



Ralph Leo Hendrickson

September 29, 1955 - November 8, 2020

Ralph Leo Hendrickson, 65, of Cape Girardeau, passed away Sunday, Nov. 8, 2020 at Saint Francis Medical Center.

He was born Sept. 29, 1955 in Egypt Mills, Missouri to the late Benson and Rosemary (Halter) Hendrickson.

He excelled in his career as a commercial real estate agent.

He enjoyed volunteering at the food pantry and making donations and contributions to local organizations. Some knew him as “Grand Master Hendrickson”. He instilled a foundation of respect, work ethic, and responsibility to his Moo Sul Kwan family. He was a devoted member of St. Vincent de Paul Parish and regularly attended the Cursillo men’s group at the church.

He was on fire about his Catholic faith and he was a light to everyone he met. If you knew him, you loved him. Most of all, he was a devoted father and grandfather. He was the absolute best.

Ralph is survived by his son, Alex (Renee) Hendrickson of Cape Girardeau; daughters, Rachel (Brad) Shuh of Cape Girardeau, Katie (Garrett) McVey of Jackson and Lauren (Nathan) Berry of Fruitland; brothers, Paul (Colette) Hendrickson of Cape Girardeau, Ray (Robin) Hendrickson of Jackson and Mark Hendrickson of Cape Girardeau; grandchildren, Bryson, Leo, Ben, Noah, Evelyn, Sophia, Parker, Madalynn, Alexandra, Lucas, Emma, Erin and Caroline; loving friend, Tammy (LeGrand) Jordan.

He was preceded in death by his parents; grandchildren, Mabel and Elijah

McVey.

Visitation will be Wednesday, Nov. 11, 2020 from 4:00 to 8:00 p.m. at Ford and Sons Mt. Auburn Chapel with parish prayers at 7:00 p.m.

Funeral Mass will be Thursday, Nov. 12, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. at St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church with Father Rick Jones officiating.

Burial will follow at St. Mary's Cemetery in Cape Girardeau.

Memorial donations may be given to the Catholic Social Ministries Food Pantry c/o St. Mary Cathedral, Teen Challenge or Safehouse for Women.

Cemetery Details

St. Mary's Cemetery

1101 Perry Ave.
Cape Girardeau, MO 63701

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 11. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Ford and Sons Mt. Auburn Chapel

Funeral Mass

NOV 12. 10:00 AM (CT)

St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church
1919 Ritter Dr.
Cape Girardeau, MO 63701

Tribute Wall

AW

“ Dear Hendrickson family, Please accept our deepest sympathy for the loss of your beloved father. Your ND family loves you and is praying for you!
Jeff & Amy Worley

Amy Worley - November 15, 2020 at 09:17 PM



“ Cheeseboard Complete was purchased for the family of Ralph Leo Hendrickson.



November 14, 2020 at 11:20 AM

BD

“ Ralph and his children will always have a special place in my heart. I loved when he would come to my office and we would just talk about things needed at Notre Dame. He always touched my heart with his stories and his love of his children. I will never forget him telling me of how he would repay me at Notre Dame. Well Ralph, your presence in my life was your "repaying". I cherish your memory and the memory of your children, May the God who is so good Hug your forever.
All my Love to your wonderful children who graced my life for many years. I only wish New York wasn't so far away.

Brother David Anthony Migliorino, OSF

Brother David - November 12, 2020 at 01:06 PM

MH

“ Me and Ralph became friends years ago at nell holcomb school and stayed in touch since then a very fine and honest gentleman. Mr. Kim Hindman

Mr. Kim Hindman - November 12, 2020 at 09:27 AM

LH

“ Our hearts goes out to all of Ralph's family. Your Chicago cousins are with our Missouri family in spirit. Love and blessings, Linda and Wayne Heifner



Linda Heifner - November 12, 2020 at 02:42 AM

DG

“ Ralph, as many of our SEMO Delta Chi brothers have already said, you will be greatly missed by all. You had a quiet grace about you, and always lit up a room with your presence. I'm sure Tiki was waiting for you, and the two of you are ready to "stay low and paddow"!

