



## Mr. Reddis "Cowboy" Riddle

April 4, 1944 - December 28, 2013

Reddis "Cowboy" Riddle, 69 of Bluffton passed away at 11:44 a.m. Saturday December 28, 2013 at his daughters home in Bluffton surrounded by his family.

He was born on April 4, 1944 in Owingsville, Kentucky to Elick "Bud" & Nona Mae (Riddle) Pendelton. Cowboy worked as a Blue Print Engineer for Mix Mill in Bluffton for 30 years retiring in 1993. His work took him to 14 different countries and 38 states as he set up for world Trade Shows. In 1986 he opened the Cowboy's Restaurant in Bluffton. He owned W& R Construction with Doug & Sandy Williams, building homes for the last 15 years.

Cowboy was a member of the Wells County Coon Hunters Association for over 40 years and was an avid poker player. He was an avid Demolition Derby Fan and had worked on many cars and attended and competed in derbies in the Tri-State Area. Recently Cowboy enjoyed working as a derby official. He was also a member of the American Legion Post #111 of Bluffton.

He is survived by a daughter Lisa M. Owens of Bluffton and a grandson Jerry Reinhard of Fort Wayne along with a brother, Earl Ray Pendelton and sister Mary Jean Milton, both of Kentucky. He recently married his longtime companion Doris Belcher of Bluffton.

He is preceded in death by two brothers; Hansford "Buck" Pendelton, Ronnie Pendelton and two sisters Darlene Purvis and Ann Purvis.

A Service to Celebrate Cowboy's Life will be held at 12 Noon on Friday at the Thoma/Rich, Chaney & Lemler Funeral Home in Bluffton with calling beginning at 11:00 a.m.. Pastor Arley Higginbotham and Jeff Lemler will officiate. Calling will also be held for 12 noon to 8 p.m. on Thursday at the funeral home.

Burial will take place at Six Mile Cemetery in Bluffton, Memorials may be made to the Wells County Coon Hunters Association or the Steve Kelly Foundation. Friends can send online condolences to the family at [www.thomarich.com](http://www.thomarich.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Six Mile Cemetery

4795 SE State Road 116  
Bluffton, IN

# Tribute Wall



“ *Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mr. Reddis "Cowboy" Riddle*



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**Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home** - December 28, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ *Mr. Reddis "Cowboy" Riddle*

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September 08, 2022 at 08:26 PM



“ *Cowboy you will be missed but may you be the life of the party in your better place as you were while you were with us. Much love my friend*



*Heather Fuller*

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**Heather Fuller** - February 24, 2014 at 11:22 AM

S(

“ Susan Hatten (hupp) lit a candle in memory of Mr. Reddis "Cowboy" Riddle



susan hatten (hupp) - February 04, 2014 at 11:51 AM

S(

“ i am so sorry for ur loss he was a great man so sorry my prayers are sent susie hatten(hupp)

susan hatten (hupp) - February 04, 2014 at 11:49 AM

MF

“ Mrs Ruth Graham And Family lit a candle in memory of Mr. Reddis "Cowboy" Riddle



mrs ruth graham and family - January 16, 2014 at 02:36 PM



“ Rest in Peace Uncle Reddis dance to heaven in your Pink Cadillac! love you



Angie Edington - January 13, 2014 at 01:52 PM

PM

“ Pam Manning lit a candle in memory of Mr. Reddis "Cowboy" Riddle



Pam Manning - January 03, 2014 at 06:21 PM

Jennifer Winters

“ The Lord has recieved another Angel! My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family! I will never forget you!



Jennifer Winters - January 03, 2014 at 10:42 AM

DR

“ you will be greatly missed by his carnie family.. we knew that when we hit the streets of Bluffton Indiana that cowboy would welcome us with open arms and a great big smile. this past year was not the same without you being a part of it. We know that you will be smiling down on us next year as we return.. in your honor I will personally make sure we visit you every year during the fair.



diane roberts - January 03, 2014 at 10:21 AM

DR

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



**diane roberts** - January 03, 2014 at 10:11 AM



“ Aaron Huffman lit a candle in memory of Mr. Reddis "Cowboy" Riddle



**Aaron Huffman** - January 03, 2014 at 01:06 AM

JB

“ Cowboy will be missed, I have know him since i was little my grandparents use to eat at the resturant every saturday morning, I remember seeing him there and also I had got to know how special he was from working with Doris and Samantha at Lowes and him coming in to visit and shop at the store my he rest in peace, He will be truly missed Jaclyn Knueven Berry and Family

