



## Richard (Rick) Townsend

January 31, 2024

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Richard (Rick) Townsend, 72 years of age, passed away peacefully and went to be with the Lord on Wednesday, January 31, 2024. He is survived by his loving wife, Jill Townsend; his daughters, Ashley (Brian) French and Christina (Mark) Townsend; his step-son, Treavor (Maggie) Whisenhunt; his brother James “Kelly” (Janet) Townsend; and his granddaughters. He was preceded in death by his parents Buford Townsend and Tommie Jo Townsend.

Rick was born in Paris, Texas on July 9, 1951. He graduated from Bryan Adams High School in 1969. At the age of 18, he joined the police academy and spent his 20 year law enforcement career with the Dallas Police Department. He was the owner and operator of Twilight Towing located in Dallas, Texas in 1989 and relocated to Forney, Texas in 1994 as Eastlake Towing, which remains family owned and operated today.

Rick was a devoted and loving husband, father, and grandfather. He enjoyed date nights with his wife, discovering new restaurants and cherishing their time together. He was an avid hunter, which included life long memories made with his daughters. He was a believer of Christ and was a member of the Emmaus Community as well as an active member of First United Methodist Church in Terrell.

A memorial service is scheduled for 1:00pm on Tuesday, February 6, 2024 at First United Methodist Church in Terrell. In lieu of flowers, his family asks that contributions be made to First United Methodist Church located at 503 W. College St. Terrell, TX 75160 in honor of Rick's selfless giving to others.

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

FEB 6. 1:00 PM (CT)

First United Methodist Church  
503 W. College St.  
Terrell, TX 75160

# Tribute Wall



“ *Max Slayton Funerals and Cremations created a Tribute Video in memory of Richard (Rick) Townsend*



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**Max Slayton Funerals & Cremations** - February 06, 2024 at 09:53 PM



“ *Max Slayton Funerals and Cremations created a Webcast in memory of Richard (Rick) Townsend*

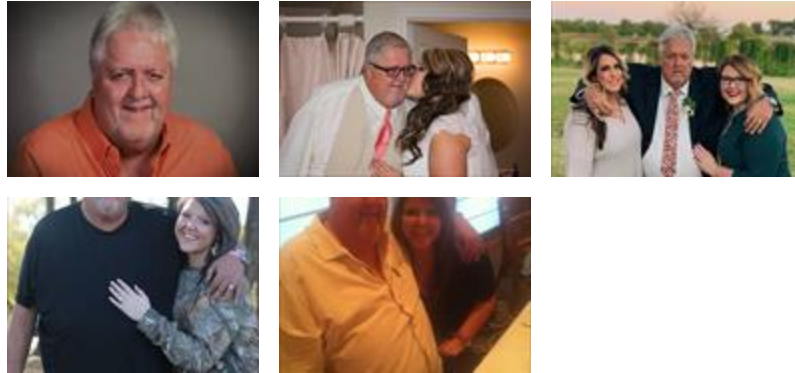


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**Max Slayton Funerals & Cremations** - February 05, 2024 at 06:01 PM



“ 97 files added to the album Memories Album



Max Slayton Funerals & Cremations - April 01, 2024 at 02:05 PM

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“ Scott Hassel family purchased the Blue Caribbean Bouquet for the family of Richard (Rick) Townsend.



Scott Hassel family - February 05, 2024 at 09:41 PM

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“ Scott Hassel family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Richard (Rick) Townsend.

Scott Hassel family - February 05, 2024 at 09:41 PM

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“ Melinda & Pat Luedecke planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Richard (Rick) Townsend.

Melinda & Pat Luedecke - February 04, 2024 at 10:20 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Richard (Rick) Townsend.*



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February 04, 2024 at 10:20 PM



“ *RIP Rick! I remember when you joined DPD and I got to know you. I started calling you “the giant killer”. The last time I saw you about a year ago in a restaurant in Forney we laughed about that. Prayers for all your families! Stan McNear (DPD ret)*

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**Stan McNear (DPD ret)** - February 04, 2024 at 07:42 PM



“ *Judy purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of Richard (Rick) Townsend.*



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**Judy** - February 04, 2024 at 06:57 PM



“ *Robin, Tommy, Cody, Katy, Jacob and Liam planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Richard (Rick) Townsend.*

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**Robin, Tommy, Cody, Katy, Jacob and Liam** - February 03, 2024 at 10:28 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Richard (Rick) Townsend.



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February 03, 2024 at 10:28 AM



“ *ASAP Books and Taxes, Nikki & Tamara* purchased the *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* for the family of Richard (Rick) Townsend.



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**ASAP Books and Taxes, Nikki & Tamara** - February 02, 2024  
at 04:23 PM