



Richard Sanders

August 14, 1946 - July 19, 2020

Richard Sanders passed away July 19, 2020, at his home in Riverside, Texas. Richard wishes to spend eternity among nature, so his ashes will be spread by his sons at a later date. He was born August 14, 1946, in Houston, Texas to David and Pauline Sanders.

Richard was a talented mechanic, master welder, and metal artist. He began his career as a pipefitter in Houston, teaching himself Calculus and Trigonometry in order to hone his welding skills. Craig & Heidt, Inc. of Houston was home to his longest place of employment, spanning more than 30 years. Charlie Craig, one of the founders of the company, and Richard remained close friends after his retirement.

His other hobbies included trotline catfishing, cooking for huge fish fry events, antique car/toy restoration and collection, smoking outstanding barbecue brisket, and as a younger man, drag car racing. He briefly held the land speed record for a drag car in Mexico.

He was an avid reader and his favorite author was Cormac McCarthy. Richard was known for his delivery of a great joke, and he always had a huge library of new ones to share.

For all of his talents and interests in life, none of those topped the love for his dogs. Richard always had one or more at all times from a large variety of mixed breeds. Richard loved his family and is survived by his sons and their wives, Allen and Marlayna, Todd and Sarah, Ryan "Scott" and Ginger; five grandchildren, Lauren, Reid, Morgan, Avery, and Jack; two great-

grandchildren, Rebekah, Declan; brother and his wife, James and Jeanette, sister, Pamela; sister, Becky; ex-wife Dawn; and many aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins, and other family. He was preceded in death by his sister, Patsy.

Memorial condolences to the family may be made at www.shmfh.com

Tribute Wall



“ *Richard Sanders*

November 15, 2022 at 08:33 PM



“ *Dad was a unique man. We miss you and your conversation - I wish I could still ask you for your advice.*

Forever,

Scott

Scott - August 19, 2020 at 03:51 PM



“ *We had many good memories & the best ones were when our 3 boys were born and we raised them together. Richard taught them many good skills.*

Dawn Adams - July 24, 2020 at 07:06 AM



“ *James and I want to send our thoughts and prayers to the family. We have good memories of the Sanders Family as the boys grew up with our children in Montgomery. We are so glad that the kids have stayed in touch over the years. May God bless you all during this most difficult time.*

*James and Ann Smith
Dobbin, Texas*

Ann Smith - July 23, 2020 at 04:30 PM

WM

“ Where do you start? Uncle Richard taking me fishing? Out on the boat ? Teaching me about the difference in tire sizes affecting fuel economy on a truck? Helping him work on a lawn mower? The way he'd flick his false teeth at people? Teasing me about growing a mustache ... "fweffy got a mustache" Lol....
I'll just say Uncle Richard , thank you for many years of great memories that will always last.
Love ya unc 🙏



Wesley Martinez - July 21, 2020 at 10:19 PM

RS

Thanks Wesley

Ryan "Scott" Sanders - August 11, 2020 at 05:40 PM

JS

“ Your dad was a part of a generation of parents who survived raising US! I have many memories ranging from hilarity to scared to death, all rightly deserved! He helped us all turn into the men we are today, I will be forever grateful that he took the time to give us what we needed, when we needed it! Thoughts and prayers for your entire family! Jim Smith

Jim Smith - July 21, 2020 at 08:54 PM

EC

“ Earl A & Sherry Carter lit a candle in memory of Richard Sanders



Earl A & Sherry Carter - July 21, 2020 at 07:15 PM

MH

“ *M. Hyvl sent a virtual gift in memory of Richard Sanders*



M. Hyvl - July 21, 2020 at 01:47 PM