Dave Greaves

Dave Greaves - November 11, 2020 at 02:47 PM

LP

“ Laurie Powers lit a candle in memory of Ralph Leo Hendrickson



Laurie Powers - November 11, 2020 at 02:02 PM



“ I knew Mr. Hendrickson from teaching Tae Kwon Do, and at the level he had attained, is a great accomplishment, but learned to deeply respect a man who was so much more. Mr. Hendrickson was a genuinely good person in a world seeming to go astray. He was a bastion to be the better man and will be greatly missed in so many areas of this world. Thank you for allowing me to know you for the time I did sir, and thank you to his family for for allowing us time with him.



Jason Edwards - November 11, 2020 at 01:40 PM

BT

“ My condolences to Ralph's family. I will remember Ralph as an upbeat and kind person. Rest in peace Ralph and remember to "stay low and paddow"

Bob Topolski - November 11, 2020 at 09:53 AM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Ralph Leo Hendrickson.



November 11, 2020 at 09:52 AM

RL

“ *Ralph, you surely will be missed.*

In the Bond,

Randy Loftis '82

Randall Loftis - November 11, 2020 at 08:51 AM

MT

“ *Master Henderickson was truly amazing with my son. I am thankful for the years he spent learning from him. He really took the time with each of his students and cared so much. I am so sorry for your loss. He was an amazing man and will be missed.*

Melissa Thomas - November 11, 2020 at 06:43 AM

TF

“ *The Hyatt Family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Ralph Leo Hendrickson.*



The Hyatt Family - November 11, 2020 at 01:04 AM



“ *Delightful Dieffenbachia was purchased for the family of Ralph Leo Hendrickson.*



November 10, 2020 at 11:21 PM

RG

“ I’m deeply saddened by the news of Ralph’s passing. My deepest sympathy to Ralph’s family and loved ones. Many times Ralph would drop by the old house, on of all places, “Henderson Street” and hang out with us a bit. He would laugh the loudest at all the goofy stuff that we would “ shoot the breeze” about. Fellow founding father, Rest In Peace.
Richard Gottlieb

Richard Gottlieb - November 10, 2020 at 08:19 PM



“ My deepest condolences to Brother Ralph's family. I remember meeting him as a "young" new Delta Chi. He was a great Brother!

"Stay low and paddow!"

*In The Bond,
Darryl 'Doc' Spurlock, Alpha Lambda
SEMO Delta Chi 1996*

Doc Baconator - November 10, 2020 at 08:13 PM

TB

“ Over the last few days I have heard so many beautiful things about Ralph from those who worked in the Realtor profession. Praying for you during this time of grief.

*Terry L. Baker
Southeast Missouri Realtors*

Terry I Baker - November 10, 2020 at 03:23 PM

AK

“ I will never forget Ralph. Like many of the SEMO Delta Chi Founders he was greatly talented, a hard worker, and had a great personality that everyone gravitated to. Every room he entered instantly became brighter. You were a real blessing to all who knew you. I can only imagine your first words upon passing through the gates of Heaven, "Stay low and paddow". Until we meet again my friend.

Always in the Bond!
Alan (Mac) Kinsey

Alan Kinsey - November 10, 2020 at 03:09 PM

MK

“ Moo Do Kwan purchased the Fairest of All for the family of Ralph Leo Hendrickson.



Moo Do Kwan - November 10, 2020 at 02:52 PM



“ Ralph - I am sorry that I didn't get to see you again in this life. I remember you as a kind and very considerate Brother in Delta Chi. You always seemed to have a smile on your face. From reading the other kind words on this site I see you are leaving a great legacy of loving family and friends. You walked in Gods light during your time on earth. That is not a surprise my Brother - Rest In Peace until we meet again.

Ron Isom - November 10, 2020 at 02:00 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Ralph Leo Hendrickson.*



November 10, 2020 at 01:55 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Ralph Leo Hendrickson.*



November 10, 2020 at 01:30 PM



“ *BOLD Marketing Family purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Ralph Leo Hendrickson.*



BOLD Marketing Family - November 10, 2020 at 01:16 PM



“ *Ralph,
“Well done, good and faithful servant!” You touched many lives, and your SEMO Delta Chi brothers will always smile when they hear the phrase “stay low and paddow”.*
Rojo

Chris Rojewski - November 10, 2020 at 01:12 PM

GL

“ One of the best friends I ever knew. Truly one of kind and gone too soon. You will be missed by many.
RIP buddy.

