



## Mr. Charles Randy Ragsdale

November 1, 1947 - October 16, 2014

Charles Randolph “Randy” Ragsdale III left this world for the next surrounded by family in the early morning hours of October 16th at St. Lukes Hospital in Houston. Randy had a full life with lots of love and adventure. He was born to Charles Randolph Ragsdale, Jr. and Virginia Ruth Petty Ragsdale in Graham, Texas on November 1, 1947. The family moved to Henderson, Texas when he was 10. While attending Henderson High School, Randy showed that he could excel at anything he tried, becoming the quarterback of the football team, pitching for the baseball team, and playing point guard on the basketball team. He was even a state-ranked runner for the school’s track team, and successfully competed in competitive cycling. After attending Kilgore College, Randy left for the University of Texas in 1967, where he became a Texas Longhorn. He met the love of his life, Diane, in 1979, and the two were quickly inseparable. Randy and Diane moved to Lake Jackson, Texas in 1980 and lived there until his death. Randy presently worked for Graybar Electric. A habit he picked up after buying a Porsche, Randy loved to drive fast, make good time and scare his wife and other passengers despite owning Suburbans later in life. Randy liked to do things his way and the thoughts of others did not deter him. Randy loved to travel and meet people. An early riser and avid golfer, Randy almost always had the earliest tee time on the course, so he could return home in time to have lunch and watch football with Diane. Randy was an amazing person as anyone who met him can attest. He was kind, funny, forthright, and genuinely interested in the people he met along life’s path. He was a devoted husband, father, son, and brother, and enjoyed nothing more than watching his children grow into the responsible, well rounded people he and Diane raised them to be. Although taken from us too early, Randy lived a rich and colorful life and we are all better for having been a part of it. Randy is predeceased by his father. He is survived by his wife of 35 years, Diane Ragsdale of Lake Jackson, mother Ruth Ragsdale of Henderson, brother Dean Ragsdale and wife Ann of Houston, brother David Ragsdale and wife Christi of Fort Worth, sister Sheila Alford and husband Steve of Henderson, Son Kris Rosenkoetter of Pasadena, daughter Misty Reed and husband David of Temple, and son Charles Randolph “Chase” Ragsdale IV and wife Haley of Midland. Randy also leaves behind 5 grandchildren, 1 great grandchild, and numerous nieces and nephews. Services for Randy will be held at Crawford-A. Crim Funeral Home in Henderson, Texas at

3:00 on Saturday, October 18th, 2014 with Rev. David Higgs officiating. Interment will follow at Lakewood Memorial Park under the direction of Crawford-A. Crim Funeral Home. Family will receive friends from 2-3 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 18, 2014 one hour before the service.

A Memorial service will be held at 11:00 a.m., Saturday, Oct. 25, 2014 at First Presbyterian Church of Lake Jackson.

Pallbearers are Cody Ragsdale, Zachary Ragsdale, Tony Jaracz, Joshua Alford, Jason Alford, and Bob Dickson. Honorary pallbearers are R.B. Powell, Jerry Nichols, Gary Stephens, Terry McCollough, James Miller, and Dave Smelcer.

Words of comfort may be shared with the family at [www.crawfordacrim.com](http://www.crawfordacrim.com).

# Events

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**OCT**   **Visitation**                    02:00PM - 03:00PM

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Crawford A.Crim Funeral Home

1414 South Main Street, Henderson, TX, US, 75654

**OCT**   **Service**                                03:00PM

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**OCT**   **Memorial Service** 11:00AM

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First Presbyterian Church

Lake Jackson, TX, US

# Comments

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“ A tribute video has been added.



**Crawford- A.Crim Funeral Home** - October 17, 2014 at 05:54 PM



“ Beautiful memories! A wonderful son, husband, father, and friend will be greatly missed!

**Jimmie Sue McKeller** - October 31, 2014 at 08:30 AM

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“ Diane - I'm so sorry Randy is gone... sorry for you and the rest of us. He was one of the most genuine and truly nice guys that it was my pleasure to call a friend. I'll miss hearing about his latest golf conquests!  
Gary Crabtree

**Gary Crabtree** - October 25, 2014 at 09:39 AM

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“ Diane, I am so sorry to hear of your husband's passing. I viewed the photo tribute and it was beautiful and so special. May our precious Lord be with you and comfort you during this most difficult time. May those beautiful and special memories be of comfort to you and also knowing that you have many friends who care and will keep you in our prayers.  
Carol Gerault

**Carol Gerault** - October 23, 2014 at 06:48 PM

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“ I was very saddened to hear about Randy. h

If there is one word to describe him it would be the word, "special".

