



## Randy Palmer

July 19, 1971 - October 2, 2016

Madison, MS - John Randall "Randy" Palmer, 45, passed away on Sunday, October 2, 2016, at his residence. Born on July 19, 1971, in Amory, he was the son of J. Steven "Steve" Palmer and Sharon O. Palmer.

Randy was a graduate of Amory High School, Class of 1989, where he was a star athlete. Before graduation, he signed with Itawamba Community College to play baseball. While at ICC, Randy was named Most Valuable Player and received numerous other awards. He played baseball at the University of North Alabama before transferring to Delta State University. Having great success at DSU, Randy was named the Most Valuable Player for being their leading hitter and having the most RBI. Drafted by the Minnesota Twins after college, he played baseball in their Minor League organization.

In 1995, following his baseball playing career, Randy began his baseball coaching career at Oak Hill Academy. Accepting the coaching job at Madison-Ridgeland Academy, he coached from 2001-2005. Passionate about coaching and children, Coach Palmer had the God-given ability to connect with his players and motivate them to do great things, not only in baseball but in life. Many times he was heard saying, "I'm in the kid business." Randy enjoyed investing in children and instilling in them a great respect for the game. One who believed in giving back, his true love was coaching baseball, and he took great pleasure in working one-on-one with players in all facets of the game.

Leaving the baseball diamond for a career change, Randy became a Pharmaceutical Sales rep for AstraZeneca yet still found time to return to the game he loved by serving as an assistant baseball coach with Madison-Ridgeland High School. He was currently working with Peco Foods in Jackson.

A gentleman of strong, Christian faith, Randy was a member of Broadmoor Baptist Church, Madison. One who had a big heart, he was a friend to anyone he met. A family man, Randy loved his children, enjoyed working with his son in baseball and his daughter in soccer, cheering them on in competition, and sharing his love of deer hunting with them.

Randy's lively spirit, quick wit, and contagious smile will always be treasured as his legacy lives on through his family and the many lives he touched as a coach.

Randy is survived by his wife, LaNelle Palmer, daughter, Cara Dale Palmer, and son, Easton Palmer of Madison; father, Steve Palmer; mother, Sharon Palmer; and sisters, Kellie Wouldridge (Gary) and Molly Palmer of Amory; nieces, Shayne Hall (Vince), Layne Faulkner and Lauren Rooks; great nieces, Karsyn Easter and Cami Fullerton; great-nephew, Channing Voyles.

Randy was preceded in death by his grandparents, John & Evon Palmer; Letha Stroud; and Grady Owens.

His Funeral Service will be at 10 AM, Friday, October 7 at E. E. Pickle Funeral Home, Amory, with Pastor Neal Avery officiating. Burial will follow in Haughton Memorial Park. Pallbearers will be Dale Honeycutt, Tommy Roberts, Craig Monaghan, Keith Thompson, Rodney Griffin and Shay Cooper. Honorary pallbearers will be Gary Wouldridge, Vince Hall, David Carroll, and Chris Voyles.

Visitation will be from 5 - 8 PM, Thursday, at the funeral home.

Memorials may be given to East Coast Baseball, 200 Park Creek Dr., Columbus, MS 39705 or M.F.C. Rush, ATTN: Tammy Zummallen, 222 Quail Hollow, Canton, MS 39046.

Memories and condolences may be shared with his family at [EEPickleFuneralHome.com](http://EEPickleFuneralHome.com).

# Cemetery

Haughton Memorial  
Park  
A Avenue  
Amory, MS, 38821

# Events

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Visitation

05:00PM - 07:00PM

Broadmoor Baptist Church  
1531 Highland Colony Pkwy, Madison, MS, US, 39110
- OCT

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Service

10:00AM

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Visitation

05:00PM - 08:00PM

E.E. Pickle Funeral Home, Amory  
500 3rd Avenue South P.O. Box 127, Amory, MS, US, 38821
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Service

10:00AM

E.E. Pickle Funeral Home, Amory  
500 3rd Avenue South P.O. Box 127, Amory, MS, US, 38821

# Comments

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“ Red Poinsettia (Silk Cemetery Flowers) was purchased for the family of Randy Palmer.



November 09, 2016 at 12:35 PM

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“ Debbie Gibbs lit a candle in memory of Randy Palmer



**Debbie Gibbs** - October 07, 2016 at 11:31 AM

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“ Wanda Ford-chrestman lit a candle in memory of Randy Palmer



**wanda ford-chrestman** - October 07, 2016 at 01:59 AM



“ Sending thoughts and prayers to Randy's family, Sharon, Steve, Molly, Kellie - God bless you. We love you all!  
Debbie, David, Suzy, Beth, Brooks and Julianne Wright

**Debbie Wright** - October 06, 2016 at 07:57 PM

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“ Randy was a great guy and talented athlete. Praying for his family. -Tim and Kim (Tate) Roesink

**kim roesink** - October 06, 2016 at 04:48 PM

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“ Jason & Tina Miller, Richard Walls, Tracy & Mary purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Randy Palmer.



