



Rickey Dale Woods

April 10, 1962 - February 7, 2020

Rickey Dale Woods 57, of Elkmont, AL died Friday, February 7, 2020 in Athens, Alabama.

Born Tuesday, April 10, 1962 in Huntsville, AL, he was the son of James Samuel Woods and Lillie Bea Woods.

Rickey was a loving husband, proud father & grandfather, and good friend to many.

He had an early interest in racing and rode his bike to help his friend, Dean Bentley on his race car. His love of racing led him to begin scoring races. He was head Scorer at Huntsville Speedway for over 25 years. While working at Pulaski speedway for Gary Finley in 1987, he met Tina Beverly and they married in March 1988. Together they traveled with Southern All Stars Racing Series, worked many local tracks (North Alabama Speedway, Moulton Speedway, Winchester Speedway, South Alabama Speedway) and many Georgia tracks as well.

Rickey was Operations Manager at Aldridge Industries for over 20 years. He worked there with Warren & Tim Aldridge who he loved as brothers.

In 2007, he had the bright idea to open an athletic store and nothing would

stop him. Ardmore Athletics & More was born. The name of the store was carefully chosen using the first letter of all three kids names-A A M.

As the owner of Ardmore Athletics & More, he had many employees who he greatly depended on but none more than Angela Rogers, also a niece.

But his greatest pride and joy are his children, Ashley, Allison, and Matthew. Each of them are unique in their own way, although they all are spoiled by his great love for them.

Makynzie, his first grandchild, loved her Pop Pop and together they cheered for Joey Logano, their favorite NASCAR driver. Case Fields, his soon to be first grandson, is already loved from heaven.

He was preceded in death by his parents; brothers, Larry Joe Woods and James Wilson Woods.

Rickey is survived by his wife, Tina Lynne Woods, Elkmont, AL, son, Matthew "Spike" Woods; daughters, Ashley (Zachary) Carter and Allison "Alley" (Justin) Fields; brothers, Ray (Donna) Woods and James (Kim) Woods; sisters, Brenda (Jerry) Posey and Snook (Ed) Imler; granddaughter, Makynzie Carter; grandson on the way, Case Fields; father and mother-in-law, Pee Wee and Janie Beverly; brother-in-law, Tim (Pat) Beverly; host of special nieces and nephews and great nieces and nephews.

A Visitation will be held on Sunday, February 9, 2020 at Ardmore Chapel Funeral Home, Ardmore, Alabama from 5:00 PM until 8:00 PM.

A Funeral Service will be held on Monday, February 10, 2020 at Ardmore Chapel Funeral Home, Ardmore, AL, at 2:00 PM with Bro. Jeff Bennett officiating. Burial will be at Fairview Cemetery, Athens, AL.

Tribute Wall

MC

“ *Reminding those whom you support that your thoughts are with them.*

Michael & Jo Clark - February 10, 2020 at 07:16 PM

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“ *I had known Rickey for easily over 20 years, both from the Southern All-Stars Series and Huntsville Speedway. We always had some good natured ribbing about how Auburn was doing, and he'd give it right back to me about Alabama. I appreciated the tireless effort he put into his scoring and coming up with things to make the system better, even when I knew he couldn't be feeling well. The tower will be a much different place in the seasons to come, but we will all be better for having known and worked with Rickey. To Tina and the kids, no words will do justice to what you are enduring, and we hurt with you and for you, but please know that we will always remember Rickey and will be better for having known him. Godspeed...*

Kevin Neal - February 09, 2020 at 01:14 PM

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“ *Rickey was such a big help to us when we came to the Huntsville Speedway. He and Tina and his kids were always there to jump in and help, we will keep you always in our prayers RIP Rickey. Love the Pierces*

Dawn Pierce - February 09, 2020 at 08:51 AM

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“ I met Rickey through his employment at Aldridge Industries. I always enjoyed coming to his office for a chat about the business, his family, and sports. He was a kind soul and will be missed. As we say in the Greek church - May His Memory Be Eternal!

Jack Jolly - February 09, 2020 at 08:00 AM

JC

“ I met Ricky dale through his cousin my husband Michael Clark. The short time i was able to know him i know he loved his family very much. He was such a kind and all around good person. I know his wife and children miss him very much. You all are in my thoughts and prayers.

Jo n michael clark - January 31, 2020 at 08:39 AM