Gary Linebaugh

GARY L LINEBAUGH - November 10, 2020 at 10:58 AM

T(

“ I am still in shock at the loss of my brother and great friend, We had a great Marketing Research trip with some in interesting solution to a nagging problem. Float trips were always interesting such as his submarine with Kevin, and protecting brownies from certain doom. Rest In Peace our great friend. You will always live in our hearts. Just get low and paddow your way to God. A room is being prepared for you our eternal brother.

Tom Caruthers (Tc) - November 10, 2020 at 10:53 AM



“ Ralph, a friend to all and Delta Chi brother. RIP, stay low and paddow.

Tim Roth - November 10, 2020 at 10:26 AM

KB

“ Sad to hear we've lost you Ralph. You were a good man and a patient canoe partner. "Stay low and paddow" buddy. God bless Kevin Billings

Kevin Billings - November 10, 2020 at 10:25 AM

MQ

“ *Master Hendrickson was truly an inspirational man to all who knew him from his Moo Sul Kwan family. A great instructor, mentor, communicator, organizer and I always envied his commitment and resolve to his Catholic faith. There are no words to truly convey how much he will be missed, and thought of, in the coming years ahead.*

What we have lost here the Good Lord has gained and that is a comforting thought. Prayers for his family and friends at this time and May he rest in peace until we meet again.

*Mike Quinn
Moo Sul Kwan- St Louis
Hosin*

Mike Quinn - November 10, 2020 at 10:09 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Ralph Leo Hendrickson.*



November 10, 2020 at 10:04 AM

KM

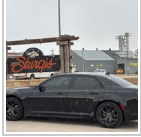
“ *Great brother to all - always a big smile and welcome and of course words of wisdom to live by - Stay low and Paddow.*

Kevin Montgomery - November 10, 2020 at 09:49 AM

CP

“ *"Stay low and paddow" my Delta Chi Brother and Friend.*

Cord Polen - November 10, 2020 at 09:02 AM



“ Welcome to that highest Court, ITB. "Stay low and paddow!"

Bruce Skinner - November 10, 2020 at 08:37 AM

JF

“ A great man with a great heart! Our loss is heaven's gain! When I get there I hope to hear "Stay low and paddow!"

Jeff Fanger - November 10, 2020 at 08:25 AM

LJ

“ Laura James lit a candle in memory of Ralph Leo Hendrickson



Laura James - November 10, 2020 at 07:42 AM

BD

“ Ralph,

"Stay low and paddow!" my SEMO Delta Chi brother and friend. You will live on in our hearts and our stories. We will toast your memory every year on the Float Trip.

*Brad DePriest
St. Louis, MO*

Brad DePriest - November 10, 2020 at 07:17 AM

JN

“ May your happy memories help heal your broken hearts. Love & prayers to all. Love Jennie

Jennie Noel - November 09, 2020 at 09:04 PM

TH

“ Tommy Hunter purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Ralph Leo Hendrickson.



Tommy Hunter - November 09, 2020 at 08:08 PM



“ Heart's Companion Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ralph Leo Hendrickson.



November 09, 2020 at 08:00 PM

JB

“ Julie Brant lit a candle in memory of Ralph Leo Hendrickson



Julie Brant - November 09, 2020 at 04:57 PM

JN

“ Jennie Noel lit a candle in memory of Ralph Leo Hendrickson



Jennie Noel - November 09, 2020 at 04:48 PM

SN

“ *Susan Noce lit a candle in memory of Ralph Leo Hendrickson*



Susan Noce - November 09, 2020 at 04:07 PM

YF

“ *Your Progressive Family purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Ralph Leo Hendrickson.*



Your Progressive Family - November 09, 2020 at 03:42 PM

BF

“ *Boyce and Pamela Church and Family purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Ralph Leo Hendrickson.*



Boyce and Pamela Church and Family - November 09, 2020 at 03:20 PM

“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Ralph Leo Hendrickson.*



November 09, 2020 at 03:13 PM