



Richard "Dick" Dale Cox

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Richard (Dick) Dale Cox passed away into God's loving arms from the comfort of his home in Mandeville, Louisiana on July 30, 2019 surrounded by his family.

Dick was born on October 1, 1929, in Fort Smith, Arkansas, to Rufus J. Cox and Mattie Ethel Sutherland Cox. After attending school at Northside High School in Fort Smith, Dick joined the Marines and served his country in the Korean War. Sgt. R.D. Cox was awarded 2nd place in the Scott Trophy Match as a Sharpshooter Rifleman in the 1951 National Rifle Association titular matches at Camp Matthews, CA. He also met the love of his life, Mary Dean Shipp, and they were married on May 31, 1952, in Los Angeles, CA. They were soon blessed with children, son Michael Dale Cox, daughters Caren Marie Cox, and Susan Kay Cox.

After leaving the Marines, Dick went to work for Southern California Edison in Huntington Beach, CA. It wasn't long after Susie was born that Dick was offered the opportunity to transfer to Ventura, CA. He worked for 33 years as an Underground Foreman and took great pride in his work. Retiring at age 55, he and Mary enjoyed traveling with their Edison RV group. Dick was a true "Renaissance Man" as he had a wide variety of interests. He was an active volunteer at First Southern Baptist Church and Ventura Missionary Church, participating in 3 mission trips. Dick's all time favorite hobby was fishing at Lake Casitas! If he wasn't fishing he enjoyed painting with watercolors and oils, making jewelry with many different kinds of gemstones, gardening, reading and woodworking, creating some beautiful pieces for his grandkids. He could fix anything that needed fixing, and even some that didn't! He loved helping his friends and neighbors with any household project they had going on, whether it was just giving a bit of advice, lending a tool, a strong back, or teaching them how to care for their landscaping or garden, thus leaving his Legacy of "projects" all throughout Ventura and Louisiana.

Dick was preceded in death by his parents; his sisters Mary Croder, Edna Burdett, and Mildred Perry; brother James "Carrol" Cox; daughter Caren Marie Cox Sizemore, and his loving wife Mary Dean Shipp Cox.



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He is survived by his son Michael Dale Cox (Amy), and granddaughters Molly Cox and Camryn Cox; daughter Susan Kay Cox; grandson Nathan Sizemore (Heather), grandson Aaron Sizemore; granddaughter Celina Sizemore Corona (Rey) and great granddaughters Reylan and Cobie Corona. Dick is also survived by niece Janice Spadt, nephew Larry Burdett and dear lifelong friends in California and Louisiana.

The family would like to express sincere appreciation to the doctors, nurses, and staff at Notre Dame Hospice for the compassionate care they provided for our father. Also, the deepest gratitude is felt for the 7 women that gave of themselves daily for Mr. Richard. Thank you, Jewel, Jazzmin, Jazzica, Sharon, Michelle, Judy, and Beth.

Relatives and friends are invited to attend the funeral service at 10AM on Saturday, September 14, 2019

Ventura Missionary Church 500 High Point Dr. Ventura CA 93003. Reception to follow private interment at Ivy Lawn Cemetery in Ventura, CA

Donations to Samaritan's Purse in memoriam can be made at:

<https://www.samaritanspurse.org/our-ministry/memorial-giving/>

Share a memory on the tribute wall at www.ejfieldingfh.com . To send flowers or a memorial gift to the family of Richard "Dick" Dale Cox please visit our Sympathy Store.