**Jason & Tina Miller, Richard Walls, Tracy & Mary** - October 06, 2016 at 12:16 PM

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“ ONE OF THE BEST MEN I HAVE EVER HAD THE PLEASURE OF BEING AROUND IN MY LIFE, He taught me EVERYTHING about Baseball and Life! You were always someone I looked up to and admired and can't explain here just how much you were loved and will be missed by my family and I and THOUSANDS of others across this world! I love you bro and miss you man

**Corey Gill** - October 06, 2016 at 09:57 AM

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“ Jackson 96ers Baseball Club purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Randy Palmer.





“ You will be truly missed



Peco Foods. Canton - October 05, 2016 at 02:41 PM

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“ Randy was one of a kind. Big heart and always that great smile. He just had a way of making everyone feel welcomed and valued. My thoughts and prayers are with all the family. He will be missed.



Lee Durrett - October 05, 2016 at 12:31 PM

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“ Pretty Please was purchased for the family of Randy Palmer.



October 05, 2016 at 12:01 PM

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“ Jacqueline Young lit a candle in memory of Randy Palmer



Jacqueline Young - October 05, 2016 at 09:13 AM



“ Miss Sharon, Steve, Kelly, Molly, and the rest of the family. This is Jackie Evans Young. I am praying for ya'll and I am so sorry for your loss. May God wrap his loving arms around you all and keep you and comfort you as He only can during this difficult time, I love ya'll

Jacqueline - October 05, 2016 at 09:16 AM



“ Steve, this is Carol Rue Williams,,,so sorry to hear about Randy. We live in Virginia now and can't attend the service.. Our prayers are with you and your family..

Carol Rue Williams - October 05, 2016 at 08:37 AM



“ Vickie Brunetti lit a candle in memory of Randy Palmer



Vickie Brunetti - October 04, 2016 at 11:19 PM



“ Vickie Brunetti lit a candle in memory of Randy Palmer



Vickie Brunetti - October 04, 2016 at 11:17 PM



“ Mary Lee Hodges Moore lit a candle in memory of Randy Palmer



**Mary Lee Hodges Moore** - October 04, 2016 at 10:09 PM

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“ Gloria Justice lit a candle in memory of Randy Palmer



**Gloria justice** - October 04, 2016 at 09:34 PM

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“ Marsha Monaghan Ballard lit a candle in memory of Randy Palmer



**Marsha Monaghan Ballard** - October 04, 2016 at 09:34 PM



“ I met Randy when he was coaching at Oak Hill. He became my good friend.  
I thought he was a fine young man.  
He had precious babies at that time. I send my thoughts and prayers to Steve, Sharon, and the family.  
I am so sad fo the loss of your loved one, and you will be in my thoughts and prayers, with love.

**Marsha Monaghan Ballard** - October 04, 2016 at 09:39 PM

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“ Alison Langston lit a candle in memory of Randy Palmer



**Alison Langston** - October 04, 2016 at 09:05 PM

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“ Bettie Wiygul Johnson lit a candle in memory of Randy Palmer



**Bettie Wiygul Johnson** - October 04, 2016 at 09:03 PM



“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you, Steve and Family!

Bill and Bettie (Wiygul) Johnson

**Bill and Bettie Johnson, Tampa, FL** - October 04, 2016 at 09:05 PM

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“ Best catcher I ever coached. Loved this guy. Roy and Brenda Cresap

**Roy Cresap** - October 04, 2016 at 07:20 PM

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“ O my childhood friend! You were truly one of a kind. Definitely first class! It's not goodbye, but see you later.

Brooke Callihan Jernigan





“ Patsy Taylor sent a virtual gift in memory of Randy Palmer



Patsy Taylor - October 04, 2016 at 06:23 PM

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“ Mike & Caroline Brasfield lit a candle in memory of Randy Palmer



Mike & Caroline Brasfield - October 04, 2016 at 04:39 PM

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“ My condolences to your family.



Michelle Jernigan - October 04, 2016 at 03:45 PM

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“ Beverly Sanderson lit a candle in memory of Randy Palmer





“ MARY HILLIARD lit a candle in memory of Randy Palmer



MARY HILLIARD - October 04, 2016 at 03:01 PM

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“ THE BEST BROTHER A SISTER COULD ASK FOR!! GOD BLESSED ME AND I AM THANKFUL FOR THAT. IM GONNA MISS THE RANDOM TEXTS SAYING "Love you Sissy." I can not express the emptiness in my spirit. I dont know how I'm gonna go on without you, but I'm sure you will help me find a way. We both know Jesus, so therefore, I'll be excited to see you again soon! I know you are already in your "FIELD OF DREAMS." Fly high and play hard brother. Sissy will be there soon so save me a seat. I LOVE YOU TO HEAVEN AND BACK!



