



Richard Lewey Axton

July 24, 1952 - September 26, 2019

On September 26th, the carousel stopped turning for Richard in this life, but his magical music and beautiful spirit will live on forever.

Richard was born in Russellville, Alabama, a fact he was overjoyed to learn in 2013 when, after many years of searching, he located his Lewey birth family and traveled to reunite with them at long last. Since 1963, he lived a full and adventurous life in Scott Valley, raising a family with high school sweetheart, best friend, and soul mate, Peggy Axton. He was at home in the mountains, at home on the rivers, and now he is at home with God and those who have gone before.

Richard could fix anything, build anything, drive anything. He was a talented cowboy, a fearless truck driver, an inspired artist, and always a curious kid at heart with his drones, inventions, experiments, Halloween shenanigans, and even a limousine. Like one of his whimsical stained-glass creations, Richard was a unicorn. He was stubborn and funny, smart and resourceful, playful and insightful, and above all, he blessed us every single day with his fierce loyalty and infinitely loving heart.

His greatest joy was family. His children, Wendy Whittaker and Richard Axton Jr., nine grandchildren, four (soon to be five) great grandchildren, and wife Peggy were and always will be at the center of his universe.

It is with incredible sadness that friends and family say goodbye for now. Rest in heavenly peace, dear Richard. You are so very loved, and so very missed.

Tribute Wall



“ I am **SHOCKED** to hear of the communities loss of **RICHARD AXTON**...
RICHARD was a wonderful Neighbor, childhood friend, great horseback riding partner, we grew up together in elementary school....many wonderful memories... a great family & community will miss you ❤️

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