



## Ricky Kellen

October 29, 1948 - July 19, 2025

Ricky Kellen, age 76, of Henderson, KY, passed away on Saturday, July 19, 2025, at the Lucy Smith King Care Center under the care of St. Anthony's Hospice.

Ricky was well known and well-loved figure in the Henderson Community and in the equestrian world. It filled him with joy to share his love and skills with younger generations. Ricky was extremely generous, and many benefited from scholarships or sponsorships from his ranch. He was a devoted Christian man who loved his sons and grandchildren. His time with his family brought him the greatest joy.

Ricky was preceded in death by his parents Prentice Kellen and Helen Kellen Pruitt.

Ricky is survived by his sons Tory Kellen and his wife Courtney and their children Eli and Conor of Cincinnati and Tyler Kellen and his daughter Anna May of Henderson, KY; brother Tracy Pruitt and his wife Sherry of North Carolina; aunt Patsy Bentley Dalgleish of California; as well as cousins.

Relatives and friends are invited to Ricky's Life Celebration from 4:00 until 8:00 p.m. on Monday and from 9:00 a.m. until the service time on Tuesday at Benton-Glunt & Tapp Funeral Home in Henderson, KY. The memorial service

will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, July 29, 2025, at the funeral home with Reverend Kevin Stone officiating.

Arrangements entrusted to Benton-Glunt & Tapp Funeral Home, A Life Celebration® Home. Please visit [www.bentongluntandtappfuneralhome.com](http://www.bentongluntandtappfuneralhome.com) to share memories and words of comfort with Ricky's family.

# Previous Events

## Life Celebration

JUL 28. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Benton-Glunt & Tapp Funeral Home  
629 S. Green St.  
Henderson, KY 42420  
(270) 827-3535  
email@bentonglunttapp.com  
<https://www.bentongluntandtappfuneralhome.com/>

## Life Celebration

JUL 29. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

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## Memorial Service

JUL 29. 11:00 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Benton-Glunt & Tapp Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Ricky Kellen*



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**Benton-Glunt Funeral Home** - July 30, 2025 at 02:49 PM

AP

*He always wanted to be a cowboy! 🤠*

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**Aunt Patsy** - August 02, 2025 at 11:48 AM

AP

*Thanks for the memories!  
Rest in Peace my wonderful cowboy.*

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**Aunt Patsy** - August 02, 2025 at 11:59 AM

JM

“ *He was a wonderful teacher and friend. He taught me to ride in my late 40's and he made it fun. I learned a lot from this cowboy. It was the cheapest mental health treatment, spending the day riding once a week out at Rick's barn and land. Rest in peace my dear friend.*

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**Jill Mohn** - September 30, 2025 at 12:32 AM

SL

“ We recently learned of Rick’s passing and wish to send our condolences to the family. Rick was a great friend and wonderful horse trainer. We enjoyed going on several trail rides with him in the hills of the Shawnee National Forest and relaxing around the campfire. He taught all of us how to remain calm in the saddle, especially when going through water or over rugged terrain. We really enjoyed our time together and learned a lot from him. He will truly be missed.

Love always,

Tim, Stephanie, Lauren & Lindsey Luker

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**Stephanie Luker** - July 30, 2025 at 04:08 PM



“ 10 files added to the album Life Tributes



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**Benton-Glunt Funeral Home** - July 28, 2025 at 01:21 PM

JW

“ Jennifer Winstead lit a candle in memory of Ricky Kellen



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**Jennifer Winstead** - July 28, 2025 at 12:00 PM

JW

*R.I.P. My Friend*

Jennifer Winstead - July 28, 2025 at 12:01 PM

JW

*Thoughts And Prayers Going Out To The Family*

Jennifer Winstead - July 28, 2025 at 12:03 PM



“ 72 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Benton-Glunt Funeral Home - July 28, 2025 at 10:34 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket* was purchased for the family of Ricky Kellen.



July 24, 2025 at 03:46 PM

KK

“*Karie, Edie, & Chris Kempf purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Ricky Kellen.*”



Karie, Edie, & Chris Kempf - July 23, 2025 at 07:56 AM

KK

“*Karie, Edie, & Chris Kempf planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ricky Kellen.*”

Karie, Edie, & Chris Kempf - July 23, 2025 at 07:56 AM



“*Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ricky Kellen.*”



July 23, 2025 at 07:49 AM



“*A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Ricky Kellen.*”

July 23, 2025 at 07:49 AM

DR

“*Dustin Rutledge purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Ricky Kellen.*”



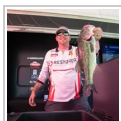
Dustin Rutledge - July 22, 2025 at 08:32 PM

DR

“ Rick was a father figure to myself and a bunch of other young men that probably needed some direction in life. He provided that direction, work ethic, and sense of accountability. Working the ranch and traveling to different rodeo events with Rick and Tyler will forever be some of the best times of my life. I'll never forget you Rick!

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**Dustin Rutledge** - July 22, 2025 at 08:28 PM



Echo this completely! I tell everyone I wouldn't be the man I am if it weren't for Ricky D! My work ethic and moral compass is attribute to his mentorship in tje most crucial stage of my adolescence. Love you always Rick! See you on the other side brother!!

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**Josh Whitehead** - July 22, 2025 at 09:19 PM

KD

“ You wont know how much your appreciated. #ride4everRick

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**Kimberly M. Dunn** - July 22, 2025 at 04:52 PM