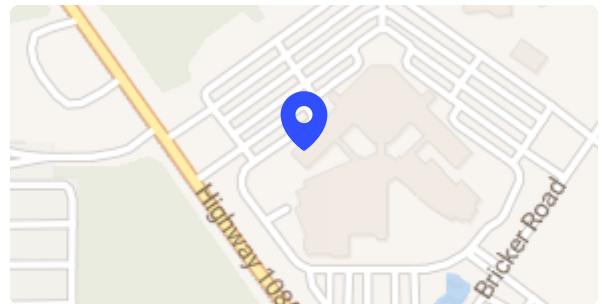
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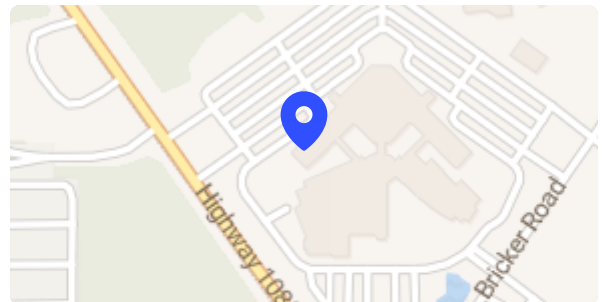
Visitation

- Saturday**, August 3, 2019
- 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM CT
- First Baptist Church Covington**
16333 Louisiana Hwy 1085, Covington LA 70433



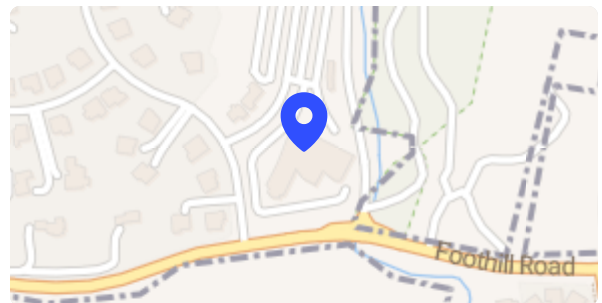
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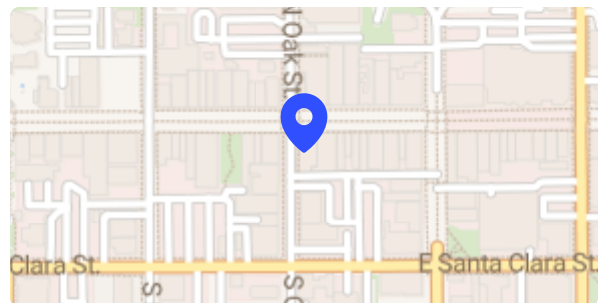
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Cemetery Details

- Ivy Lawn Cemetery**
Ventura CA





Tribute Wall

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Nancy Keyes-Wipf posted:

I am so saddened to hear of Dick's passing. I last saw him at Art's Corner Cafe with Susan after Mary had passed. I grew up in the house across the street from Dick and Mary. My brother and I grew up with his kids. After we were all grown and I moved back home for awhile, Dick was such a help to my parents and myself. He could do ANYTHING. One day some years later my 3 year old jumped on his bed and it broke. I knew exactly who to call, Dick. He came to our house and fixed it. My condolences to Mi,e, Amy and Susan. Your dad touched so many lives.

September 8 at 6:34 AM



Dale Downs posted:

Dennis and I (Dale) moved in to our home across the street from Dick and Mary 24 years ago here in Ventura. Shortly after we moved in Dick came over to introduce himself and offered to help in any way he could. He also told Dennis that before he went to buy a tool he needed, to check with him because he had 2 or 3 of them laying around in his garage; all we needed to do is figure out where in Dick's garage they were! It turns out he wasn't kidding. No matter which odd tool Dennis needed, Dick would find one in his garage. Dick was the neighbor everyone wants. He was a gracious and giving man. He had so many talents and hobbies (and many good stories) that he connected with just about everyone. We shared our hobbies of gardening, rock collecting, jewelry making, fishing, & house repair. He also shared my name--his middle name is the same as my first, plus his birthday is 1 day before mine and he and Mary's wedding anniversary is 1 day before ours. On Sundays, when Mary and he were not traveling, we'd wave to each other as we pulled out of our driveways heading to church. Dick was always dressed in his coat and tie, ready to usher at Missionary Church. When Dick was home, his garage door was up. He wasn't one to sit still. He had many projects going plus his gardening. He was always ready to have visitors and jaw for a while. Mary said he'd talk to a fence post if no one was around for him to talk with. He had a wealth of information and stories to share. We loved his laugh and sense of humor. Dick became a dearly loved friend to us and many more people here in Ventura. Our neighborhood was not the same after he moved to Mandeville. We knew it was the best decision for him to move, just hard to see him go. We are glad we kept in contact with him and we will surely miss him. Dennis and Dale Downs Ventura, CA

