



David (Dave) Hicks

March 17, 1947 - September 1, 2017

David (Dave) L Hicks, Sr., 70, of Hot Springs passed away Friday September 1, 2017. He was born March 17, 1947 in Knoxville, TN. He is predeceased by his parents, James Melvin Hicks, Sr. and Marion Vann Hicks Cate. Dave was a member of Black Oaks Heights Baptist Church in Knoxville and was a Mason with Charles H. McKinney Lodge #433.

He is survived by his loving wife, Karen Hicks of Hot Springs, AR; his son, David L. Hicks, Jr., and partner, Joey Tate of Knoxville; his daughter, Stephanie Reagan and husband Todd of Plant City, FL ; two beautiful granddaughters, Lindsey Martinez and husband Ivan of Lemoore, CA, and Ashton Brewer and husband Devin of Plant City, FL; his brother, James Melvin Hicks, Jr. of Nashville; brother-in-law, Bob Shipley of Knoxville and his sister, Sandra Lawson of Knoxville as well as many nieces and nephews. He is also leaving behind his family in Pennsylvania, Nicole and Evan Bottomley, and grandchildren, Sydney Bottomley and Damen Crowe.

Dave was employed for 27 years as a Carman & Assistant Department Foreman with the L & N Railroad in Knoxville, Dept. Foreman with Seaboard System RR and General Foreman with CSX Transportation. He was also employed for 15 years with US DOT, Federal Railroad Administration and worked as a Motive Power and Equipment Inspector in New York and in Arkansas.

His friends all called him Super Dave since there was no job too large that he couldn't tackle. As Dave always said - "I'm a Master Mechanic and I have a certificate for that!"

Dave was never one to sit still. He enjoyed snowmobiling in New York and in Arkansas he went 4-wheeling, and his favorite past time was boating on Lake Hamilton. He was a member of the "Red-neck Yacht Club".

His wish is that all his friends have a large party and have a cold one for him! He will be truly missed.

Services will be 2:00 P.M. Tuesday, September 5th at Hot Springs Funeral Home. Entombment will be at Memorial Gardens.

Pallbearers are David Hicks Jr., Clay Matchett, Todd Matchett, Ralph Cross, Larry Onstott, and Jerry Clenney.

Honorary Pallbearers are Todd Reagan, Joey Tate, Tom McGuire, Mike McGuire, and the Bleu Monkey Grill Friends.

Tribute Wall

DL

“ Karen, I was so sad to hear about Dave's passing. His smile will be missed by many. He was always so fun and happy to be around. I'll never forget when you guys came to Fayetteville in the big storm delayed Ark vs. Tenn game and stayed with me. OP will never be the same either. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.

Love ya,

David J. Lipsmeyer

David J Lipsmeyer - September 06, 2017 at 01:17 PM

DJ

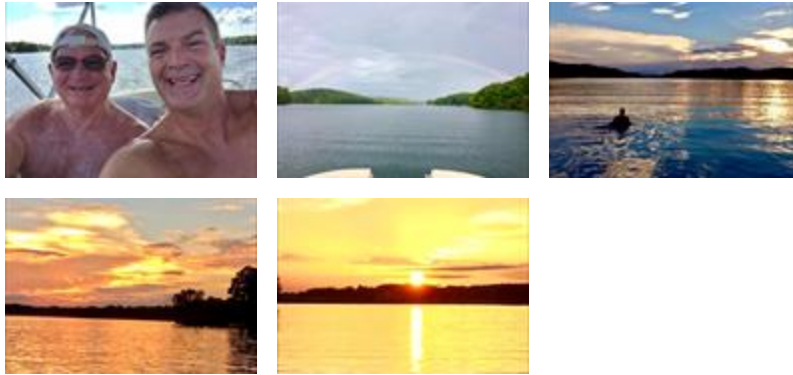
“ More pics I had on my phone that I thought people would enjoy.



Davy Lynn Hicks, Jr. - September 05, 2017 at 01:40 AM

DJ

“ *This was probably the most amazing day/evening on the boat. The rainbow stretching across the lake and the sunset was incredible!! So glad we got to experience an Amazing time on the boat!!*



Davy Lynn Hicks, Jr. - September 05, 2017 at 01:31 AM

CT

“ *I have many fond and fun memories of David. He was family, like a brother to me. My brother-in-law for many years. Oh we had some good times playing Rook, watching scary movies, going to the Smoky Mountains, going to tropical fish stores and vacations. David was Big Dave to my son. He was a railroad man who loved his job. He was a TN Vol and loved TN football. I will never forget you David, I am glad I knew you and glad you were a big part of my life. I wish we had stayed in touch. Rest in peace.*



Celeste Troutman - September 03, 2017 at 09:21 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray* was purchased for the family of David (Dave) Hicks.



September 03, 2017 at 07:20 PM



“ *Summer's Light Bouquet* was purchased for the family of David (Dave) Hicks.



September 03, 2017 at 07:10 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket* was purchased for the family of David (Dave) Hicks.



September 03, 2017 at 05:55 PM

DJ

“ *Some great pics of wonderful memories!!*



Davy Lynn Hicks, Jr. - September 03, 2017 at 03:17 PM

RC

“ *Going to miss my text from Dave, Winning pictures! Always fun to wake up and see pictures of you! Shooting pool! You were amazing last month, unstoppable. Your birthdays, motor boating! Your calls and prayers for our Ava, you always kept up with everything. The list goes on and on. Thankful for your friendship, stories and memories.*



Rhonda Clenney - September 03, 2017 at 02:43 PM

RC

“ Some of our monkey group and one of many pictures on the lake.



Rhonda Clenney - September 03, 2017 at 02:09 PM

DJ

“ Dad, I'm going to miss our daily phone calls. I still can't believe this has happened. I will miss you terribly buddy. Love Davy



Davy Hicks, Jr. - September 03, 2017 at 12:53 PM

RC

“ So many memories! Love you Super Dave



Rhonda Clenney - September 03, 2017 at 12:44 PM

KR

“ We will always remember the the summer we came to Arkansas and spent time with Dave and friends out on the lake. He always had a smile on his face and something funny to say. Our hearts are with you Karen, and your family.
Kathleen and Terry

Kathleen Robb - September 03, 2017 at 08:26 AM



“ *Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of David (Dave) Hicks.*



September 03, 2017 at 07:41 AM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of David (Dave) Hicks.*



September 02, 2017 at 10:40 PM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of David (Dave) Hicks.*



September 02, 2017 at 09:16 PM

JF

“ Remembering all the good times with our children . Always found you kind and fun and Jim and I always felt comfortable at you home.

I thank God that I knew you and loved you in this life journey .

May you rest in peace, David

Sincerely,

Jim and Linda



jim and Linda Faulkner - September 02, 2017 at 08:25 PM

LJ

“ Karen, I just saw this announcement and we are so sorry to hear this! Dave was such a great person; and we will be praying for your comfort during this tough time. We love you!

Joey and Lori

Lori Jack - September 02, 2017 at 08:12 PM



“ Garden Accent Stone - "Wherever a Beautiful Soul..." was purchased for the family of David (Dave) Hicks.



September 02, 2017 at 07:56 PM

JT

“ *Dave, you sure did love your boat! Thank you so much for all the rides, it was always a great time!* ”



Joey Tate - September 02, 2017 at 07:06 PM