



# R. E. Josey

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## **R. E. Josey**

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**T**he legendary R.E. Josey passed away Thursday February 24th at the age of 91.

He is survived by his wife of 56 years, Martha Arthur Josey.

“It is with a heavy heart that we here at the Josey Ranch must share the news that our hero, founder, mentor and beloved family member, R.E. Josey, has been called home to our Lord and Savior, our hearts are warmed by the outpouring of love and support we are receiving from all over the world.”

Born to Walter C. Josey and Addie Young Josey on October 8, 1930 in Garza County near Post, Texas, R.E. had six siblings, three of whom preceded him in death: Elsie Josey Wright, Lester Josey and Roy Josey. Also preceding him in death were his son, Randy Josey, granddaughter, Heather Dickson Hoffner, and brother-in-law Bobby Arthur.

Surviving siblings are Joyce Josey Tatum and husband, Don, Loyce Josey Phillips and husband, Charles, and Royce Josey. He is also survived by sister-in-law Theona Josey. Surviving children are Jaynie Dickson, Linda Huestis and husband, Terry, and daughter-in-law Patricia Josey. He is also survived by nephews, Gary Arthur and wife, Kristi, Frankie Arthur and wife, Jennifer.

Grandchildren are Jarett Dickson, Justin Hoffner, Robby Huestis, and wife, Ali, Halea Newcomb and husband, Daniel, Torre Josey, Tyler Josey and wife, Alexis, and Trent Josey and wife, Shastin. He is also survived by Kayci Arthur Walker and husband, Rob, Paige Cowley and husband, Cameron, and Hunter Arthur and wife Chasitee. Great Grandchildren are Jaxson and Parker Huestis, Addie and Walker Newcomb. Martha would say he is also survived by thousands of extended “family”, students, instructors, contestants and friends.

R.E., winner of three AQHA Tie-Down Roping World Championships on three different horses in the seventies, had a knack for figuring out how to make both horse and rider a winning team in rodeo's timed events. He was the husband of



## Obituary

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WPRA, AQHA and NBHA World Champion barrel racer Martha Josey and was known, along with his wife, not just for their own rodeo accomplishments, but for the tremendous impact they have had on the sport of rodeo.

R.E. and Martha began conducting barrel racing clinics in 1967 and continue to host the longest running barrel racing and calf roping clinics and schools, having instructed hundreds of thousands of rodeo athletes through the years. In 1981, the couple began hosting the Josey Jr. World Championship Barrel Race, attracting thousands of contestants from around the world and one of the most prestigious youth barrel races in the world. The Josey Ranch Reunion Barrel Race, an opportunity for former students to compete, many of which are now world champions themselves, was started in 1994.

In addition to the induction to the Texas Cowboy Hall of Fame, R.E. Josey was also inducted into the Texas Rodeo Hall of Fame in Fort Worth, Texas and the Ark-La-Tex Sports Museum in Shreveport, Louisiana.




Visitation for R.E. will be Sunday, Feb. 27 at 5:00 pm and the funeral service is scheduled Monday, Feb. 28 at 1:00 pm. Both visitation and service will be held at the Josey Ranch in Marshall, TX.

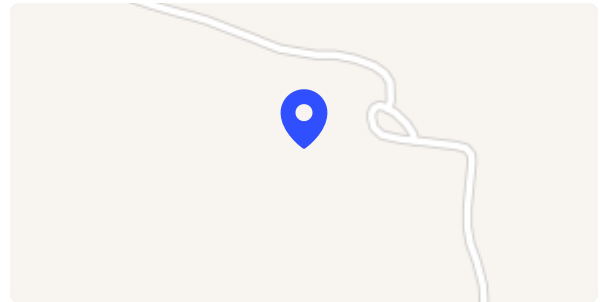
In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the R. E. Josey Scholarship Fund, c/o Josey Ranch, 8623 SH 43N, Karnack, TX 75661.

A memorial guestbook may be signed online at [www.raderfh.com](http://www.raderfh.com).






