



Kerry Jay Branan

December 17, 1962 - July 4, 2019

Kerry Jay Branan, 57, passed away on July 4, 2019.

Seven years the younger of two, Kerry had his work cut out for him from the start. But his older sister would take him under her wing and teach him a bounty of lessons, like: why baby chicks shouldn't join him in the tub, how mayonnaise could trigger his gag reflex, and what terror a clown mask could reek on his poor little soul! And at the ripe age of 14, his sister taught him how to be an uncle. And man, was Uncle "Chippie" good at that! (And there are many to confirm those claims.) And then one bright day, a lovely lady named Heidi, walked into his life. They shared the world together, from car racing to restoring his beloved "Thumper" to the most important of them all: becoming parents. Two beautiful children, Jess and Jeremy, completed their circle. So tightly knit. So willingly bonded by blood, this family is the shining example of love. And Kerry was an absolutely beloved and integral part of that chain.

Today we are still. We are not moving. We are paused in all of the beautiful yesterdays. The stories that were told. The epic games of manhunt between the three family houses. The smoked ham, fish and chex mix. The SAUSAGE BALLS! The puzzle solver. The brilliant mechanic. The quiet comfort. The chuckle under his breath while his arms were folded high on his chest. The guy who would always say "yes" to a roller coaster and even brave the crowded parks and lines to get there. The guy, actually, who said yes to just about everything. Quietly, patiently and loyally minding his flock.

Loss is always a struggle, but for the great ones taken too soon, we mourn harder. Kerry is survived by his wife Heidi, his two children Jess and Jeremy, his sister Karen, six nieces, one nephews, three grand nephews, two grand nieces, and numerous in-laws, cousins and adoring friends and fans.

He will always be missed.

A private ceremony with family will be held Saturday July 13th, 2019.

A celebration of life for family, friends and fans will be take place on Saturday July 27, 2019 from 11am to 3pm at the Carbone residence. Please send DM for details. We appreciate all the calls, visits and acts of supreme kindness. We thank you for your support during this very difficult time.

Comments



“ Kerry was the best brother in law, more like a brother truthfully. I had the pleasure of having him in my life for 36 years. He is dearly missed. One of my favorite memories is after Kerry and Heidi had been dating for 6 years. I just couldn't understand why they weren't married yet, they were perfect for each other. Well one night they came to the house and they announced that they were engaged...finally! I just ran up to Kerry, hugged him, and said, "Thank you!" I was so happy lol. Kerry was a selfless man that was loved by everyone he met. I know I was blessed to have him in my life. Until we meet again Kerry...you're forever in my heart.

Jennifer Carbone Tyson



Jennifer Carbone Tyson - July 15, 2019 at 11:50 AM



“ I was blessed to have Kerry in my life for 36 years. He was my sister's soulmate, a wonderful father.
He was loved by so many friends and family.
He didn't judge anyone and treated everyone equally whether you were the CEO of a company or a homeless man.
His family meant the world to him.
I grieve daily still, I can only imagine the struggle my sister, niece and nephew continue to go through.
We will get through this as a family and hopefully more and more good, loving memories will etch away at the pain we all carry.
I miss your kind heart, your giving nature, your giggle under your breath...
I am thankful for the love you shared with Heidi, the way you and Heidi molded your children after each of you. I am grateful for the times you never judged me or my decisions, just loved me unconditionally... that means the world to me and I will forever carry that with me.
There are good people in the world... you have proven that.

Robin Knoll - October 02, 2019 at 06:20 PM



“ Sympathy Fruits Abound was purchased for the family of Kerry Jay Branan.



July 14, 2019 at 06:10 PM



“ Bev Neal lit a candle in memory of Kerry Jay Branan



bev neal - July 13, 2019 at 03:25 PM



“ Kerry, A pure, kind, caring man and dear friend. Family is the way you treated people! There are no words to express the sudden loss of a great man! My sincerest condolences to Heidi, Jess, Jeremy, Karen Branan & Family, The entire Carbone Family, The Wilde Honda Family and so many friends. Kerry was one of a kind and gentle man with a smile and laugh that was infectious! You're in God's arm's and will stay in our hearts forever! Miss you! Sincerely, Deborah VanDeWalle



Deborah Vandewalle - July 12, 2019 at 10:19 PM



“ Springtime Wishes was purchased for the family of Kerry Jay Branan.



July 12, 2019 at 07:37 PM



“ I'll always remember the Samoset Baptist youth group from the 70's, hanging out together at Kerry's house, playing Uno. Kerry was the best of all of us. See you in Heaven, brother.

A Lynn Watter - July 12, 2019 at 06:19 PM



“ Our prayers for all of you. Dee and John Hamill

Dee Hamill - July 12, 2019 at 05:33 PM