



Mr. Jerry Kirkpatrick

May 5, 1942 - January 10, 2024

Gerald Boswell “Jerry” Kirkpatrick, Jr, 81 years of Huron, TN passed peacefully away at home on January 10, 2024, after suffering a massive stroke on December 23, 2023. His loss is completely unexpected, and his family is deeply saddened. Jerry was born on May 5, 1942, to Gerald Boswell & Margaret Latremore Kirkpatrick at Fort Bragg, NC. After graduation from Father Ryan High School, he went on to study at Norte Dame University. Jerry worked in banking before joining the United States Coast Guard and served in Viet Nam in 1968 aboard the Minnetonka as a damage control-man.

After an honorable discharge from his military service, he began working in real estate and became vice president of Fintech, a commercial real estate company in Nashville. After retirement, he remained active driving, and repairing, his tractor and drove a school bus for Henderson County Schools for the past few years. He held a special place in his heart for the kids on his bus route.

Jerry was a devout Catholic and his Christian faith was evident in his daily living, prayer life, the way he treated others, and his heart of forgiveness. Priorities in his life were God first, then family, country, friends, career. He attended weekly mass and was a leader at St Andrew’s the Apostle Catholic Church. He was a 4th degree member of the Knights of Columbus, a Catholic fraternity.

Coaching Little League in the 70's & 80's was a passion, and he regularly took his young kids to Nashville Sounds baseball games. He loved puns & Dad jokes. His children talk about the hayrides every Halloween when they were young, and Jerry continued this tradition with his grandchildren, even hauling his trailer over 100 miles back to Nashville on Halloween after he had moved to West TN. He found excitement in teaching the grandchildren how to drive a tractor. He loved the outdoors and enjoyed hunting and fishing, putting his lifetime sportsman license through TWRA to good use, and especially loved when the grandkids tagged along.

Jerry was an enthusiastic VOL fan, following all UT sports, but was most passionate about Tennessee football. His competitive spirit was always present and could be witnessed when he played racquetball, beach volleyball, board games, poker, and trivia. He never wanted to miss his grandchildren's events from baptisms, graduations, school plays, band concerts, dance recitals, baseball, football, or basketball games, even if it meant driving 100 miles or more to attend.

Jerry lived by the Golden Rule, treated everyone with kindness and respect in all areas of his life. He was a strong man who wasn't afraid to show his emotions, and would often cry during movies, although he would say, "it's getting foggy in here" or "someone must be cutting onions", as he wiped away his tears. He loved big, with a quiet, subtle presence and will be greatly missed by many.

Jerry leaves behind his loving wife of 37 years, Sheila Doyle Box Kirkpatrick; two sons, Andrew Gower (Ann) and Brad Box (Angie); three daughters, Kristin Kirkpatrick Frank (Richard), Katie Kirkpatrick Abramson (Mark Irwin), and Carla Box McCarty (Rob); twelve grandchildren, Isaiah, Gus, and Annabelle Frank; Charlie Gower; Rosie and Sam Abramson; Weston, Jenna, Marshall,

and Jondavid Box; Asa and Eli McCarty. Jerry is also survived by two brothers, Michael Kirkpatrick and Geoffrey "Beau" Kirkpatrick; two sisters, Kathleen Kirkpatrick and Karen Kirkpatrick.

Funeral mass will be held on Friday, January 26, 2024 at St Andrew the Apostle Catholic Church, 895 N Broad St. Lexington, TN 38351. Family will receive visitors beginning at 10:00 AM with funeral mass at 12:00 noon. Interment will follow at Parkers Crossroads Veterans Cemetery, 693 Wildersville Rd, 38388 with honor guard service in the military chapel. In lieu of flowers, the family request donations be sent to St. Andrew's Catholic Church 895 N Broad St. Lexington, TN 38351 or All Saints Anglican Church 212 McClellan Rd Jackson, TN 38305.

Cemetery Details

Tennessee State Veterans Cemetery at Parkers Crossroads

693 Wildersville Rd
Parkers Crossroads, TN 38388

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 26. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

St Andrew the Apostle Church
895 Broad St N
Lexington, TN 38351-4021
(731) 968-6393

Church Service

JAN 26. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (CT)

St. Andrews Catholic Church
Lexington, TN

Tribute Wall



“ *Peggy Fitzpatrick sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Jerry Kirkpatrick*



Peggy Fitzpatrick - January 30 at 05:45 PM



“ *Nadeen Jeff Amy Megan Anna Sarah Lime purchased the Serene Reflections Bouquet for the family of Mr. Jerry Kirkpatrick.*



Nadeen Jeff Amy Megan Anna Sarah Lime - January 24, 2024 at 03:47 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mr. Jerry Kirkpatrick.*



January 22, 2024 at 04:17 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mr. Jerry Kirkpatrick.*



January 21, 2024 at 10:31 PM

SM

“ Stephanie Mcpeake lit a candle in memory of Mr. Jerry Kirkpatrick



Stephanie Mcpeake - January 20, 2024 at 11:34 PM



“ Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Mr. Jerry Kirkpatrick.



January 19, 2024 at 09:17 AM

LH

“ Laurel and Frank Harrison planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mr. Jerry Kirkpatrick.

Laurel and Frank Harrison - January 17, 2024 at 11:35 PM



“ Love's Journey was purchased for the family of Mr. Jerry Kirkpatrick.



January 17, 2024 at 11:35 PM

KA

“ I’m gonna miss my dad so much. He was a good man, a good human being.



Katie - January 17, 2024 at 04:54 PM

LB

“ Lori B. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mr. Jerry Kirkpatrick.

Lori B. - January 17, 2024 at 08:31 AM



“ Sacred Duty Spray was purchased for the family of Mr. Jerry Kirkpatrick.



January 17, 2024 at 08:31 AM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mr. Jerry Kirkpatrick.



January 14, 2024 at 04:29 PM

KK

“ *I'm Jerry's youngest sister, Karen. I remember Jerry letting me sit on his lap and "drive" his MG slowly down the street.*

Karen Kirkpatrick - January 14, 2024 at 02:37 PM