Kellie Wouldridge - October 04, 2016 at 02:53 PM



“ Your in my prayers

Mark - October 05, 2016 at 02:03 AM

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“ You are a one in a million kind of guy and there will never be anyone who compares to you...Your smile is a smile no one could ever forget! You will be truly missed but never forgotten...My heart goes out to your sisters and family...



**Lisa Tubb** - October 04, 2016 at 02:13 PM

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“ Alma Foote lit a candle in memory of Randy Palmer



**Alma Foote** - October 04, 2016 at 12:47 PM

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“ Melanie Cowley Lafayette lit a candle in memory of Randy Palmer



**Melanie Cowley Lafayette** - October 04, 2016 at 12:12 PM

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“ Tony lit a candle in memory of Randy Palmer



Tony - October 04, 2016 at 10:57 AM

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“ Lost a great Tupelo 49er! Coach EZELL

Allan Ezell - October 04, 2016 at 09:22 AM

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“ Gilda H. Tubbs lit a candle in memory of Randy Palmer



Gilda H. Tubbs - October 04, 2016 at 08:51 AM

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“ Mike Baughman lit a candle in memory of Randy Palmer



Mike Baughman - October 04, 2016 at 08:27 AM

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“ Tracee Brown lit a candle in memory of Randy Palmer



Tracee Brown - October 04, 2016 at 01:03 AM

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“ Tim Howell lit a candle in memory of Randy Palmer



Tim Howell - October 03, 2016 at 11:00 PM

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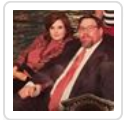


“ Love and hugs to all of you my sweet friend. Randy was an awesome young man with the sweetest smile ever!!



Teresa Doss - October 03, 2016 at 10:35 PM

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“ At our ten year high school reunion (year 1999) I remember Randy (this wonderful manly man) being smitten with his tiny new baby. He spoke with excitement about coaching, but that little baby and family were what mattered most to him I have never forgotten that happy time.

Mary Walton - October 03, 2016 at 10:20 PM

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“ Bubba and I are so very sorry to hear about Randy's death. Prayers that God will grant you peace during this trying time.  
Emily & Bubba Morris's

Emily Morris - October 03, 2016 at 09:04 PM

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“ So very sorry for your loss! Praying for peace and comfort for all of the family.

Carolyn Horne - October 03, 2016 at 08:44 PM

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“ Steve and Sharon my prayers are with you.  
Love you both.  
Jerri Crosswhite Brock



**Jerri Brock** - October 03, 2016 at 07:43 PM

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“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Randy Palmer.



October 03, 2016 at 07:21 PM

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“ Me and my son David were with Randy at Bodka Valley hunting club in Scooba when he killed his 1st deer at a young age. His family will be in our prayers. JIMMY TURMAN

**Janet Turman** - October 03, 2016 at 07:07 PM

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“ Tim And Karen Bridges lit a candle in memory of Randy Palmer



**Tim and Karen Bridges** - October 03, 2016 at 06:48 PM

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“ So sorry for your loss..I always thought so much of Randy. He was always there to help if anyone ever needed them and had a great big smile to offer too. He was a good guy and a great friend.



Allison Sledge - October 03, 2016 at 06:34 PM

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“ Allison Sledge lit a candle in memory of Randy Palmer



Allison Sledge - October 03, 2016 at 06:16 PM

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“ Allison Sledge lit a candle in memory of Randy Palmer



Allison Sledge - October 03, 2016 at 06:14 PM

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“ Natalie Tubb Marshall lit a candle in memory of Randy Palmer







“ A players coach! Thanks for your guidance & kindness to Zach coach.

Paul Warren - October 03, 2016 at 03:16 PM

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“ Players coach! Thanks for you kindness & helping Z!

Paul Warren - October 03, 2016 at 03:12 PM

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“ Although it's difficult today to see beyond the sorrow, may looking back on memories help comfort your tomorrows. Hugs and prayers for the family.



Kimberly Walters - October 03, 2016 at 02:55 PM

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“ Tony White lit a candle in memory of Randy Palmer



Tony White - October 03, 2016 at 02:52 PM

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“ Brent Warren sent a virtual gift in memory of Randy Palmer



**Brent Warren** - October 03, 2016 at 02:16 PM

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“ Brent Warren lit a candle in memory of Randy Palmer



**Brent Warren** - October 03, 2016 at 02:15 PM

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“ Leslie White Smaglick lit a candle in memory of Randy Palmer



**Leslie White Smaglick** - October 03, 2016 at 02:01 PM

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“ Tiffany Comer lit a candle in memory of Randy Palmer



**Tiffany comer** - October 03, 2016 at 01:25 PM



“ Kathy Schaefer Lott lit a candle in memory of Randy Palmer



**Kathy Schaefer Lott** - October 03, 2016 at 12:56 PM

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“ Growing up I always admired randy. We rode atv's together often. Truly a wonderful person who will be missed by many. My heart goes out to his family.



