchey Berry of Leesville; his daughters and son-in-laws, Lisa and Greg "Frank" Franklin of Anacoco and Denise and Eddie Esserman of St. Simon Island, GA; son and daughter-in-law, Jimmy and Marty Berry of Lake Charles; brothers, T. L. "Sonny" Berry, Jr., and Randy Berry; Granddaughter Tiffany Franklin Koch and husband Nathan; granddaughter Hanna Esserman and grandsons, James and Matthew Berry.

The family requests that in lieu of flowers, donations be made to the Richard W. "Dick" Berry Sr. Memorial Scholarship Fund, PO Box 1381, Leesville, Louisiana, 71496.



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DC

Don & Pat Cummins posted:

Lisa and Family, Jenny emailed us about the passing of your Dad. Our prayers and thoughts are with you. So sorry for the loss. Don & Pat Cummins

May 24 at 7:00 PM

TB

Tommy Bourgeois posted:

Jimmy, Shocked to hear about your dad. Loved him lots. Had some great times with him and mom. Tell mom and family my prayers are with them and you.

May 22 at 7:00 PM

RO

Rosemary posted:

A true gentleman. Sympathy to all his family.

May 22 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

We are so sorry for your loss. It is truly a loss to all of us. We will miss him at the reunions for sure but also as a really good person and friend. On behalf of the Class of 1956, we will always remember him with love and respect. Charlotte and Bobby Smith (1956).

May 22 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

So sorry to read of Dick's passing. We remember the good times as neighbors in Pineville. Bobby and Faye Aycock

May 21 at 7:00 PM

RT

Ruth Taylor posted:

So sorry for your loss, he sure will be missed. He was loved very much.

May 21 at 7:00 PM



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MP

Merrick Pierce posted:

Sorry for your loss, our prayers will be with your family.

May 20 at 7:00 PM

CF

Charles Fisher posted:

My sincere condolences to the entire Berry in the loss of their loved one.

May 20 at 7:00 PM

SS

Sheelagh Sullivan posted:

Please accept my condolences at this this most difficult time. My thoughts and prayers are with you.

May 19 at 7:00 PM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Richard by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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