July 31 at 4:43 PM



Nancy Keyes-Wipf September 8 at 6:26 AM

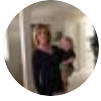
Dale, you and Dennis bought your house from my parents. And you are right, Dick was a wonderful man.



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Dale Downs shared an album called **Memories Album**.



July 31 at 4:43 PM



Anonymous sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Cox family.



August 2 at 7:47 AM



Bob Cox posted:

Richard, as I knew him, was always such a beacon of light and joy. To me, and I suspect I speak for all of the Cox clan in California, his presence always brought great energy and joy to the annual family gathering. I'll always wish that somehow we'd found a way to go fishing together, a passion we shared. We'll miss you Richard, but we're sure that where you are at now the sun is shining, the fish are biting and you are with the family members that have gone before. - Bob Cox

August 2 at 6:22 AM



Anonymous sent a Country Basket Blooms to the Cox family.



August 1 at 10:18 AM



Valerie Miller posted:

Richard Cox, Papa Dick to so many of us, was one of the most gracious, loving, humorous, knowledgeable and strong gentleman I have ever had the pleasure of knowing. It was always a blessing and a joy to be with him. Thank you to the Cox family in Mandeville (Mike, Amy, Molly and Camryn) and in California (Susie and family) who shared their father and grandfather so generously with us all. He has both feet in the boat now, as he would say, and home with the Lord.

August 1 at 5:34 AM



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July 31 at 11:21 PM



Jewel Brown posted:

I am so grateful to have met the Cox family my deepest condolences you all are in my prayers. I was one of mr. Richards caregivers. Jewel. Mr. Richard and I became very good friends actually he was my buddy. He will be truly missed.. I do know to be absent from this world is to be present with the Lord so Rejoice on my friend..

July 31 at 6:02 PM



Stephanie Scheuermann posted:

So sorry to hear of Papa Dick's passing. Prayers for all of you. He was a very nice and interesting gentleman!

July 31 at 4:43 PM



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Dale Downs shared 6 photos to the **Memories Album** album.

August 2 at 3:32 PM



Dick made sure Dennis & I (Dale) to tour us around his new hometown area last year.



Judy Gaiennie August 2 at 6:21 PM

Well what a nice picture I took of the three of you 😊 Enjoy our day together and meeting such special friends of Mr Richard. He sure did love ya'll. Judy



Our good friend & neighbor was getting ready to move to Mandeville



We celebrated our 33rd anniversary with Dick, Amy & Mike



And shrimp po-boys. He sure showed us a good time. We will miss him dearly.



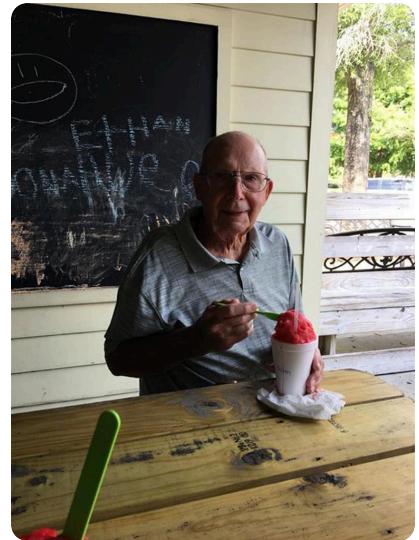
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Fun at Abita Brewery the a lunch at its café.



Sooo good! Dick made sure we tasted snow balls.



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Richard "Dick" by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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