



## Rick Wood

February 17, 1953 - April 2, 2017

RICHARD ALAN "RICK" WOOD, AGE 64

And a resident of Madisonville died Sunday afternoon April 2, 2017 at St. Tammany Parish Hospital. He was a native of Washington Parish and a 1971 graduate of Franklinton High School where he played in the marching band. Rick then graduated from Southeastern Louisiana University before also graduating from the New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary. He worked for many years as the Chief Civil Deputy for the Washington Parish Sheriff's Office and later as an investigator and the public information officer for the Washington-St. Tammany District Attorney's office before retiring. Rick enjoyed playing tennis and golf and liked to travel. He always cherished the time spent with his grandchildren and family.

Survived by:

Wife: Vicki McKenzie Wood of Madisonville

3 Daughters and Sons in law: Emily and Steve Kudirka of Madisonville,  
Joanna and Justin Bowles of Ponchatoula,  
Haylee Thomas of Pine

4 Grandchildren: Lyla Kudirka,

Austin Kudirka,  
Kamryn Bowles,  
Laken Moore

Brother and Sister in law: Bill and Cheryl Wood of Collierville, TN

2 Sisters and a Brother in law: Susan Thomas of Franklinton,  
Jodie and Jimmy Foster of Sugar Land, TX

Mother in law: Jimmie Lou McKenzie of Pine,

Brother in law and Sister in law: Ronald and Joyce McKenzie of Pine

Also numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents William A. Wood, Sr. and Lorelle McClain Wood and brother in law Glen Thomas.

Visitation will be at Crain Funeral Home (1109 Bene Street, Franklinton)  
Wednesday April 5th from 9 am until 1 pm. A funeral service will be held at 1  
pm Wednesday in the funeral home chapel with Rev. Marc Gregoire, Wayne  
Miller and Robbie Stuart officiating. Burial will follow in Eliis Cemetery.  
Following the service, a reception celebrating Rick's life will be held for friends  
and family at his home in Madisonville.

Pallbearers: Kyle Schellhaas, Mark Bordelon, Chris Dawson, Eric Helton,  
Sean Armantrout, Andy Wood, Barrett Brown, Tim Woodard

Honorary Pallbearers: Jerry Reed, Robbie Brown, Douglas Womack, Scott  
Gardner, Dan Foil, Bart Pepperman, Ronnie Gracianette, Scott Knight

Obituaries can be viewed online at [www.crainfh.com](http://www.crainfh.com)

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR 5. 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Crain Funeral Home, Inc.  
1109 Bene Street  
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## Service

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# Tribute Wall

LT

“ To the family of Bro. Rick, as I knew him, he was my pastor at Redwood Baptist Church. He baptized me and my mom, dad and I loved him and missed him when he left. My thoughts and prayers to you all. Just hated to hear this news.

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**Lisa Thompson** - April 05, 2017 at 01:45 PM

EK

“ I am so sorry for your loss. Rick was a great guy. Barry and I are out of town and are unable to attend the services.

*I remember one time when we were snow skiing Rick stayed in the condo with Barry and I. We were going out to dinner one night and when Rick came out to go I told him he couldn't go with us "with that hat hair." Rick laughed and said, "Okay Moma." After that night Rick only called me "Moma."*

*He will truly be missed. My thoughts and prayers are with the family.*

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**Edna Kennedy** - April 05, 2017 at 08:17 AM

SD

“ The first visit Rick made to our home after my first visit to Redwood, just before he left he wrote this verse on the back of his card and gave it to Sal. Rick often quoted it. I'll always think of him when I read that scripture Phil. 4:8

*Finally, brothers, whatever is true  
whatever is noble, whatever is right  
whatever is pure, whatever is lovely  
whatever is admirable - if anything  
is excellent or praiseworthy  
- think about such things.  
Philippians 4:8*

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**Sal and Nell Denova** - April 04, 2017 at 08:27 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Rick Wood.*



April 04, 2017 at 04:43 PM



“ *From....THE neighbors. purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of Rick Wood.*



**From....THE neighbors.** - April 04, 2017 at 02:42 PM



“ *Michael L. Varnado purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Rick Wood.*



**Michael L. Varnado** - April 04, 2017 at 09:57 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Rick Wood.*



April 03, 2017 at 11:13 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Rick Wood.*



April 03, 2017 at 09:39 PM



“ *Dear family...so sorry about your loss. I worked with Rick for twelve years at the sheriff's department. Many good memories of him.*

**Devon Tomas** - April 03, 2017 at 07:59 PM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Rick Wood.*



April 03, 2017 at 07:41 PM



“ *I was so sad to hear about my "Old Buddy" Rick. He and I were close growing up, probably the best friend I had. I'll miss him. My prayers are with the family, may God bless you all.*


**Gregory Blair** - April 03, 2017 at 07:30 PM



“ *To the Wood family ... keeping you all in my thoughts and prayers. I haven't known Rick for very long but he was someone special. I will miss him dearly. Mary Lionnet*

**Mary Lionnet** - April 03, 2017 at 06:36 PM

JH

“ Vicki, my heart  is full of sorrow, may God provide you and your family with comfort and peace. You know Christine is with him.....Love, Jackie Helmstetter

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**jackie helmstetter** - April 03, 2017 at 05:43 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Rick Wood.



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April 03, 2017 at 02:43 PM

JR

“ I've known Rick for over 40 years since his days at The Riverside Medical Center. He looked to me as a mentor and shared with me his call to the ministry. Praying for his dear wife, Vicki, and the children. We are heart broken for you all. Rick will be missed!!

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**Jim Richardson** - April 03, 2017 at 02:37 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Rick Wood.



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April 03, 2017 at 02:24 PM

TG

“ I will never forget the time you let me sing with you-Rock the Boat-at the Country Club. You were all dressed up in that powder blue suit. Thank you for being there for me as I grew up. Oh, I do and will always carry your spirit in my heart.  
Your Little Tammy!

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**Tammy Wood Gendusa** - April 03, 2017 at 01:32 PM

AF

“ Mrs Vicki, Im so sorry for the loss of Bro Rick. He was such a wonderful man and will be missed by so many... I'm praying for you an the girls. I love y'all..

Love always  
Amber Lynn

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**Amber Knight Freeman** - April 03, 2017 at 12:51 PM

DA

“ Vicki, Haylee, Emily, Joanna and every other family member of Rick Wood, I am so sorry for your loss. My love, thoughts and prayers are with all of you. To share a few memories that come to my mind when I think of Rick are his huge dimples when he smiled because he was always smiling, his willingness to help anyone who needed him because he didn't want anyone to ever worry or be upset, and the saxophone (or trombone) he would play in the streets of Madison Farm whenever the Saints would score. Rick loved his family dearly, he loved his friends dearly, and always lived every day to the fullest. Rick was a remarkable man, and we sincerely loved and appreciated him. We will miss him...Sean, Drionne, Zachary and Logan Armantrout.

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**Drionne Armantrout** - April 03, 2017 at 12:27 PM

JV

*I have fond memories of Rick working as a disc jockey at my daddy's radio station, WFCG-AM when I was a teenager. Such a nice, funny, genuine guy. Prayers of comfort and peace for your family.*

**JoBeth Gatewood Valentino** - April 03, 2017 at 11:28 PM