



Hiram Ray Hicks

September 16, 1938 - January 15, 2025

Hiram “Ray” Hicks age 86 years, 4 months, and 9 days of Long Lane, Missouri entered the gates of heaven on January 15, 2025, at his home surrounded by his beloved family.

Ray was born September 6, 1938, east of Long Lane Missouri in Dallas County to the late Hiram & Reva Jewell (Thomas) Hicks. Ray was saved and baptized as a young adult.

Ray was united in marriage to Ottilla Ann Ross on April 8, 1956, and they made their home in Kansas City, KS until moving to Long Lane in 1973. He loved to play country music. He was a top-notch rhythm and second guitar player although he played lead too for most of his life. He enjoyed going to jam sessions any chance he could get. He loved to sing and had a beautiful voice. He also loved to fish and could out fish anyone. Catfish being fish of choice. Finally he loved his family and getting together with them.

Ray never knew a stranger and loved to talk to anyone he could.

Ray was preceded in death by his parents, siblings Mary Alice Hicks, Lonnie Eugene Hicks, Francis “Glen” Hicks, son Michael Ray Hicks, granddaughter Tina Cole, and grandson Joshua Michael Hicks. He is survived by his wife of 68 years, Ottilla Hicks, children Catherine Ann and husband Donald VanDruff,

Anna Marie and husband Steve Smith, Brenda Hicks wife of Michael Hicks, and Daryl Duane and wife Lisa Hicks, 12 grandchildren, 29 great-grandchildren, 2 great-great grandchildren, brother Roy Lee and wife Vivian Hicks, brother in law Richard Lee and wife Janice Ross, as well as numerous extended family members and beloved friends.

In lieu of flowers, it has been asked that memorial contributions be given to the Cedar Ridge Cemetery Fund.

Services are scheduled for 10 am on Saturday, January 18, 2025, at Cedar Ridge Freewill Baptist Church in Long Lane, Missouri, with Pastor Shane Shockley officiating. Visitation will be held the evening prior from 5-7 pm at the Cantlon-Otterness & Viets Funeral Home, Buffalo. Following all services, Ray will be laid to rest at Cedar Ridge Cemetery.

Cemetery Details

Cedar Ridge Cemetery

Long Lane, MO

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 17. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Cantlon-Otterness & Viets Funeral Home - Buffalo

931 W. Main St.

P.O. Box 993

Buffalo, MO 65622

(417) 345-2211

info@cantlonotterness.com

<https://www.cantlonotterness.com>

Service

JAN 18. 10:00 AM (CT)

Cedar Ridge Freewill Baptist Church

Long Lane

Long Lane, MO 65590

(417) 345-8192

Tribute Wall



“ *Enjoyed playing bass for Ray many times in the past.* ”

John W Jackson - January 16, 2025 at 10:08 PM



“ *From Laney Jo and Lindsay Simpson purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Hiram Ray Hicks.* ”



From Laney Jo and Lindsay Simpson - January 16, 2025 at 04:54 PM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Hiram Ray Hicks.* ”

January 16, 2025 at 02:20 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Hiram Ray Hicks.* ”



January 16, 2025 at 02:20 PM