



Donald Kirby Rowland

May 26, 1963 - October 22, 2020

Donald Kirby Rowland, age 57, passed away at his home in Cedar Bluff, AL, Thursday October 22, 2020.

He was born in Rome, Georgia, May 26, 1963.

He was preceded in death by his beloved grandparents, Troy and Ann Mobley of Rome, and his father, Winston Howard Rowland.

He is survived by the following: his wife Carolyn Early Rowland, to whom he was married for 25 years; daughters Keiley Rowland and Hannah Rosario of Cedar Bluff, AL; brother Corey Rowland of Rome; his parents, Don and Glenda Keil of Cedar Bluff, AL and Saint George Island, FL; mother and father-in-law, Colleen and Franklin Early of Cedar Bluff; two aunts, Ivis Locke of Macon, GA and Audrey Ward of Sand Rock, AL; uncle Jim Ward of Sand Rock, AL; as well as several nieces and nephews.

Kirby became a Christian at the age of ten when we attended Calvary Baptist Church in Rome, GA.

Kirby graduated from West Rome High School in 1981. He worked for Little River Forestry in Cedar Bluff for a number of years before answering the call to be a minister. He served as the pastor of Fair Haven Baptist Church for several years before becoming a youth director and associate pastor at Pisgah Baptist Church in Rome, GA. Kirby was a student at New Orleans

Theological Baptist Seminary.

Kirby loved music. He enjoyed singing, writing songs, and playing the guitar and mandolin. In his younger years, he played with the band Steele Horse. Kirby loved many people and had many friends. He will be dearly missed.

There will be a private graveside service for family. A memorial service will be scheduled at a later date. Perry Funeral Home in Centre, AL is in charge of the arrangements.

Tribute Wall

TN

“ *Dear Carolyn and Family,
We are extremely broken-hearted to learn of the passing of Kirby.
There is no doubt that he is in the Presence of Jesus in heaven,
praising his Savior all the day long. His concern was to see others
come to know the Lord in an authentic way. We will be praying for
you all.
Blessings,
Tim and Karen Nichols
Rome, GA*

Tim Nichols - October 29, 2020 at 09:16 PM



“ *Carolyn, Keiley, Don and Glenda
Kathy and I are so sorry to hear about Kirby. We remember him as
the bright eyed boy looking at comic books and showing off his
magic tricks to his days with Steel Horse and June Jams to his
growth to be a wonderful husband and father. He was special and
filled with love for friends and most especially his family. All of you
will remain in our prayers
Barry and Kathy Hunter*

Barry Hunter - October 28, 2020 at 09:22 AM

KW

“ *Karen Winters purchased the Dish Garden with Fresh Cut Flowers for the family of Donald Kirby Rowland.*



Karen Winters - October 27, 2020 at 08:22 AM

JY

“ Jean and Misty Youmans purchased the Classic Sympathy Dish Garden for the family of Donald Kirby Rowland.



Jean and Misty Youmans - October 26, 2020 at 03:31 PM

Julie
Coryea

“ Kirby was an inspiration to many of us. We are forever grateful for his support and prayers to our family. He definitely made an impact on my life and I'll forever be grateful to him and for him. Through him many prayers were said for our family. It was our pleasure to know him. My heart breaks for his family I know he loved y'all so very much. Sending you our love , prayers and heartfelt sympathy.



Julie Coryea - October 26, 2020 at 09:15 AM

SG

“ Stan Green sent a virtual gift in memory of Donald Kirby Rowland



Stan Green - October 25, 2020 at 07:31 PM

SG

Fly high Kirby! Your are one of the best!

Stan Green - October 25, 2020 at 07:33 PM



“ *Red & White Sympathy Floor Basket was purchased for the family of Donald Kirby Rowland.*



October 25, 2020 at 01:33 PM



“ *Jean, Ben and I send our deepest sympathy to the Rowland Family. Our prayers are for peace ,comfort, and love during this difficult time.*

Jean and Misty Youmans - October 25, 2020 at 11:15 AM



“ *Many hearts are broken over the loss of Kirby! He was always so full of joy! He had the voice of an angel & used his gift to uplift & warm our hearts whether it was when he was singing in the bars or singing in the church! The good ol' days were the Steelhorse band practices in Rob's basement & eating Daddy Bob's cornbread! In my eyes- becoming Carolyn's husband & Keiley's dad changed him & made him the honorable man of God that he is in death! What an amazing legacy for his family to cherish & remember! I Love you Kirby Rowland for being such an amazing husband, father & friend*

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Angela Kerce - October 24, 2020 at 01:40 PM



“ *My friend Kirby..I will miss you!! Carolyn, Kiley and family..you all are in my thoughts and prayers...Much love during this difficult time..*

Jennifer Paul - October 24, 2020 at 10:37 AM

TF

“ *The Roy Stuart Family purchased the Floor Plant for Sympathy for the family of Donald Kirby Rowland.*



The Roy Stuart Family - October 24, 2020 at 10:02 AM

JR

“ *Praying for your family, we're so sorry for your loss of Kirby. He was a wonderful, loving Christian man. I can just hear him singing and playing with the angel band, and sitting right by Jesus. We love all of you.*



*Jan & Janith Roper
Betty Harris*

Jan Roper - October 23, 2020 at 07:28 PM

DW

God called Kirby home and now he's singing with the angels~~A long time friend and a very talented one who touched many many lives...that's who Kirby was. A wonderful man, husband and father,son and most of all child of God...He will be missed...May God Bless His Family now and Always Divell Welchel

Divell Welchel - November 11, 2020 at 12:44 PM

VK

Praying for Kirby's family. He was a great guy. So sorry for your loss.

Vicki Kelley - November 15, 2020 at 07:31 PM