



## Richard "Rick" Arvel Reat

February 23, 1946 - December 31, 2019

Richard Arvel Reat was born February 23, 1946 in Shreveport, LA to John H and Dixie (Gowan) Reat. In 1964 Rick graduated from Lexington High school where he lettered in football, basketball and track. He attended Texas A&M in 1964 and 1965 before graduating from Sam Houston State in 1969 with a degree in Ag Education.

On July 29, 1967, he and Geraldine Pogue were married in Lexington, Texas. Rick and Geri lived in Huntsville while he attended Sam Houston and then in other locations where they worked until eventually making their home in Tanglewood, Texas in 1989.

Rick taught Vocational Agriculture in Lexington and Dayton High Schools. He worked for the Texas Department of Corrections as a vocational counselor until his retirement in 2009. He was a long time member of the Lexington United Methodist Church.

Rick was a calf roping and rodeo enthusiast and loved horses. He often reflected on early summers riding around the unpaved streets of Lexington with grade school friends Robert Jenson, Johnny and Barry Parker and cousin John Ashley, also time spent with his roping mentors Bob and Clifton Perry. He enjoyed spending time with his children and grandsons training horses, teaching them roping, other outdoor activities, and watching his grandsons

play high school sports.

Rick passed away Tuesday, December 31, 2019 in Baylor, Scott and White Hospital in Temple, Texas at the age of 73. He was preceded in death by his father, and his grandparents Arvel and Elvira (Stockton) Reat.

Rick is survived by his mother, Dixie Reat of Taylor; his wife of 52 years, Geri Reat of Lexington; his daughter, Dana Barber of Corpus Christi and her children, David Reat and Logan Barber; and his son John Murry "Jody" Reat and wife Marci of Lexington and their children, Corbin Reat and Cason Carter; and his sister Samye Turner and husband Owen of Taylor.

Graveside services will be held at 11:00 A.M. Friday, January 3, 2020, at Lexington Cemetery, with Pastor Casey Goetz officiating. The family will be accepting visitors from 5-7 PM Thursday, January 2, 2020 at Phillips & Luckey in Lexington, Texas.

# Cemetery Details

## Lexington Cemetery

5900 County Road 326  
Lexington, TX 78947

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 2. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home - Lexington  
120 Third Street  
Lexington, TX 78947

## Graveside Service

JAN 3. 11:00 AM (CT)

Lexington Cemetery  
5900 County Road 326  
Lexington, TX 78947

# Tribute Wall



“ *Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of Richard "Rick" Arvel Reat.*



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January 03, 2020 at 11:36 AM



“ *I was so sorry to hear of Ricks passing. Gerri and Dana, y'all are in my prayers that you find comfort and strength during this time.*  
*Angie Wiederhold*

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**Angie Wiederhold** - January 03, 2020 at 12:28 AM



“ *Geri my deepest sympathy & prayers to you & the rest of the family of the loss of Rick. May God place his comforting arms around all of you. God Bless*  
*Eloise Qualls Cass*

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**Eloise Cass** - January 02, 2020 at 06:47 PM



“ *With heartfelt condolences. I will miss him very much. His smile and hospitality will never be forgotten. May he rest in peace. Our thoughts and prayers go to his wife, children and grandchildren.*  
*Elyes Benhamou from Paris, France.*

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**Elyes Benhamou** - January 02, 2020 at 03:42 PM

DS

*Geri, I just saw Rick's obituary and wish I had seen it sooner. May God bless you and all your family as you deal with this loss.*

*God's care,*

*Don Stiles  
Lott, TX*

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**Don Stiles** - January 10, 2020 at 06:43 PM

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“ *GERRY, THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS. FROM BOBBIE*

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**BOBBIE MORRIS** - January 02, 2020 at 03:05 PM

JJ

“ *Such a good picture of Rick. Looks like he is fixing to say something smart. He aimed a lot of those smart comments at me while we worked together. We worked together for a long time. At one point, there were 5 of us in a small office sitting at a long table. Rick called it a feed trough, like we are a bunch of hogs. He kept that going while we were in that office. He was so much fun but he was also very professional in his job. He was dependable and always respectful. We traveled some together and he could be counted on. Then Geri came to work on the unit and in the school some and it completed the pictures. Those were good times. Roger Williams, Joyce Young, Ava Oates and Rick were quite the crew. Oh and Rick always checked my tires to make sure they had enough tread. If not, he called Ken and told him they needed replacing. He has been missed here and I have no idea how much of a hole he is leaving there. Will be praying for all. He and Joyce are probably already in trouble up there.*

*Missing my friend*

*janie jones*

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**janie jones** - January 02, 2020 at 01:10 PM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Richard "Rick" Arvel Reat.*



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January 02, 2020 at 11:30 AM



“ *Geri, I have such fond memories of Rick. He always made me laugh. He would come into the computer lab and the first thing he did was straighten out my long phone cord. I have a huge tree in my front yard that Rick brought me from out there as a seedling. My prayers are with you and the family during this time. God bless.*  
*Pam Bohne*

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**Pam Bohne** - January 02, 2020 at 11:02 AM



“ *Thoughts and prayers for your family.*  
*David, Joanne Tally, Samuel Bergsten*

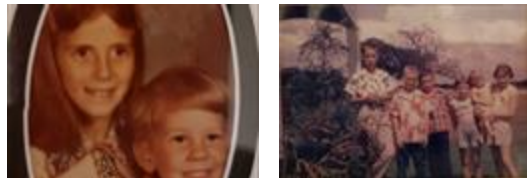


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**Bergsten Family** - January 02, 2020 at 05:15 AM



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**Samye Turner** - January 01, 2020 at 07:50 PM

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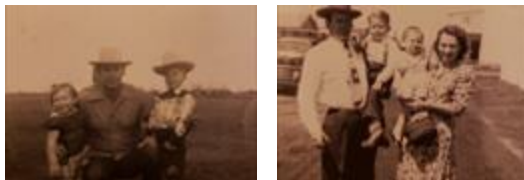
“ 5 files added to the tribute wall



Samye Turner - January 01, 2020 at 07:07 PM

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“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



Samye Turner - January 01, 2020 at 07:06 PM

CW

“ So sorry for your loss. May God's hands surround each of you during this time and in the days ahead.

Connie (Story) Ward



Connie Ward - January 01, 2020 at 06:17 PM

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“ Geri & Samye,  
Just learned about Rick's passing. He and I enjoyed some great  
times as teenagers "horsing around" at my Uncle Arvel's home. So  
glad we got to see him on our way to the NFR two years ago. May  
you all be comforted in the assurance of the resurrection.  
Allan & Rebecca Moses

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Allan Perry Moses - January 01, 2020 at 06:15 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of  
Richard "Rick" Arvel Reat.



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January 01, 2020 at 05:57 PM