**Jaclyn Berry** - January 02, 2014 at 03:27 PM

VS

“ Vanessa Sprague lit a candle in memory of Mr. Reddis "Cowboy" Riddle



**Vannessa Sprague** - January 02, 2014 at 01:58 AM

VS

*We will miss you uncle Reddis, Love David, Jennifer, Chad, and Vanessa*

**Vannessa Sprague** - January 02, 2014 at 02:00 AM

VS

*“ Reddis, you will be deeply missed . You was always good to my kids and myself and always let us know we were family , when I came home you always made sure you seen me , but unfortunately I came to see you this summer due to you not feeling well , I know you never got to see Jennifer much, but she does not get home much. David is taking it hard he thought the world of his Uncle, I did my best to try to be there but the weather conditions are treacherous to drive 578 miles, I checked on a flight out but with the holidays could get nothing . I just wanted you all to know my heart goes out to his Daughter Lisa and Grandson ,wife Doris and all his family back home in Kentucky. Love and miss you David, Chad, Jennifer and Vanessa*

**Vannessa Sprague** - January 02, 2014 at 01:20 AM

BK

*“ Cowboy will be remembered fondly by the Kreighs as a man of many talents, much kindness, a wonderful smile, and always, always a willingness to be a friend. His gentleness and thoughtfulness will most definitely be missed.*

*Rex, Billy, and Jasper Stone Kreigh*



**Billy Kreigh** - January 01, 2014 at 08:30 PM

Matt  
Tappy

“ *Matt Tappy lit a candle in memory of Mr. Reddis "Cowboy" Riddle*



Matt Tappy - January 01, 2014 at 10:47 AM

JV

“ *uncle reddis i will miss you so much.i love you*



joyce vice - December 31, 2013 at 11:14 PM

LG

“ *Lisa And Bill Grogg lit a candle in memory of Mr. Reddis "Cowboy" Riddle*



lisa and bill grogg - December 31, 2013 at 03:05 PM

DG

“ *Deb Graham lit a candle in memory of Mr. Reddis "Cowboy" Riddle*



Deb Graham - December 31, 2013 at 11:51 AM

JH

“ I am so sorry for your loss Lisa. My thoughts and prayers are with you and yor family.



Julie Hacha - December 31, 2013 at 04:54 AM

TB

“ Tara Brown lit a candle in memory of Mr. Reddis "Cowboy" Riddle



Tara Brown - December 30, 2013 at 10:31 PM

CH

“ Lisa and Jerry, I was so sorry to here of Cowboys passing. My thoughts and prayers are with you. Cowboy was a great person and I was grateful to know know him, He will be missed by many



cami schorey hanlon - December 30, 2013 at 08:45 PM

EL

“ prayes go out from this carny in regina sk Canada the mouse



elmer - December 30, 2013 at 06:37 PM

VJ

“ Vernetta Jester lit a candle in memory of Mr. Reddis "Cowboy" Riddle



Vernetta Jester - December 30, 2013 at 06:17 PM

GG

“ Greg And Sheila Grimm sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Reddis "Cowboy" Riddle



Greg and Sheila Grimm - December 30, 2013 at 05:57 PM

GG

“ Greg And Sheila Grimm lit a candle in memory of Mr. Reddis "Cowboy" Riddle



Greg and Sheila Grimm - December 30, 2013 at 05:56 PM

TB

“ Cowboy will be greatly missed by all. He was a great man to all of us carnies. My prayers and thoughts are with your family.

Tacha Barton - December 30, 2013 at 04:46 PM

TB

“ Cowboy will be greatly missed by all. He was a great man to all of us carries. My prayers and thoughts are with your family.

Tacha Barton - December 30, 2013 at 04:46 PM

JM

“ Dear Lisa, You have my sympathy. I helped with your Dad's taxes so many years ago. Sincerely, Jayne Martin

Jayne Martin - December 30, 2013 at 03:46 PM

KH

“ Kristina Higginson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Reddis "Cowboy" Riddle



Kristina Higginson - December 30, 2013 at 03:07 PM

KH

The delicious home cooked food and knowing that we would see your friendly face in Bluffton every year is part of what kept me going when I was traveling with Poor Jack Amusements!! Heaven got an extra special Angel when it got you Cowboy!!

