



Rodney Benton

May 8, 1964 - December 26, 2022

Rodney Lawrence Benton, 58, of Higginsville, MO, left his Earthly life for Eternal life on December 26, 2022, at his home. He was the son of Travis and Betty (Bass) Benton and was born on May 8, 1964, in Honolulu, HI, at Tripler Army Hospital. He graduated from Lafayette County C-1 High School in 1982 in which he was a member of the 1982 Final Four basketball team which was inducted into the high school Hall of Fame and was a member of the varsity football team for 3 years. Rodney worked for Maytag in Hartford, Connecticut from 1989-1992. He also worked for FedEx until he was injured on the job. Rodney was an amazing son, brother, uncle, father, grandfather, and friend. He was known as the “Fisherman of the Family”, knowing every detail from bait, type of fish line, and pole to use. He was the self-proclaimed “Terminator and Bass Master”, but that didn’t stop there. He was a master chef with his frequently requested famous fried fish. Rodney took pride in teaching all who came in his path his unique skills and knowledge of fishing. The fish stories are endless.

Let’s remember his passion for finding good deals on everything possible. He took particular joy in blessing all with unique gifts he had come across just because it was such a deal he could not pass up. Rodney was a very loving and thoughtful soul that will truly be missed and never forgotten.

Those left to cherish his memory are his parents, Travis and Betty Benton of Higginsville; nine siblings, Marsha Benton of San Antonio, TX, Travis (Susan) Benton, Jr. of Phoenix, AZ, Gregory Benton of West Chester, OH, Anita

Pollard of Independence, MO, Joy (Allen) Skeens of Lenexa, KS, Victor Benton of Sedalia, MO, Sidney (Kay) Benton of Blue Springs, MO, Desiree Benton of Higginsville, and Skyler Benton of Blue Springs. He also leaves behind Diane Mauro of St. Charles, MO; daughter, Rochelle (Douglas) Hunter and five grandchildren, Masiya, Sayvion, Serenidy, Jazlyn, and Jaxxon of Dallas, TX; daughter, Camille (Elvis) Paulino and two grandchildren, Elvis III and Amora of San Diego, CA; son, Matavai Asaeli and three grandchildren, Matavai Jr, Uriah, and Khole of Tacoma, WA; and son, Blake Lee Joseph Benton of St. Charles, MO; as well as a host of nieces, nephews, uncles, aunts, cousins, other relatives, and friends.

The family will receive friends from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM on Friday, January 6, 2023, at Stewart-Hoefer Funeral Home, 1600 Main St. Higginsville, MO, 64037. He will be lying in repose for viewing from 1:00 PM to 2:00 PM on Saturday, January 7, 2022, at the Lafayette County C-1 High School Gymnasium. A funeral service will follow at 2:00 PM with Bishop William Thompson officiating, Rev. Evelyn Elmore as vocalist and Bruce Kerr as musician. Honorary officiant, Tyrone Thirkield. A repast will directly follow the funeral at the Higginsville American Legion. Casket bearers: Matavai Asaeli, Aalice Benton, Blake Benton, Sidney Benton, Travis Benton Jr., Victor Benton, Tommy Wegener, Brent Wolfenbarger. Honorary bearers: Marvin Champion, Gregory Benton, Skyler Benton, Douglas Hunter, Elvis Paulino II, all nieces, and all nephews.

Memorials may be made out to Stewart-Hoefer Funeral Home, ATTN: Rodney Benton Memorial, 1600 N. Main St. Higginsville, MO 64037. Memorials will be distributed according to Rodney's wishes.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 6. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Stewart-Hoefer Funeral Home, Inc.
1600 Main St.
Higginsville, MO 64037
1-660-584-3400
hoeferfuneralhome@gmail.com
<http://www.stewarthoeferfuneralhome.com>

Lying in Repose

JAN 7. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Lafayette County C-1 High School
807B W. 31st St.
Higginsville, MO 64037
hoeferfuneralhome@gmail.com
<http://www.huskersk12.org>

Funeral Service

JAN 7. 2:00 PM - 3:30 PM (CT)

Lafayette County C-1 High School
807B W. 31st St.
Higginsville, MO 64037
hoeferfuneralhome@gmail.com
<http://www.huskersk12.org>

Repast

JAN 7. 3:30 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

American Legion
1001 W. 22nd St.
Higginsville, MO 64037
<http://www.legion.org>

Tribute Wall



“ Rodney Benton

October 22, 2023 at 02:42 PM



“ Rodney Benton

October 07, 2023 at 11:48 AM



“ Rodney Benton

October 06, 2023 at 07:00 AM



“ Rodney Benton

January 31, 2023 at 02:49 AM



“ *It's been years since I last saw Rodney, but he had an great smile and was an great soul! Yes he will be missed RIP cousin*

Chad P Bass - January 06, 2023 at 03:10 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Rodney Benton.*



January 06, 2023 at 12:34 PM

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“ I bought a new fishing rod and I showed it to Rodney. He showed me a feature on it that I didn't know I had. It would make a ringing sound when I had a fish on the hook. I'm so glad I shared it with him. Rodney will be greatly missed in the Benton Family. We love you, Cousin Rodney.

Helen Harris - January 02, 2023 at 03:59 PM