



Richard Paul Baker

May 3, 1965 - May 22, 2025

Richard Paul Baker of Deatsville, Alabama and formerly of Selma, passed away Thursday, May 22, 2025 at the age of 60. He was born May 3, 1965 to the late Joseph and Katherine Baker. Ricky lived a life characterized by tireless generosity and an unwavering commitment to helping others. He guided his path with a simple yet profound philosophy: if someone needed assistance, he would be there, ready and willing to lend a hand. A proud 1983 graduate of Selma High School, Ricky went on to dedicate over 40 years of his life to Bahakel Communications. As a traffic coordinator, he orchestrated the intricate logistics of the television stations in the Montgomery area, seamlessly fitting commercials and programs together like pieces of a grand puzzle. His work was a testament to his problem-solving prowess and his capability as a jack of all trades. Whether tackling technical issues or getting his hands dirty in construction, Ricky had an innate ability to find solutions and get things done. In addition to his professional achievements, Ricky was passionate about a wide variety of hobbies. His love for tinkering was evident in the countless hours he spent in his shop, welding away or working on vehicles, his cherished RV, and various mechanical projects. He found peace and solace in the outdoors, relishing adventures while deer hunting or casting lines for catfish in the river. These moments by the water brought him joy, where he could unwind from the demands of daily life and reconnect with nature. Ricky's proudest accomplishments were not measured solely by his career success but shone brightly through the countless projects he undertook

to support his friends and family. His skillful hands built decks, erected privacy fences, and provided assistance wherever it was needed. He was determined to see his loved ones happy and comfortable, often going above and beyond to ensure their needs were met. In every interaction—whether through a kind word, a helping hand, or a heartfelt laugh—Ricky left an indelible mark on everyone he encountered. His spirit of generosity and his ability to bring people together will not soon be forgotten. He truly embodied the essence of a good neighbor and friend and was loved by all who had the privilege to know him. He was preceded in death by his brother, Joey Baker. He is survived by his loving wife of 11 years, Cindy Baker; sons, Richard Alex Baker, Cameron (Kelsey) McLeod and Corey (Santina) McLeod; grandchildren, Hunter McLeod, Cooper McLeod and Lauren McLeod; sisters, Sylvia (Gene) McCormick and Christina (Emmett) Pitts; brother, Tommy (Tara) Baker; friend, Lisa Hicks Sexton and numerous nieces, nephews and cousins. Funeral services will be Sunday, May 25, 2025 at 1:00 p.m. from Prattville Memorial Chapel with Rev. Leroy Cole officiating. Burial will follow at Pineview Memory Gardens in Valley Grande. The family will receive friends at the funeral home chapel, beginning at 12:00 p.m., prior to the service. Pallbearers will be Corey McLeod, Clifton Pitts, Phillip Baker, Brandon Smith, Eddie Blair and Dave Robinson. Honorary Pallbearers will be Cameron McLeod, Hunter McLeod, Cooper McLeod, William Baker, Preston Jones, Joseph Baker and Mark Smith.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 25. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Prattville Memorial Chapel
841 Fairview Avenue
Prattville, AL 36066
(334) 365-7147
prattvillememorial@live.com

Service

MAY 25. 1:00 PM (CT)

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Graveside Service

MAY 25. 3:00 PM (CT)

Pineview Memory Gardens
5171 Alabama 22
Valley Grande, AL 36703

Tribute Wall



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Richard Paul Baker.

May 24, 2025 at 09:43 AM



“ Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Richard Paul Baker.



May 24, 2025 at 09:43 AM



“ Ricky will always be special to our family. There are so many memories that we will always cherish. He was truly a very giving and caring man. RIP my friend. See you on the other side.

Tammy Frith Lacy - May 23, 2025 at 05:30 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Richard Paul Baker.



May 23, 2025 at 03:07 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Richard Paul Baker.

May 23, 2025 at 02:43 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Richard Paul Baker.



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