Kristina Higginson - December 30, 2013 at 03:09 PM

 Dawn Marie Heckert

“ Very Kind And Loving Man That Will Be Missed Dearly.  
Love, Dawn Heckert and Tim Heckert  
R.I.P. My Friend



Dawn Marie Heckert - December 30, 2013 at 02:24 PM

KB

“ *Katie Wallace Brooks lit a candle in memory of Mr. Reddis "Cowboy" Riddle*



**katie wallace brooks** - December 30, 2013 at 01:42 PM



“ *Mellanie Hollingsworth lit a candle in memory of Mr. Reddis "Cowboy" Riddle*



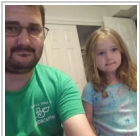
**Mellanie Hollingsworth** - December 30, 2013 at 12:18 PM

GG

“ *Gary & Kathy Gephart lit a candle in memory of Mr. Reddis "Cowboy" Riddle*



**Gary & Kathy Gephart** - December 30, 2013 at 11:49 AM



“ *r.i.p. cowboy gone but not forgotten crab man tony from poor jack amusements*

**Tony Sands** - December 30, 2013 at 11:45 AM

LF

“ We lit a candle for Cowboy today. He was a wonderful caring man. He had a great heart and compassion for other. Tanner will miss his yearly bumper car rides at the street fair. He truly will be missed.



Lori Farmer and family - December 30, 2013 at 11:42 AM

Jennifer Winters

“ My Thoughts and Prayers go out to You and your Family! Cowboy was a Great Guy with a Big Heart! I know He loved when the Bluffton Street Fair was in town. He took good care of us when we walked through his door with a Great Big Smile. Cowboy you will be Truly missed by your Carny Family! You will be Forever in our Hearts!



Jennifer Winters - December 30, 2013 at 11:33 AM

CB

“ Cody & Tina Bracht lit a candle in memory of Mr. Reddis "Cowboy" Riddle



Cody & Tina Bracht - December 30, 2013 at 10:39 AM

CO

Grandpa I will miss you love

Cody - December 30, 2013 at 10:41 AM

CO

I will love and miss you every time I here the song the dad you didn't have to be I think of you

Cody - December 30, 2013 at 10:45 AM



“ *Holding You Forever Holder Pendant was purchased for the family of Mr. Reddis "Cowboy" Riddle.*



December 30, 2013 at 09:08 AM



“ *Sadly Cowboy will be missed , Thoughts and prayers are with his family*

**Lauri Robison** - December 30, 2013 at 09:00 AM



“ *Ethel Habegger lit a candle in memory of Mr. Reddis "Cowboy" Riddle*



**Ethel Habegger** - December 30, 2013 at 08:56 AM



*Cowboy you will be missed by so many. You always had a smile on you face. R.I.P.*

**Ethel Habegger** - December 30, 2013 at 08:57 AM



“ *Anthony Wright lit a candle in memory of Mr. Reddis "Cowboy" Riddle*



**Anthony Wright** - December 30, 2013 at 07:00 AM



“ *I'm so glad I meet this man.....Cowboy u will always have a place in my heart :-)*

**Amber Cook-Hall** - December 30, 2013 at 06:14 AM



“ *Pamela King lit a candle in memory of Mr. Reddis "Cowboy" Riddle*



**Pamela King** - December 30, 2013 at 05:33 AM



“ *Deb Amburgey-Carson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Reddis "Cowboy" Riddle*



**Deb Amburgey-Carson** - December 30, 2013 at 04:46 AM



“ *Angela Bowens lit a candle in memory of Mr. Reddis "Cowboy" Riddle*



**Angela Bowens** - December 30, 2013 at 01:56 AM

DE

“ *David Eckelbarger lit a candle in memory of Mr. Reddis "Cowboy" Riddle*



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**David Eckelbarger** - December 30, 2013 at 12:58 AM

BF

“ *Becky Fravel-Heyerly lit a candle in memory of Mr. Reddis "Cowboy" Riddle*



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**Becky Fravel-Heyerly** - December 30, 2013 at 12:29 AM

 Randy Carson

“ *Randy Carson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Reddis "Cowboy" Riddle*



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**Randy Carson** - December 29, 2013 at 10:25 PM



“ *Wista Fornwalt lit a candle in memory of Mr. Reddis "Cowboy" Riddle*



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**Wista Fornwalt** - December 29, 2013 at 10:10 PM

MW

“ *Marcy And Mark Wayman lit a candle in memory of Mr. Reddis "Cowboy" Riddle*



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**Marcy and Mark Wayman** - December 29, 2013 at 02:59 PM

JC

“ *Jim And Christine Chaffins lit a candle in memory of Mr. Reddis "Cowboy" Riddle*



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**Jim and Christine Chaffins** - December 29, 2013 at 10:54 AM

JW

“ *Jim And Victoria Waldron lit a candle in memory of Mr. Reddis "Cowboy" Riddle*



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**Jim and Victoria Waldron** - December 29, 2013 at 07:22 AM