



Richard Dean Boles

June 2, 1955 - June 7, 2018

Richard Dean Boles, 63, of Mooresville, NC, passed away on Thursday, June 7, 2018, at Levine and Dixon Hospice House in Huntersville, NC. He was born in Winston-Salem, NC, on June 2, 1955, to the late Charles "Chuck" Richard Boles and Helen Dean Boles Reynolds. Richard was a lover of music and a graduate of East Forsyth Senior High in Kernersville, NC and attended the University of North Carolina Wilmington, NC. He was a producer at WGHP TV station in High Point, NC, before moving to Dallas, Texas. He then went on to retire as a case worker for the State of Texas. He is survived by his wife of 28 years, Kay Boles, of Dallas, Texas; sister, Susan Hale (Robert), of Mooresville, NC and their children, Nichole Hale (Ryan Dillon), of Wilmington, NC, and Brandt Hale, of Denver, Colorado; great-niece and great-nephew, twins, Kenleigh and Aiden Hale; half -sister, Karen Boles Fulton (Mark); half-brother, David Boles; special cousins, Teresa (Terri) Dean and Rhonda Pinnix, both of Kernersville, NC; a longtime good friend, John Ewart, of Wilmington, NC; Kay's mother, Joann Summerhill; Kay's sisters, Kandra Parks (David); Sandra Platt (Jeff); Kay's brother, Kyle Summerhill(Dawn); all from Texas. He was preceded in death by his step-father, B. F. "Frank" Reynolds and friend, Gary Murray. Richard was a member of Morris Chapel United Church in Walkertown, NC and Bartimaeus Baptist Temple in Dallas, Texas, where he had a multitude of friends in the church. Richard was an avid reader, book collector and loved watching movies, especially the old classic movies. He loved going to the Half-Priced Bookstore in Dallas for his book collection. He

and Kay looked forward to going to the State Fair in Texas every year especially to see "Big Tex", (Richard's nickname). The family would like to thank the nurses, staff, volunteers and especially Pastor Gary of the Levine & Dixon Hospice House. We are forever grateful for their care and compassion. Memorial services for Richard will be held at 12:00 noon on Saturday, August 11 at Cavin-Cook Funeral Home Chapel.

Cavin-Cook Funeral Home & Crematory, Mooresville, is serving the Boles family. Condolences may be sent to the family at www.cavin-cook.com.

Tribute Wall

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“Richard was an amazing brother-in-law! We loved him so much. From the first time he came to visit Kay in Texas, he treated us (my sister Sandra, and myself Kandra) with such kindness, friendship, humor, etc. One of my first memories was of Richard visiting for the first time and bringing both of us special stickers. I had a sticker collection and had never seen such beautiful stickers of all kinds—brightly colored, puffy, shiny, satiny, rainbows, teddy bears, you name it! Lucky for us, Richard married Kay so we got to keep him in Texas with all of us. We were very proud to have him marry into our family. Over the years, while my twin sister and I were growing up, going off to college, getting married, etc. we didn't always get to visit Kay and Richard as often as we'd like or as long as we'd like, but Richard was truly an integral part of our family and we all made sure to get together at least several times throughout each year, sometimes at Kay & Richard's home, sometimes at my parents, and even later at mine or Sandra's homes once we were married and had homes in Dallas. Richard was a life saver at my wedding. I wasn't able to afford a photographer, and Richard took all the wedding photos. If it weren't for him I'd have no photos. He did a great job! And honestly, anyone could have hired him as a photographer because he was great at it! Later, it was harder getting together with Kay & Richard after I had 5 children of my own to take care of, but I tried to be helpful for Kay and Richard whenever I could. However, during those years it was often Kay and Richard reaching out and pouring their love on my children. They couldn't have their own but they treated my kids with the same love they would have bestowed on their own children and, despite Richard and Kay's limitations, they got my children school clothes, had their photos taken, bought them school supplies and birthday presents, etc. My children were lucky growing up to have all of that extra love, and to grow up knowing Richard. Later, as my children became more independent but both Richard and Kay's health declined, Sandra and I tried very much and often to be helpful and keep Kay & Richard going, but it had gotten too hard on Richard to care for himself as he gave so much of himself in caring for Kay. We were heartbroken to have Richard move back to North Carolina but

we'd hoped more family support from back home there would help him regain health while we did our best to manage Kay's needs as she declined and moved in and out of hospitals and into nursing. Our hearts (mine and Sandra's) truly broke when we learned that Richard had passed. Somehow I'd assumed he'd get better without the extra daily stress of caring for Kay, and I'd hoped we'd be able to visit with him again later, either for him to come back to Texas or us to visit him in North Carolina. Alas Richard and Kay have both left us now and there are huge gaping holes in our hearts. Richard, you were an A+++ All-Star brother-in-law. So loving, intelligent, humorous... You are truly missed.

With love, from Kandra Summerhill Parks and Sandra Summerhill-Platt

Kandra Summerhill Parks - January 24, 2025 at 04:27 PM



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“ Susan, I don't know how I happened on this information. But, I remember, with joy your wonderful family and your brother. I remember as a young girl going out to dig potatoes, your grandmother and your sweet brother. My sympathy and love,
Denise Rich Smith

Denise Smith - April 12, 2019 at 09:46 AM