



Ricky Dean LaValley

March 3, 1957 - May 7, 2016

Ricky Dean LaValley, 59, of Carlisle, Iowa, passed away unexpectedly on Saturday May 7, 2016 at St. Lukes Hospital in Kansas City, Missouri.

Rick was born on March 3rd , 1957 in Des Moines to Loren and Delores (Engstrom) LaValley.

Rick is survived by his wife, Sherry (Fettters) LaValley and daughter Danielle LaValley (Matt Lenhart) sons Joe Gaskill and Adam Gaskill (Kasey).

Surviving 'Papa' are Courtney Lenhart, Paige Lenhart, Julian Gaskill, Carter Gaskill, Luke Meadows, Averi Lenhart, and Rylan Gaskill.

Rick is survived by his mother, sisters Vicky and Lorna, of Madrid, Iowa and numerous extended family members.

Preceding Ricky in death are his father, grandparents and several uncles.

His horses and his grandchildren were 'Papa' Rick's treasures in life.

Rick was a member of several draft horse clubs around the Midwest. Rick was one of the most giving individuals a person would ever meet. We could always depend on Rick to bring horses to events and help in any way he could. He

was the president of the American Brabant Association and did a wonderful job of promoting that breed. Rick's love and passion for draft horses and the draft horse industry was tremendous. Rick will be greatly missed by all.

An informal "Corral Gathering" for Ricky LaValley will be held on Saturday, May 14, 2016 from 1 to 6 pm at the Bloomfield United Methodist Church at 5930 Indianola Avenue, Des Moines, Iowa.

Fond memories and words of comfort may be shared at: www.CashattFamilyFuneralHome.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY **14**. 1:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

Bloomfield United Methodist
5930 Indianola Ave
Des Moines, IA 50320-9302
(515) 287-7304

Tribute Wall

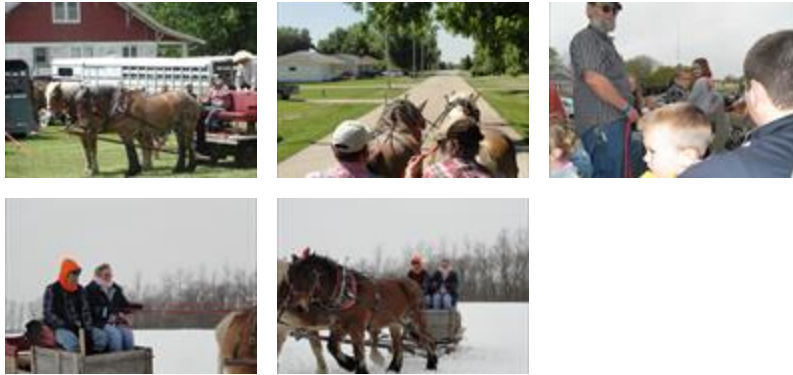


“ *Ricky Dean LaValley*

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Christine Borton - May 15, 2016 at 01:58 PM



“ *Our deepest sympathies for your loss. Ricky and I shared birthdays, and he never missed wishing me a Happy Birthday, unless I got to him first. We will miss him.*

Gary Ruble

Gary Ruble - May 14, 2016 at 02:40 PM

CB

“ Sherry, It is only about 6 or 7 weeks ago that you sent a condolence message to me when my husband Ron passed away unexpectedly. You told me he was in heaven and that you and Ricky were lucky to have known him because he was such a caring man and loved your draft horses like you and Ricky do...I can only turn these words right back to you at this most difficult time. I know what a shock it is and how quickly your whole world is turned upside down. Ricky never knew a stranger and shared your love of the gentle giants with as many people as he came in contact with. He was never too busy to strike up a conversation and check what was going on in somebody else's world. This made him a truly special man.

I'll never forget the January weekend he insisted we come out to your place just to exercise the horses a little and he let me take the lines for a while. Bud and Otis were such an easy pair to drive. A few weeks later I brought nearly 20 people out and you guys had 2 teams hooked up waiting for us! He most certainly promoted and represented everything the draft horse industry stands for.

Ricky was a special friend and I will miss him greatly. I have thought of both you and Ricky a thousand times since I first learned this sad news on Saturday night and shared with several friends how shaken I am. You made a point to check in on me a week or two later and that was so meaningful. You are both in my prayers. May your most lingering and fondest memories be those that you two made together.

Christine Borton, Ankeny, Iowa

Christine Borton - May 11, 2016 at 09:31 PM

RF

“ *Ruth Serg and Family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Ricky Dean LaValley.*



Ruth Serg and Family - May 11, 2016 at 01:09 PM

RS

“ *Ruth Sereg lit a candle in memory of Ricky Dean LaValley*



Ruth Sereg - May 11, 2016 at 11:37 AM

CC

“ *Sending our deepest sympathy and condolences to the family. May the God of all comfort strengthen you to cope and endure this difficult time.*

chris c - May 11, 2016 at 06:47 AM

 Erin Hammer

“ *Ricky was a great man with a huge heart. My brother and him were good friends. I know nothing more than love from him. He showed love to all of his friends and family. He will be greatly missed. My deepest sympathies.*



Erin Hammer - May 10, 2016 at 07:41 PM

VH

“ I know you are with dad and all our grandparents and are truly missed by me. But I know in heaven you have all of them and you are still riding your horses. I love you big brother



Vicky LaValley Hood - May 09, 2016 at 11:05 PM



“ I am posting this on the behalf of Myself and Douglas Buckingham who has worked with Ricky for 10 yrs. Whenever Doug would come home with stories from work, Ricky's name has come up many of times, nothing but good words were said . My mother past away 3yrs ago and everyday faithfully for a least 4 months he would ask Doug how she was doing. I had never meet Ricky but i can tell he was a kind man. Our condolences go out to his family and friends



Michelle Hampton - May 09, 2016 at 09:32 PM



“ Rick loved his family and was quite the farmer. My little grand daughter that is also Rick and Sherry's always told how her papa is a farmer and Raise's big horses. He will always be loved and greatly missed! Prayers for his family and friends!

Cheryl Lenhart - May 09, 2016 at 09:23 PM



“ Cheryl Lenhart lit a candle in memory of Ricky Dean LaValley



Cheryl Lenhart - May 09, 2016 at 09:06 PM



“ So sorry to hear about Rick. My thoughts and prayers are with the family.



Sara McKeever McAvoy - May 09, 2016 at 08:43 PM



“ Paula Garland lit a candle in memory of Ricky Dean LaValley



Paula Garland - May 09, 2016 at 08:22 PM



“ Rick was a wonderful person always willing to lend a helping hand, Gone but not forgotten, RIP my friend. Thoughts and Prayers to Sherry and all the family. God Bless!

Paula Garland - May 09, 2016 at 08:21 PM