



Mr. John David Hicks

June 17, 1945 - May 30, 2026

John David Hicks, 80, of Pilot Point, Texas, passed away on May 30, 2026.

Born on June 17, 1945, in Little Rock, Arkansas, to William Harold Hicks and Catherine Maurine Hicks, John was a lifelong learner dedicated to the care and service of others. He graduated from Hall High School in Little Rock in 1963 and went on to attend Baylor University, graduating in 1967 with a Bachelor of Arts in English. His experience at Baylor shaped much of his life and blessed him with a large circle of lifelong friends.

Committed to helping others, John earned a Masters of Social Work from the University of Arkansas in 1970 and a Masters of Health Care Administration from Washington University in 1974. He also served his country in the Army National Guard of Arkansas during this time.

With his educational foundation, John built a long and distinguished career as a hospital administrator, leading and improving healthcare facilities across the country, including hospitals in Dallas, Texas; Topeka, Kansas; Phoenix, Arizona; and Amarillo, Texas. Following his retirement, John chose to settle near family and grandchildren in Pilot Point, Texas, a place that perfectly suited his deep passion for working with horses and enjoying the equestrian community.

John was a proud and enthusiastic Baylor Bear, supporting Baylor sports, especially the football and women's basketball teams. Above all else, he was a devoted family man. He shared 55 beautiful years of marriage with his beloved wife, Nancy Hicks, building a lifetime of memories together. He possessed a deep faith, spending countless peaceful hours reading and studying God's Word. John also had a profound appreciation for nature; he loved boating, working with horses, and planting oak trees, leaving behind a living legacy that will grow for generations to come.

John was happiest when surrounded by the people he loved, and nothing brought him more joy than taking family and friends out on the water. Boating was his true passion, creating a backdrop for countless days filled with laughter, storytelling, and deep connection.

He is survived by his loving wife, Nancy Hicks; his children, Alisa Buchanan and husband Coby, Logan Hicks and wife Jennifer , and Leanna Ford and husband Casey; his seven cherished grandchildren, Will Buchanan, John Buchanan, Grant Hicks, Luke Hicks, Jace Ford, Elaina Ford, and Avery Ford; and his brothers, Joe Hicks and Bill Hicks.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Harold and Maurine Hicks, and his sister, Catherine Lee.

A memorial service celebrating John's life, faith, and legacy will be held on Saturday, June 13 at 10 a.m. at Midway Church located at 9540 US-377, Pilot Point, TX, with a reception to follow.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorial donations be made to Midway Church - Missions.

Online condolences may be shared at www.slaymemorialfuneralhome.com

Arrangements are under the direction of Devon Calverley and Slay Memorial Funeral Center.

Upcoming Events

Memorial Service

JUN 13. 10:00 AM (CT)

Midway Church

9540 US-377

Pilot Point, TX 76258