



Randy Vernon Hatch

March 9, 1953 - February 27, 2021

A funeral service for Randy Hatch, age 67, of Rusk is scheduled for 10:00 a.m., Wednesday, March 3, 2021 at the First Baptist Church in Rusk with Rev. John Allen Hatch, Rev. Brian Givens and Rev. Jim Goforth officiating. Burial will follow at Cedar Hill Cemetery.

Randy passed away February 27, 2021. He was born March 9, 1953 in Port Neches, TX to the late Vernon and Gladys Higganbotham Hatch.

He was preceded in death by his parents and a brother, Dr. Kenneth Hatch. He is survived by his wife, Sue Ella Boone Hatch of Rusk, two sons and daughters-in-law, Andrew and Sara Hatch of McKinney, TX, Timothy and Leslie Hatch of Rusk, five grandchildren, Jon, Jake, Rylan, Bailey and Hudson Hatch.

Randy, was a dedicated law enforcement professional with a career spanning nearly half a century that carried him all across the State of Texas. He began his law enforcement journey with the City of Corpus Christi Police Department before taking the role of Chief of Police for the City of Rusk Police Department. He spent years working undercover narcotics all along the Texas/Mexico border before joining the Cherokee County District Attorney's Office as an investigator. He faithfully served the citizens of Cherokee County until his retirement. Randy also spent 3 tours of duty in the mountains of

Afghanistan supporting Marine units through contracted intelligence and training. Randy was a true law enforcement professional who believed in standing up for the weak, seeking justice through truth, and leading by example. He touched the lives of victims of crime, criminals, and law enforcement officers across Texas. Randy was a long time member of First Baptist Church of Rusk and a faithful and committed servant of the Lord. Those closest to him will certainly remember him for his witty humor. Even in passing his humor was strong as he noted that he wanted inscribed on his headstone "Pardon me for not getting up to shake hands".

Because of Randy's lifetime of service to the Lord and in law enforcement he was a believer in the prison ministry and getting bibles into the hands of those in need. Randy asked in lieu of flowers, memorials be made to First Baptist Church Rusk, Prison Ministry Bible Fund.

Pallbearers will include Andrew Hatch, Tim Hatch, Steven Hodge, Logan Smith, Jeff Carroll and James Campbell. Honorary pallbearers will be Elmer Beckworth, Randy Rasberry, Larry Sinclair, Mark Jones, Bill Cromer and Luis Cox.

Visitation will be from 9:00 a.m. up to service time, Wednesday, March 3, 2021 at First Baptist Church in Rusk.

Cemetery Details

Cedar Hill Cemetery

Cedar Hill Cemetery
Rusk, TX 75785

Tribute Wall



“ *Randy Vernon Hatch*

October 04, 2023 at 11:30 AM



“ *This morning in the quiet Sunday morning calm, I somehow reflected on friends that have past away too soon this year. Randy was a wonderful friend, a true confidant in a troubled political situation, and a a tremendous law enforcement officer. I continue to miss him*

Joe willis - June 06, 2021 at 08:42 AM



“ *Randy and I worked together at the DA's office in Rusk and it became apparent to me very quickly that he is a precious, special soul. He took me under his wing the first late night I showed up in Rusk; making sure I was safe and settled in. He started calling me "kid" and was probably the only person in the world who could have made me feel honored by that moniker! I'll never forget his amazing stories. He could spin the best tale!! And he would wait till I had a mouth full of coffee to let a zinger rip to see how many times he could make me spit it out laughing! I will miss his humor, his stories, his gentle guidance, his zest for true justice, and that mischievous twinkle in his eyes. I may have moved on from Rusk but Randy Hatch has stayed with me. His immutable light and spirit will never truly leave us. You are a giant among us, Randy. Go with God. I love you.*

DEBORAH DICTSON - March 03, 2021 at 11:58 AM

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“ *In our hearts and prayers. Randy will be missed. He was a good friend.*

Bill & Jeanette Garner

The Garner family - March 02, 2021 at 08:09 PM



“ *Floor Plant for Sympathy was purchased for the family of Randy Vernon Hatch.*



March 02, 2021 at 05:30 PM



“ *Peace, Prayers & Blessings - Blue and White was purchased for the family of Randy Vernon Hatch.*



March 02, 2021 at 12:02 AM

JW

“ *I remember the day that Sue Ella and Randy married. May the peace that comes only from God be with Sue Ella and the rest of the family. Sorry, Sue Ella that I can't be there for you, but you are in my thoughts and prayers and I will be there with you in thought. With the love of Christ and my love, Jan*

Jan Waggoner - March 01, 2021 at 10:41 PM

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“ I met Randy through his son Andy when we both worked at the Jacksonville Fire Department . I farmed on the days that I wasn't at the fire dept. Randy was interested in farming as well. We became friends and I farmed on his land. Through the years I came to know Randy pretty good. Enjoyed talking farming and family with him many times.. Randy was a man that stood for what was right , but also would help anyone that tried to do the right thing. He will be missed. May God be with his family and bless them through this time.

Clyde Cain

clyde cain - March 01, 2021 at 08:44 PM

JR

“ 35+ years ago, "Chief" Randy used to stop by the studio when I was doing the nighttime classic rock show on KWRW. I enjoyed visiting and joking around with him and his great sense of humor. I will absolutely cherish and remember those golden moments.

John Robinhawk

John Robinhawk - March 01, 2021 at 05:08 PM



“ Red, White & Blue Sympathy Standing Spray was purchased for the family of Randy Vernon Hatch.



March 01, 2021 at 03:44 PM



“ *I worked with Randy when he was an investigator for the Wise County DA's office. He was a wonderful man and an outstanding law enforcement officer. I learned a lot from him and wish his family peace. God Bless.*

Allen Williamson - March 01, 2021 at 03:41 PM



“ *I will miss your friendship, humor, intelligence, honesty, and generosity. From the first time I met you over forty years ago you have added flavor to my life. Sometimes that flavor was contained in the humorous banter between you and Sue Ella, or the comical episode of hunting with my grandson, or when you became an emergency RV driver when Don was sick. Your devotion to family and causes was exemplary. I am thankful that our paths crossed, and I will be here for the love of your life and my friend, Sue Ella, as she travels a difficult road missing you. Rest In Peace .*

Theresa Fallwell - March 01, 2021 at 01:34 PM