



Leon R Gadberry Jr

December 24, 1940 - June 6, 2026

Mr. Leon R. Gadberry Jr., age 85, of Forrest City, Arkansas, died on Saturday, June 6, 2026, at the St. Bernard Hospital in Jonesboro.

Mr. Gadberry was born on December 24, 1940, in Forrest City. He was the son of Leon R. Gadberry Sr. and Fannie D. Hartman Gadberry. Mr. Gadberry worked as a sales agent and purchasing agent for several industries in and around Forrest City, working in five counties throughout his career and made friends wherever he went. Although he was well known for his work, he was happiest on his farm, where he felt most at home. He was rarely seen without his cowboy hat and boots and always carried a rope can, just as a true cowboy would. Leon loved a good rodeo and even studied rodeo in college, carrying that passion with him throughout his life. One of his greatest joys was teaching his grandsons how to ride horses and passing along the values and traditions he cherished most. He was a member of the Saint Francis of Assisi Catholic Church and had served in the National Guard for many years.

Mr. Gadberry married Martha Weaver Pigue in 1988. She survives him, along with a stepson, Kenny Pigue, and Robin. He is also survived by 3 step-grandchildren, Dillion Pigue, Dru Pigue and Chelsea Blake and 1 step-great grandchild Colt Kelly Pigue, and relatives, Shelia Hartman Adcock, Kathy Hartman Rose, Brenda Hartman Hollowell and Brett Hartman. He was preceded in death by his son Sam Gadberry.

There will be a Rosary service held on Wednesday, June 17, 2026, at 11:00 a.m. at Stevens Funeral Home chapel with a memorial service to follow. There will be a visitation at 10:00 a.m. before the Rosary service. Visit online registry at stevensfuneralhome.net.

Upcoming Events

Visitation

JUN 17. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

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Rosary

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Memorial Service

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