



## Kevin Ray Criswell

March 1, 1961 - January 28, 2022

Kevin Ray Criswell, age 60 of Centre, passed away Thursday, January 27th at Gadsden Regional Medical Center.

A celebration of life, love, family, and friendships will be held at 7pm Tuesday, February 1st, 2022 with Russ Criswell officiating. The family will receive friends from 5 until 7pm Tuesday evening at the funeral home.

Kevin was survived by his wife, Debbie Criswell; daughter, Madison (Briar) Patterson; step-father, Earl Biggs; brothers, Jeff Biggs and Matt (Jill) Criswell; grandson, Pax Pearson; and several nieces and nephews.

Special friends include Nick Traffanstedt, Matthew Peek, Dillon Hunter, and Walter Ward.

He is preceded in death by his daughter, Kirsten Pearson; and his brother, Kerry Criswell.

Kevin was the son of the late Wilbur Alan Criswell and Barbara Joann Bell. He was born and raised in Rensselaer, Indiana and from there, he served his country in the United States Army. After his service, Kevin shared his love of art with commissioned NASCAR portraits, hand-painted murals, and tattoos done by him at Under Your Skin. He retired in March, 2019 to spend time with

his wife, daughter, and grandson Pax. Kevin was loved by many and will be missed by all of his family and friends.

Perry Funeral Home Directing.

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# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 1. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Perry Funeral Home, Inc.  
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## Memorial Service

FEB 1. 7:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Floor Plant for Sympathy was purchased for the family of Kevin Ray Criswell.* ”



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February 01, 2022 at 01:37 PM

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“ I met Kevin in the early 80's. We had similar interests- fish tanks, motorcycles, fishing and radio control. I was into building and flying planes. He got me into cars that we built and ran together. Also, remember looking at Nasa projects flying over thru my telescope.

As the years past, he left his job in refineries and moved to God's country. And being such an artist, as attached examples, he got to make a living doing something he loved. Tattooing was a natural. Over ten years ago, we took a vacation and spent a week and enjoyed the clear water lakes, not like Houston. The whole family had such a hospitality for welcoming me. Economy made me changed jobs which really made me envy what he had done. No more vacations for me.

Thank goodness for technology because we were still able to stay in touch and even share good and bad times. I never thought that God would have other plans that would change my dreams.

Now I'm ready to retire but bound for a couple more years because of health insurance. I was looking forward to retiring and going to see my friend and going fishing and seeing his drones. Kayak fishing looked like a retired persons' dream. So sad, I hope to see you on the other side my friend.

Here are some drawings of the years we enjoyed Nascar.



Walter Ward - January 31, 2022 at 09:35 PM



“ *European Sympathy Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Kevin Ray Criswell.*



January 31, 2022 at 12:26 PM



“ *Red, White & Blue Standing Wreath was purchased for the family of Kevin Ray Criswell.*



January 31, 2022 at 11:50 AM



“ *Always smiling, Kevin helped me put aside fear and ride a motorized minibike. When he joined the Army, his 1973 Pontiac LeMans became my first car! I surely miss all the great times at the catfish farm, and cruising Rennsalaer, IN! An all around great guy, may he rest in peace.*

**Major(R) Daniel Bell** - January 30, 2022 at 08:57 PM



“ *I'm Sorry For Your Loss My Thoughts And Prayers Are With You And Family. Kevin Will Never Be Forgotten.*



**Cindy Sheffer** - January 30, 2022 at 10:33 AM