



## Richard "Ricky" Spooner

December 14, 1955 - November 21, 2016

Richard "Ricky" Spooner, born December 14, 1955, passed away on November 21, 2016. A native of Tallahassee, he was a well-known and respected man. Being the loving, generous and compassionate person that he was, he never met a stranger. His charm and optimism shined through in his sunny disposition. While on earth, he achieved many great things, but his pride and joy was his family. He often referred to them as 'SPOONER NATION', which is fitting for the size of his family. He spent his entire life working tirelessly to provide for them. Even during the toughest of times, Ricky always had a way of bringing joy and laughter. His wit and charismatic attitude made it easy to feel comfortable around him. Even at the expense of himself, he would do what he could to make others comfortable. Our world feels a bit darker, by the sudden loss of such an amazing husband, son, brother, father, grandfather), uncle, and above all FRIEND. He was loved by all, and he loved all. After all, as he would say "WHAT'S NOT TO LOVE"? "Indeed", he was... (grin)...

He is survived by his partner of 25 years, Gina Spooner, nine children, Nikki Spooner, Sharon Beverly (Gus), Christina Jacob (Wayne), Tiffany Spooner, Amanda Spooner, Stephanie Miller (Jessie), Johnathan Spooner, Austin Spooner, Haley Spooner; the most amazing sister, Freta Kinsey and nineteen grandchildren. Ricky is preceded in death by his parents, Robert and Vivian Spooner. A Memorial Service will be held on December 10, 2016 at 1 PM , at 7000 Natural Bridge Rd, Tallahassee, FL 32305. If anyone would like to share

a story or memory, please feel free to come out and let's celebrate the time that we all had with him. There will also be a slide show for everyone to look back over the years that Rick graced us with his presence. If anyone has any photos that they would like to add, please email his daughter at [stephaniemiller1023@gmail.com](mailto:stephaniemiller1023@gmail.com) with a subject as 'Rick's Slideshow'. Thank you and I hope that everyone that is able can make it his service. Amber Miller of Bevis Funeral Home, Harvey-Young Chapel is assisting the family with arrangements, 850-926-3333 or [www.bevisfh.com](http://www.bevisfh.com).

# Tribute Wall



“ *Missing you so much dad*



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**Haley Spooner** - June 30, 2019 at 04:29 PM



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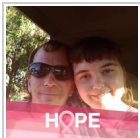
**Haley Spooner** - August 31, 2018 at 07:41 PM



“ *I miss and love you so much Dad*

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**Haley Spooner** - February 09, 2018 at 09:57 PM



“ *!! I Loved & Honored This Special Man Very Dearly He was A Great Father & Friend to me Threw the Years !! He Gave me my first Construction Job & we worked Together for many Years !! He Taught me so very many Things !! We Love & Miss You Always !! R.S !!*

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**Christopher Colson** - December 02, 2016 at 07:25 PM

HS

“ *Haley Spooner lit a candle in memory of Richard "Ricky" Spooner*



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**Haley Spooner** - November 30, 2016 at 09:50 AM

CJ

“ *I miss my Dad more than anyone will ever know. I keep my head up and try to stay strong when trials come, and this has been a huge trial but I'm making it. I always wanted to make Dad proud, and be there to take care of him like he had done for us. He was a giver, and I have inherited that same trait from him which I am super thankful for. As much as my heart is breaking right now, I am thankful that God took him at a time in his life when he was feeling better and happy. He was so tired of feeling sick and hurting, and despite how painful it is for us to lose him, God peacefully took him in his sleep and took all the pain away. My dad was a funny man, always having some goofy joke. He was one of the most hardworking men I know, that took his job to provide for his family very seriously. He enjoyed his toys(trucks, cars, motorcycles) and games(cards), but never let it come before his responsibilities as a Father. He did his very best in raising his children, maybe made a few mistakes along the way, as we all do as parents, but he did his best. He had a special love for his Mom, Dad, and the best Sister in the world that was undeniable. Dad was always in search of deal ( I inherited this too) and loved when he was able to talk someone down on the price. I love my Dad and feel honored to be #3 of #9 of the " Spooner Nation". I will continue to live in a way that makes him proud and think of him always. Love the Rickster, but hey, "whats not to love"....right?*

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**Christina Jacob** - November 27, 2016 at 07:03 PM

