



Richard Thomas Sikes

July 22, 1939 - April 7, 2026

It is with heavy hearts and deep respect that we announce the passing of Richard Thomas Sikes, beloved husband, father, grandfather, brother, and friend, who peacefully departed this world on April 7, 2026, at the age of 86. Born on July 22, 1939, in Greenville, Texas, Richard was the cherished son of William and Mertie Sikes, both of whom predeceased him. His life was a testament to kindness, dedication, and service to others.

Richard's early years in Greenville were shaped by a loving family and a strong sense of community. He shared his childhood with brothers William Arnold, JD, Marvin, David Scott and Mike, and sisters Minnie Lucy, Patricia, Juanita, and Margaret. A graduate of Galena Park High School in 1956, he pursued higher education and earned an Associate's Degree from San Jacinto College.

His patriotic spirit led him to serve in the United States Army and the Texas National Guard, where he demonstrated courage and loyalty. Richard's professional life began at Houston Lighting & Power (Reliant Energy), where he embarked on a remarkable 41-year career. Starting as a meter reader, he rose through the ranks to work in power generation plants and later at the dispatch and control center. Even after retirement, Richard's expertise continued to benefit others as he consulted for power companies. However, his heart found its true calling when he began working with the SPED

Program in the Montgomery Independent School District, a role he found most fulfilling.

On November 28, 1966, Richard married the love of his life, Marjorie Jane Lucius Sikes, with whom he shared nearly six decades of unwavering devotion. Together, they raised two wonderful sons, Daniel (Diane) and David (Stacy), who carry forward his legacy of integrity and compassion. Richard was a proud grandfather to Jillian, Everette, and Lauren, who brought immense joy to his life.

A man of deep faith, Richard was an active member of the First Baptist Church of Willis, where he served as Deacon and Sunday School Teacher, touching countless lives with his wisdom and kindness. Known for his boundless generosity, Richard never met a stranger. He was always ready with advice, mentorship, or a spirited conversation about sports, politics, or his faith.

Richard's passion for helping others and cherishing moments with family and friends defined his life. His warmth and infectious laughter will be dearly missed by those who knew and loved him, including his brothers Marvin and Mike, sisters Patricia, Juanita, and Margaret, and his many nieces and nephews.

A service celebrating Richard's life will be held on April 15, 2026, at 2:00 PM at Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home, located at 10129 FM 1097, Willis, TX 77318. The family extends a special message in his memory, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant."

As we gather to honor Richard's remarkable journey, we remember a man whose life was a testament to faith, love, and service. His legacy will live on in the hearts of all who had the privilege of knowing him. May he rest in eternal

peace.

Previous Events

Service

APR 15. 2:00 PM (CT)

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

Tribute Wall



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Richard Thomas Sikes.*



April 14 at 07:12 PM



“ *Oxy Prod Ops and Bravo Team planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Richard Thomas Sikes.*

Oxy Prod Ops and Bravo Team - April 14 at 02:49 PM



“ *Oxy Prod Ops and Bravo Team purchased the [Magnificent Life Spray](#) for the family of Richard Thomas Sikes.*



Oxy Prod Ops and Bravo Team - April 14 at 02:49 PM



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

April 14 at 01:12 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Richard Thomas Sikes.*



April 14 at 01:12 PM



“ *Sam & Gina McGinty purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Richard Thomas Sikes.*



Sam & Gina McGinty - April 13 at 10:05 PM



“ *The Warriner Family purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Richard Thomas Sikes.*



The Warriner Family - April 13 at 08:52 PM



“ *The Warriner Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Richard Thomas Sikes.*

The Warriner Family - April 13 at 08:52 PM

PK

“ Patricia & Rodney Kuchar purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Richard Thomas Sikes.



Patricia & Rodney Kuchar - April 13 at 06:57 PM



“ Days of Sunshine Bouquet was purchased for the family of Richard Thomas Sikes.



April 13 at 04:32 PM

CL

“ Cary & Leanna purchased the Simply Elegant Sp athiphyllum for the family of Richard Thomas Sikes.



Cary & Leanna - April 13 at 02:39 AM



“ Angel's Embrace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Richard Thomas Sikes.



April 12 at 03:43 PM

LB

“ Lamar & Judy Birdwell planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Richard Thomas Sikes.

Lamar & Judy Birdwell - April 12 at 02:07 PM

LB

“ Lamar & Judy Birdwell purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Richard Thomas Sikes.



Lamar & Judy Birdwell - April 12 at 02:07 PM



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

April 11 at 11:35 AM



“ Distinguished Service Casket Spray was purchased for the family of Richard Thomas Sikes.



April 11 at 11:35 AM

DS

“ *Diane Sikes lit a candle in memory of Richard Thomas Sikes*



Diane Sikes - April 11 at 11:20 AM

DS

Love you Mr. Sikes.

Diane Sikes - April 11 at 11:21 AM

DT

“ *Dianna Williams Thomas purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Richard Thomas Sikes.*



Dianna Williams Thomas - April 10 at 10:09 PM

DS

“ *The best Father in Law a girl could ask for. He will be so missed and forever in our hearts. ❤️🙏*



Diane Sikes - April 10 at 07:29 PM