When we would be playing phone tag and would finally connect, he would say, "be still my heart, I finally got you on the phone, Mrs. Yust". He made me feel like I really mattered to him.

Randy was genuinely interested in people and what was going on in their world.

We have lost a real gem.

I will truly miss him.

**Teresa Yust** - October 23, 2014 at 12:30 PM

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“ Randy was always such a gentleman and a real pro in the electrical business. He sure will be missed!

Brian Burnham

**Brian Burnham** - October 21, 2014 at 10:13 AM

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“ Ragsdale family, it is with a heavy heart that I learn of Randy's passing. Lots of fun memories of him helping to build a house across the street from us. Those memories then changed to him and his family. So honored to have known Randy. May you continue to feel God's grace throughout this very difficult time.

Davey Swisher Harper and family

**Davey Harper** - October 20, 2014 at 10:37 PM

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“ My thoughts and prayers are with you all ....Love you all!



**Connie Boatwright** - October 19, 2014 at 11:01 PM

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“ Sheila, Ruth, David and Dean,

I am so sorry to hear about Randy. We were out of town and did not get to attend the service. Please know that our thoughts and prayers are with you. David and I think so much of the Ragsdale family.

David and Jan Crow

**Jan Crow** - October 19, 2014 at 12:46 PM



“ We were so sad to read of Randy's death in the Facts. He helped build you one fine house, Dean and Ann, along with your mom, Ruth. We got to know Randy at that time and shared many fun visits. Diane remembering all our visits while negotiating the purchase of your house in Lake Jackson. We always considered him a friend, he will be missed and we are glad that we were part of his life's path.  
Our love and sympathy to all the Ragsdale family, Jackie and David Swisher

**jackie swisher** - October 19, 2014 at 09:35 AM

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“ I remember Randy most for his integrity. We worked together for several years and there was never a question about his honesty and pride for his family. He would always brag about his brother Dean. He was very proud of him, and I told him "Randy, you are a real good guy yourself". Lori and I are deeply shocked at the loss of Randy. He will remain forever in our prayers. We send our deepest regests to Diane and all of the family. We stand ready to help in any way.  
Bob and Lori Sipple

**Bob Sipple** - October 18, 2014 at 11:52 AM

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“ Sheila/Steve  
Sorry for the loss of your brother and brother-in-law. It reads like he live a full and happy life. May GOD be with you and your family through these times.  
Brent Hale

**Brent Hale** - October 18, 2014 at 06:48 AM

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“ Randy was a classmate of mine for eight years .  
He was a stand-up guy you could count on.his memories will remain strong.  
Carol Ross Young

**carol young** - October 17, 2014 at 10:29 PM

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“ We will miss you Uncle Randy you are flying high with the Angels now and no more pain!! We love you <3

**Miranda Thornburgh** - October 17, 2014 at 04:24 PM

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“ Randy was a wonderful coworker and friend. I spent the last 11 years working with him laughing and sharing family stories. He was one of the few people I knew that could quote Seinfeld off of the top of his head. He will missed, cried over and remembered always. Hey Randy..... these pretzels are making me thirsty.

**Gina McCoy Carmichael** - October 17, 2014 at 02:49 PM

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“ Sheila I'm so sorry for your loss -- my thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.

I remember Randy from high school.

Candy Duncan Grant



**Candy Grant** - October 17, 2014 at 01:21 PM

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“ Bob & Sue Henderson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Charles Randy Ragsdale



**Bob & Sue Henderson** - October 17, 2014 at 12:24 PM

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“ Randy was a great husband, father and friend. I am so sorry for your loss. You are all in my thoughts and prayers.

**Shelley McIntyre** - October 17, 2014 at 12:11 PM

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“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time.

**Bobby & Christi Hays** - October 17, 2014 at 09:50 AM



“ I could always rely on Randy whenever I needed help, with my work project and loved to get off track and talk about riding road bicycle lol.  
I will miss you alot.



**RIGO** - October 17, 2014 at 09:11 AM



“ What a great boyhood friend. We played baseball in my backyard until dark just about every day.  
Mike Brooks

**Mike Brooks** - October 16, 2014 at 05:34 PM