



Richard Lee Brent

February 7, 1947 - September 12, 2025

Richard Lee Brent, 78, of Conroe, Texas, peacefully passed away on September 12, 2025, after a brief illness. He leaves behind a legacy of love, kindness, generosity, and unforgettable memories that will continue to inspire all who knew him.

Richard was born in Trinity, Texas, on February 7, 1947, and raised in Conroe, Texas. After completing high school, he proudly enlisted in the U.S. Navy, serving aboard the USS Montrose (APA-212) in the ship's store and supply. Throughout his service, Richard demonstrated dedication and courage, earning several medals, including the Bronze Star, a testament to his bravery and commitment.

Richard discovered his professional calling in sales, where his outgoing personality, quick smile, and natural ability to connect with people made him a leader. He built a strong real estate career on hard work, honest conversations, and a deep sense of loyalty.

With his booming laugh, his love for sharing good times with family and friends, and his signature phrase 'groovy,' Richard had a special way of bringing joy, warmth, and laughter wherever he went.

An avid hunter and fisherman, Richard treasured his time on the deer lease, casting a line on the water, and gathering around the campfire with friends. Over the years, he mentored many young men while enjoying the outdoors and his favorite pastimes.

Richard was a member of Conroe Masonic Lodge #748, where he was raised

a Master Mason. He would continue his work in masonry with the Scottish Rite, obtaining the 32nd degree.

He was preceded in death by his cherished wife of 36 years, Karen Nichols Brent; his daughter, Brandi Brent Carlile; his parents, Clyde Lee Brent and Irene Smith Brent; and his brother, Howard Brent. Their memories remained close to his heart throughout his life.

He leaves behind a loving circle of family and friends who will forever cherish his memory: his son, Sam Senior; grandchildren, Brandon Fick, Brooke Fick, and Kenady Carlile; his sister and brother-in-law, Mary and Allan Burson; his sister-in-law, Darin Bailey, and her husband, Beryl; his cherished bonus family —Tamarah Courtright Curtis, Koty Curtis, Trinity Courtright and Jenny Guinn Bosley; along with nieces, nephews, and a host of friends whom Richard loved deeply, embracing them all as family.

A visitation will be held on Wednesday, September 24, 2025, beginning at 1:00 PM, followed by a memorial service at 2:00 PM.

In lieu of customary remembrances, donations may be made in Richard's name and directed to: St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105 or online at <https://www.stjude.org/donate>.

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **24.** 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home - Willis
10129 FM 1097 Rd. W
Willis, TX 77318

Memorial

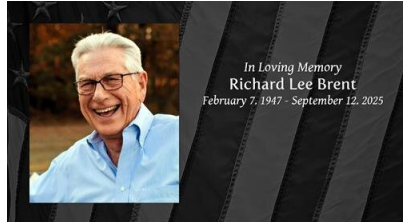
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Tribute Wall



“ *Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Richard Lee Brent*



Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home - September 24, 2025 at 04:05 PM

CF

“ *Meeting Richard in 2012 when J Ross Martin Opened the Red Brick Tavern. Those years we saw Richard and his wife so often. And when she passed I think he found Comfort coming to the Red Brick. The staff and J Ross Loved him Dearly We All just Loved Him. Kind, Generous and Funny. And Did so many things outside of Red Brick. We were All the Best of Friends and Family. He was One of a Kind. RIP sweet friend. ❤️🙏*

Colleen Fitzpatrick - September 19, 2025 at 04:54 AM

MF

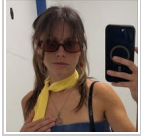
Richard was a breath of fresh air. We shared a love of History and Reading and all things Astros !!! You will be so missed by so many.

Marion Franke - September 19, 2025 at 10:49 AM

LO

“ *Rest in Peace!! I will always remember his sweet smile and always happy*

Linda Owens - September 18, 2025 at 08:56 PM



“ Just a few of my cherished memories with my PawPaw from our Florida vacation, trivia nights at Pacific Yard House, and my college soccer games. He was and always will be the grooviest guy I know
❤️



Kenady Carlile - September 18, 2025 at 07:57 PM

JD

Many, many great memories, a true friend, fellow veteran and real estate broker extraordinary. Rest in Paradise my friend.

James W. Dinkins - September 19, 2025 at 10:39 AM

FS

Such sad news to receive over the net this morning. No wonder I haven't received no letters back. Little did we know you might have been having health issues. I would have loved to had one more visit with you before your departure Slick as you called yourself back aboard Ship during our tour aboard the USS MONTROSE APA 212..In your last note I received from you, you told me that you were also stationed aboard a LST Ship stationed in Mekong Delta like I was on my last tour of duty in Viet Nam.Oh how I would have loved to had at least a short visit before you were called home my friend. Our day will come and we will have that visit sooner than either of us think. So until then SLICK, rest in peace for I have the Watch and we will meet again in DAVY JONES LOCKER CLUB. Fred and DeeDee Salmon

Fred Salmon - September 19, 2025 at 11:22 AM

SC

“ For many years Richard and I were neighbors and he was a true genuine friend whom I was blessed to know.
RIP RICHARD!

Sandra Cochran - September 17, 2025 at 09:12 AM

TS

“ A true Gentleman and Friend. Will miss playing dominoes with him.
May you rest in peace.

Tom Sellars - September 16, 2025 at 01:16 PM

SS

“ Rest easy old friend.

Steven Seward - September 16, 2025 at 06:57 AM