SM

*This is perfect.*

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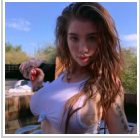
**Stephanie Miller** - November 28, 2016 at 07:33 AM

AS

*Wow Christina... You hit the nail on the head! I couldn't agree more!  
We love you & Daddy was soo proud of you.*

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**Amanda Spooner** - November 28, 2016 at 07:50 AM



“ *I met Ricky thru Donnie & Patty Rabin in 1980..... I fell in love with his laughter and personality... We were the wildwood group... he also chewed chewing tobacco and I starting calling him Ricky Spitter... I'm sure we all have our own special memories... To all of his family you are all in my thoughts and prayers... RIP My old Friend...  
Patty Tye Gurney...*

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**Patricia Gurney** - November 25, 2016 at 03:33 PM

SH

“ *Dear family, I am so sorry for your loss. Ricky was a great man and a great cousin. He was always ready to listen and visit. I believe he truly had an adventurous spirit - not afraid of much - always found humor in situations (if it could be found). Although we didn't talk much at all it was grand just knowing he was close by and available. He will be missed. Susan Harrell*

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**Susan Harrell** - November 25, 2016 at 10:03 AM

DB

“ October 19, 1979, Ricky, Paige and I were playing pool at Poor Paul's Pourhouse when they ran into a friend and introduced me to her (Iris). We have been married ever since. After Poor Paul's we headed to Tommy's, then Sid's and then Ricky's house to play poker into the early morning hours. He was always fun and ready to party anytime (loved taking your money playing poker). When we moved to Texas he was there for us with a place to live, help finding a job and introducing us to a wonderful crowd of new friends. It has been a few years since we have seen Ricky, but we think of him often and laugh at the many memories we have. He was a great man, friend, father and provider to all. RIP Ricky

*Donnie Barrett*

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**Donnie Barrett** - November 24, 2016 at 07:07 PM

JA

“ Rick,

*May you know that you played a major role in my life... you have taught me so many lessons in my life. How to make money, how to show respect, and much about parenting are all areas that you've left your footprint in my world. Some of the best times I've ever known have been with you... building 2 houses a week and feeling proud, accomplished, and capable... best of all, celebrating it all at the end of the week. Thank you for the role you played... I mention your name often and your name will continue to be spoken forever by many. One HELL of a dad you were... rest easy Rick.*

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**Justin Autry** - November 24, 2016 at 04:28 PM

SM

*I'm so glad that you got word. I tried to get a hold of your grandma yesterday with no luck, but the ladies at the bank said that they had already been notified. Know that dad was really proud of the man you have become. ❤️*

Stephanie Miller - November 24, 2016 at 10:21 PM

SP

*“ Rick taught me how to nail hurricane clips and teased his own guys that I was faster and better than them. He was one of the friendliest people I've ever known. He reminded me a lot of my father with all his cars and his personality. He will be sorely missed but who could imagine a better angel to watch over you. "SIP RICK" ”*

Susan Paisley - November 23, 2016 at 08:10 PM

JS

*“ I never wanted this day to come. Rick was my dearest friend, and he has shown unconditional love to all who knew him. I cannot say enough good things about this man who gave sacrificially to help his children and grandchildren, and was always available for a friend to listen, talk, give advice, or provide a shoulder to lean on. He had some creative and unique ideas, and marched to his own drummer. Many times he would ask that I come over and trim his hair very short because he messed it up in trying to save on barber fees. He was not being cheap, he was being frugal, because he no doubt was going to give that money to one of his kids who he wanted to bless! He made people feel so comfortable around him, by smiling, laughing, or sharing a joke. My life has been touched greatly by this wonderful man, and I am so blessed to have had him in my life. May God bless the family and comfort them in their loss. ”*

Judy Seaman - November 23, 2016 at 08:03 PM

SM

“ My dad always talked about a time that I backed his Barracuda into a tree, then got out and said that I didn't. While the tree was still moving from impact. It wasn't funny then, but he got a kick out of it now. Especially when I'd tell him of something that my children had done. I miss him so much already, and I still can't believe that this is real life. Love you, dad. 💕💕💕

stephanie miller - November 23, 2016 at 11:57 AM

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“ 3 files added to the album Memories Album



Bevis Funeral Home - November 23, 2016 at 09:17 AM