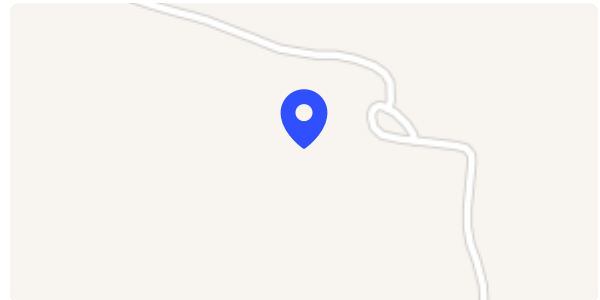
### Visitation

-  **Sunday**, February 27, 2022
-  5:00 PM - 7:00 PM CT
-  **The Josey Ranch**  
8623 State Highway 43 N , Karnack TX 75661



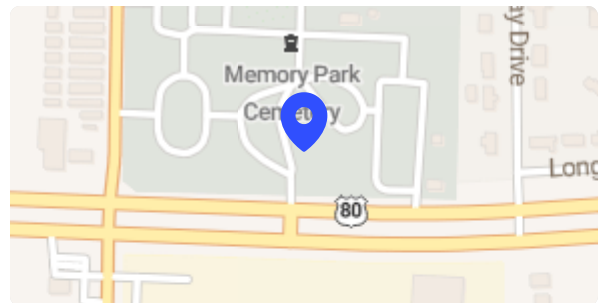
### Funeral Service

-  **Monday**, February 28, 2022
-  1:00 PM CT
-  **The Josey Ranch**  
8623 State Highway 43 N , Karnack TX 75661



### Cemetery Details

-  **Memory Park**  
2823 E. Marshall Ave., Longview TX 75601





# Tribute Wall

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**Rader Funeral Home** shared a **Webcast Video**.

February 28 at 5:34 AM



**Rader Funeral Home** shared an album called **Funeral service**.

February 28 at 1:40 PM



**Anonymous** sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Josey family.

February 28 at 6:02 AM



**Anonymous** sent a Sentiments of Serenity Spray to the Josey family.

February 28 at 5:19 AM



**Anonymous** sent a Peaceful White Lilies Basket to the Josey family.

February 26 at 5:02 PM



**Anonymous** sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Josey family.

February 26 at 3:42 PM





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**Brenda Nash** posted:

RE was a wonderful man, our family Loved him, he was so good to us, he always made us fill like part of his family!! He always wanted me to yodel in cowboy church service, and he and Martha spent a lot of time training our son, Corey Nash barrel racing!We spent about 7 years going back & forth to the "JOSEY RANCH", and we Loved every minute of it!RE will be missed, and I'm praying for all the family, especially you Martha, that God will wrap you in his loving arms, and comfort you in the days ahead!!We Love you my sweet friend! ❤️🙏❤️ Brenda, Carmen, & Corey Nash

February 26 at 2:14 PM



**Brenda Nash** lit a candle in honor of R..



February 26 at 2:03 PM



**Charlotte Ray** posted:

Dear Martha and Family, So sorry for your loss, we are sending Prayers your way. R E was such a caring husband and a Great man. He always found time to talk to everyone and never forgot any students name and remembered you. He always made you feel like you were his best friend. I went to one of the Josey Clinics in The 70's at Cobble's covered arena in Denton, Texas. I learned so much and had so much fun, I still remember it like it was yesterday. When I think about attending that clinic it makes me very happy and smile alot! I hope soon I can make the reunion barrel race at the Josey Ranch that I have always wanted to attend. I will miss RE not being there but his memories will be in my heart and yours! So Martha keep your chin up and be strong I know it is going to be hard but you can do it. Our Deepest Sympathy and Prayers, God Bless You and your family, Love You very much ❤️ Charlotte Ray and Mae Ray

February 26 at 2:01 PM



**Gary Wilkerson** lit a candle in honor of R..



February 25 at 12:17 PM



# Media

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New Video



# Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring R. by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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