



## Philip Hicky II

March 27, 1942 - February 2, 2026

Philip Hicky II, of Forrest City, Arkansas, passed away peacefully on Monday, February 2, at the age of 83. A lifelong Arkansan, Phil was born on March 27, 1942, to DuPuy and Jimmy Hicky. He spent his entire life rooted in the community he loved, devoted to his family, and living at his lifelong home, Fleurland, where his enduring love of land, farming, and tradition shaped him. He was a direct descendant of Colonel Philip Hicky (1778–1859), a War of 1812 veteran, early Louisiana senator, and designer of the historic 18-star, 18-striped flag now housed in the Louisiana State Museum.

Phil graduated from Forrest City High School, where he was an impactful leader and athlete. He was a member of the legendary undefeated 1959 football team, made it to the State Championship finals in basketball, and lettered in track. These accomplishments earned him induction into the Forrest City Athletic Hall of Fame in 2018.

Phil attended the University of the South in Sewanee, Tennessee, and later served as a member of its Board of Trustees. He graduated from the University of Arkansas School of Law and was admitted to the Arkansas Bar in 1966. A 50-year member of the American Bar Association, he remained deeply engaged in the legal profession throughout his life. His service included many years on the Arkansas Supreme Court Committee on Rules of Civil Procedure and leadership within the St. Francis County Bar.

Practicing law for more than half a century, Phil began his career with E.J. Butler and later through various partnerships culminating in Phil Hicky Ltd. His practice focused on civil litigation, business transactions, agricultural law, probate, and estate planning. He represented individuals, families, local businesses, and major national companies with integrity, diligence, and sound judgment. Known for his thoughtful counsel, and unwavering commitment to doing what was right, Phil, affectionately known as “Lawyer” by his closest friends, was deeply respected by colleagues and clients alike.

As a faithful member of the Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd, Phil served in numerous roles, including vestry member, Junior and Senior Warden, secretary, and treasurer. His faith quietly guided his life and shaped the way he treated others with humility, generosity, and kindness.

Farming was Phil’s true passion. He was part of a multigenerational family legacy in agriculture, shaped by decades of farming and the cottonseed milling business. For Phil, it began in the peach orchards at Fleurland, where his love of the land continued through a lifetime of stewardship across multiple farming operations in East Arkansas. An avid outdoorsman and devoted duck hunter, Phil found as much joy in the preparation as in the hunt itself designing and building state-of-the-art duck blinds, preparing fields and levees, organizing decoys, and readying the land long before the actual hunt began. He cherished both the work and the camaraderie that came with time spent in the field alongside family and friends.

Above all, Phil’s greatest devotion was to his family. A caring husband, wonderful father, and cherished grandfather, he is survived by his beloved wife of nearly 60 years, LuLynne Hicky; his son, Philip Hicky III, and wife, Wendy; his daughter, Lindsey Huttenbauer, and husband, Sam; and four grandchildren, who knew him as Big Phil and were a great source of joy and

pride: Brenner Hicky, Porter Hicky, Samuel Huttenbauer IV, and Annabelle Huttenbauer. He is also survived by his sister, Maryanne Macdonald and her husband Don. He was preceded in death by his parents and by his sister, Martha Fogelman and her husband, Bobby.

Phil will be remembered for his dry wit, masterful storytelling, steady presence, thoughtful guidance, and deep commitment to his family, church, and community. He leaves behind a legacy of service, integrity, and compassion that will endure through the many lives he touched.

Funeral services will be held on Thursday, February 12, at 2pm, at the Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd in Forrest City. A reception will follow. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd at 400 Hill Street, Forrest City, AR 72335, or to Mount Vernon Cemetery, P.O. Box 411, Forrest City, AR 72336. Visit online registry at [stevensfuneralhome.net](http://stevensfuneralhome.net).

# Previous Events

## Funeral Service

FEB 12. 2:00 PM (CT)

Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd  
400 Hill Street  
Forrest City, AR 72335

# Tribute Wall

DG

“ *Davud Grigsby lit a candle in memory of Philip Hicky*



Davud Grigsby - February 20 at 05:35 AM



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Philip Hicky II.*



February 11 at 12:39 PM

HF

“ *Hinken/Mader/Wessels/Bachelier Families planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Philip Hicky II.*

Hinken/Mader/Wessels/Bachelier Families - February 11 at 12:39 PM

LH

“ *Lovie A Hardrick sent a virtual gift in memory of Philip Hicky*



Lovie A Hardrick - February 10 at 11:46 AM



“ Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Philip Hicky II.



February 10 at 10:05 AM



“ Lindsey Management Company planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Philip Hicky II.

**Lindsey Management Company** - February 10 at 10:05 AM



“ A good man. I used to mow his yard in the 70's. God Bless his family. Mark Whitehead

**Mark Whitehead** - February 10 at 08:15 AM



“ My deepest sympathy to the family. An amazing man and awesome lawyer. Always a kind word, attentive ear to listen and supporting

**Carolyn Burdett** - February 09 at 07:48 PM



“ Hardin Point Hunting Club purchased the Basket of Memories for the family of Philip Hicky II.



**Hardin Point Hunting Club** - February 09 at 05:18 PM



“ *Hardin Point Hunting Club planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Philip Hicky II.*

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**Hardin Point Hunting Club** - February 09 at 05:18 PM

LH

“ Luylnne,

*JK and I are shattered by loss of your beloved husband. We pray that the good Lord will bless and sustain you.*

*With our love for you and Phil,*

*JK and Lacy*

*Memories of Phil*

*Sixty-six years is a long time to know someone, but when that man was Phil Hickey, it was simply far too short. The obituary posted by Stevens Funeral Home fully captures the dignity and outstanding accomplishments of his highly distinguished life. But there was an intangible quality that no one can express. He was a dedicated friend to many who will so very deeply miss his steady guidance, cheerfulness, and sheer pleasure of his company. Phil had a strategic view of how the world works, an intellectual framework that very few possess.*

*Phil was a Trustee of the University of the South at Sewanee and an outstanding lawyer. Sewanee, which was all men when he attended, strived to mold the ‘Sewanee Man’—and Phil embodied that ideal perfectly. He carried himself with grace and integrity, combined intellectual rigor with genuine warmth, and devoted himself to service and leadership throughout his life. The values Sewanee instilled in him—honor, scholarship, and commitment to community—were evident in everything he did.*

*Phil and LuLynne, his beloved wife of almost six decades, were the perfect couple, and just as much pleasure whether they were at their home, the Arkansas Derby, the canyons of New York City, or on Watercolor beach in Florida.*

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**Lacy Hunt** - February 09 at 05:15 PM

TJ

“ *The Branch Family! Marge, Job, & John purchased the Enduring Grace for the family of Philip Hicky II.*



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**The Branch Family! Marge, Job, & John** - February 09 at 04:49 PM

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