



Kerry Darnell "John" Collier

April 10, 1965 - February 4, 2021

Kerry Darnell "John" Collier was born on April 10, 1965 to Mr. James Clifford Collier and Sallie Mae Collier in Harriman, Tennessee.

Kerry was employed for thirty-one years at Hussman Refrigeration where he made quite a few friends of which he was fond of, including, Brenda Burney, Alan Knox, Nader Jaouni and Randy Galati. Kerry was a member of the United Steelworkers Union under the direction of Ron King while employed at Hussman.

Kerry was full of life and had quite a bit of humor; some of his quotes and quirks were: "no one took the initiative to pick up the Santa and reindeer off the lawn"; "why is it so hot in the house, Loni, you have it on hell"; "I will call you when I am done at the gym and then you text me the grocery list"; "I love you a little, I love you a lot, I love you no matter what" and "there the rub". He was known for leaving the iron on these clothes and walking away; turning on every TV in the house with the volume up to 75 or more.

Kerry grew up loving and playing baseball and football. He also enjoyed roller skating. Kerry enjoyed working out several times a week and he always stated he needed to stay fit for his children, especially his special needs son. Over time, he mentored, instructed, and encouraged young men in physical fitness.

Kerry was preceded in death by his father, James Clifford Collier; his grandparents, Willie and Velma Gordon; his sister Clifredia Collier Eskridge; his brothers, James D. Collier and Ronald D. Collier; and his best friend~ Damon (Quohonna "Candi") Cobb of St. Louis, Missouri.

Kerry is survived by his loving wife and best friend of thirty-two years~ Yolanda Marie Crosswhite; his five children~ Keshia (Cory) Dryman of Kingston, Tennessee, Ashia (Matt) Galati of Las Vegas, Nevada, Jasmine Fuqua of Harriman, Tennessee, Alexis Rene and Joshua James Collier of St. Louis, Missouri; a loving and caring mother~ Sallie Mae Gordon Collier; brothers~ Lt. Col. Ewing L. Collier, Chris Stone and Terrence Collier; five sisters~ Cynthia Collier Bowen, Deidre (Stewart) Silar, Tabitha (Ron) Cox, Sandra Sheets and Karen Walker "Kerry's Twin Sister"; two aunts~ Willene Griffin and Carolyn Phillips of Harriman, Tennessee; three uncles~ Gene (Carolyn) Gordon, Vance Gordon and Tony Gordon of Harriman, Tennessee; one grandmother~ Lucille Gordon; one great aunt~ Janie Clemons of Harriman, Tennessee; three grandchildren~ Jayden and Mylah Dryman of Kingston, Tennessee and Giovanni Galati of Las Vegas, Nevada; father-in-law~ Dwight (Donna) Crosswhite of Overland Park, Kansas; mother-in-law~ Mary (Donald) Cleveland of Cleveland, Tennessee; three sisters-in-law~ Veta Crosswhite of St. Louis, Missouri, Shanel Crosswhite of Overland Park, Kansas, and Susie Collier of Tennessee; two brothers-in-law~ Steve Crosswhite of Murfreesboro, Tennessee and Dwight Crosswhite of Knoxville, Tennessee; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and one childhood best friend~ Aaron Harkness of Harriman, Tennessee.

Homegoing service will be at 1 p.m. Thursday, February 18, 2021 with interment to follow in Roane Memorial Gardens. The family will receive friends from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. prior to service. Kyker Funeral Home in Harriman is serving the Collier Family. www.kykerfuneralhomes.com

Cemetery Details

Roane Memorial Gardens

1400 N Gateway Ave
Rockwood, TN 37854

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 18. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

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Burial

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Tribute Wall



“ *Ghirardelli Galore was purchased for the family of Kerry Darnell "John Collier.*



February 26, 2021 at 03:06 AM



“ *My deepest sympathy to all, God's comfort and peace in your time of sorrow.*



Regina Gallaher - February 18, 2021 at 09:03 AM



“ *Cobina Timmons lit a candle in memory of Kerry Darnell "John Collier*



Cobina Timmons - February 17, 2021 at 03:03 PM

CT

To The Family of Kerry Collier,

*I WILL lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my help,
My help cometh from the LORD, which made heaven and earth.*

GOD Loves You! GOD's Grace and Mercy be with you.

*Love,
Cobina Timmons
The Wells & Knaff Family*

Cobina Timmons - February 17, 2021 at 03:19 PM

PK

“ *Pamala Kline-Cleveland lit a candle in
memory of Kerry Darnell "John Collier*



Pamala Kline-Cleveland - February 17, 2021 at 10:16 AM



“ *Prayers for al of the family and friends, may God give you comfort
during these trying times.*

*God Bless,
Darlene Bowers Prewitt*

Darlene Prewitt - February 17, 2021 at 08:14 AM

RD

“ *My prayers go out to all of the family and friends of Kerry, he truly
was one of the nicest people I had the privilege to know over the
past several years and spend fun family times with, lost of laughs
and great times and cherished memories for us all , God Bless the
family and friends at this difficult time.*

Rusty Dryman - February 17, 2021 at 07:50 AM

MR

“ *Mary Rodriguez lit a candle in memory of Kerry Darnell "John Collier*



mary rodriguez - February 16, 2021 at 06:14 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Kerry Darnell "John Collier.*



February 16, 2021 at 06:10 PM

AM

“ *So very sorry for your loss. You and all loved ones. Sending thoughts and prayers* ❤️



Andrea murphy - February 16, 2021 at 04:46 PM

AM

Prayers for peace and comfort

Andrea murphy - February 16, 2021 at 04:47 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Kerry Darnell "John Collier.*



February 16, 2021 at 02:35 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Kerry Darnell "John Collier.*



February 16, 2021 at 02:33 PM