**Mark Grimes** - October 03, 2016 at 12:52 PM

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“ Jennifer Turner Langford lit a candle in memory of Randy Palmer



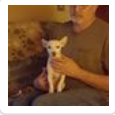
**Jennifer Turner Langford** - October 03, 2016 at 12:38 PM

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“ Jennifer Gray lit a candle in memory of Randy Palmer





“ Molly I am so sorry about your brother will be keeping you in my prayers!



**Lesla Holcomb** - October 03, 2016 at 11:58 AM

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“ Charles Moreland lit a candle in memory of Randy Palmer



**Charles Moreland** - October 03, 2016 at 11:29 AM

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“ Frances Wright lit a candle in memory of Randy Palmer



**Frances Wright** - October 03, 2016 at 10:38 AM

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“ So very sorry for your loss. I had Coach Palmer in the 7th grade at Oak Hill Academy. He was a great teacher. Praying for all of you during this difficult time.

Maggie Chism (White)

**Maggie Chism** - October 03, 2016 at 09:41 AM

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“ LeeAnn Parham Mordecai lit a candle in memory of Randy Palmer



**LeeAnn Parham Mordecai** - October 03, 2016 at 09:29 AM

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“ So sorry! My thoughts and prayers are with you all. May God comfort you and give you peace.



**Sandra Carpenter** - October 03, 2016 at 09:27 AM

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“ So sorry! My thoughts and prayers are with you all. May God comfort you and give you peace.



**Sandra Carpenter** - October 03, 2016 at 09:26 AM

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“ Rodney Batts lit a candle in memory of Randy Palmer



**Rodney Batts** - October 03, 2016 at 09:19 AM

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“ Heath Betts lit a candle in memory of Randy Palmer



**Heath Betts** - October 03, 2016 at 08:50 AM

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“ Jane Lewis Maxey lit a candle in memory of Randy Palmer



**Jane Lewis Maxey** - October 03, 2016 at 08:20 AM

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“ Elmer & Beverly Hamilton lit a candle in memory of Randy Palmer



**Elmer & Beverly Hamilton** - October 03, 2016 at 08:04 AM

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“ Caryn Bivens lit a candle in memory of Randy Palmer



Caryn Bivens - October 03, 2016 at 07:36 AM

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“ Candi Foster Forman lit a candle in memory of Randy Palmer



Candi foster Forman - October 03, 2016 at 06:11 AM

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“ Preston and I are so sorry to learn of Randy's death. Though unexpected, we can be certain that the Lord makes no mistakes. We may not understand his reasoning, but we must pray to understand his perfect will. Praying the Lord strengthens the family and provide comfort during this very difficult time.



Missionary Tracy L. Hadley - October 03, 2016 at 05:37 AM

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“ Trish Parker lit a candle in memory of Randy Palmer



**Trish Parker** - October 03, 2016 at 05:35 AM

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“ Rebecca Dill lit a candle in memory of Randy Palmer



**rebecca dill** - October 03, 2016 at 05:18 AM

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“ Julie Benson lit a candle in memory of Randy Palmer



**Julie Benson** - October 03, 2016 at 03:42 AM

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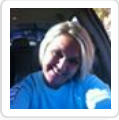


“ Wendy Summers lit a candle in memory of Randy Palmer



**Wendy Summers** - October 02, 2016 at 10:01 PM





“ Heather Tubb lit a candle in memory of Randy Palmer



**Heather Tubb** - October 02, 2016 at 08:33 PM



“ Randy was my hero. He made sure I didn't walk alone at prom senior walk. He always had a hug and a smile for me. But my favorite memory is him eating cereal out of these great big bowls. I can see his face now. Smiling. You gave more than you got my friend.

**Tracy Brookman** - October 02, 2016 at 10:08 PM



“ When Randy was a young Baseball Coach in West Point a female teacher came up to him in the cafeteria and said young man take that hat off in here. He said Mam I am the New Baseball Coach. RIP in my brother.

**Butch PALmer** - October 02, 2016 at 08:21 PM



“ Amazing coach and friend! He will be missed!



**Charles Alan Brown** - October 02, 2016 at 08:15 PM



“ Marilyn Reed And Brian Reed lit a candle in memory of Randy Palmer





“ Tammie Edwards lit a candle in memory of Randy Palmer



tammie edwards - October 02, 2016 at 05:38 PM

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“ Pat lit a candle in memory of Randy Palmer



Pat - October 02, 2016 at 05:24 PM