



John W. Criss

December 25, 1940 - January 10, 2023

John W. Criss, 82, of Huntington, passed away at 5:20 am Tuesday, January 10, 2023, at Parkview Hospital Randallia, Ft. Wayne, IN.

John was born on December 25, 1940, in Terre Haute, IN, the son of Thomas Criss and Edith (Hartley) Criss. He graduated from Gerstmeyer High School in Terre Haute, IN with the Class of 1959 and married Myrna J. Musselman on April 14, 1962, in Columbia City, IN. He was a proud Veteran of the United States Air Force, was a member of the Royal Order of the Moose Lodge 823 of Huntington, IN. and a member of I.E.U. Local #901 (International Union of Electric Workers of FT. Wayne, IN. He retired as a Truck Driver from General Electric of Ft. Wayne, IN. after 32 years of service, and Retired from Old Dominion Trucking company in Ft. Wayne, IN. after 6 years. John was the owner of the AMOCO Food Shop from 1983 to 1998 and was the owner of the Sweet Cup from 1980 to 1992.

John remains one of the most kind, loving, and humble men many will ever have the pleasure of knowing. He leaves behind a legacy of love and family, the two things he valued most in the world. While those he's left behind are deeply saddened by this loss, we are grateful and blessed to have been loved by him. John and his values will live on through the lives of his wife, children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren; may we all make him proud.

Survivors include his Wife, Myrna J. Criss of Huntington, IN; Son, Michael W. (Annette) Criss of Titusville, FL; Daughter, Michelle M. (Mark) Eckert of Huntington, IN; Brother, Allan W. (Beverly) Criss of Virginia Beach, VA; Sister, Jean (Jimmy) Geissler of Roanoke, IN; Granddaughter, Desiree; Two Grandsons, Tristan and Draft; Six Great Grandchildren, Dayton, Zara, Ainsley, Ryker, Mariella, and Easton. He is preceded in death by his Daughter, Mona Lynn Criss, Brother, Donald T. Criss, Sister, Judy Riley, Sister, Sue White, Sister, Nancy Hardwick, Father, Thomas D Criss, and Mother, Edith Criss.

No services will be held at this time.

Preferred memorials may be made in memory of John to the Ronald McDonald House, St. Jude's or Riley Hospital for Children, in care of Bailey-Love Mortuary, 35 West Park Drive, Huntington, IN, 46750.

Please sign the online guest book at www.baileylove.com.

Bailey-Love Mortuary is honored to serve the family of John W. Criss.

Tribute Wall

ME

“ 6 files added to the album Criss family



Michelle M Eckert - January 24, 2023 at 07:06 PM

ME

“ This man was a wonder of everything. He taught me most of what I know. Mom did the rest. He made me understand the love of animals and how to treat them with love and respect. He told me, "You cannot save them all." But the ones I can save I give everything to just like he did.

He was complex but simple to his family. His circle was small but rich. It was a great feeling to have him and my mom accept my husband Mark Eckert so deeply into their lives. Dad's Buddy, as he called Mark, brought him comfort in knowing I would be forever taken care of and loved. His accomplishments were major, even though he was quiet about them. As he was a very proud man. He came from nothing and grew to be a great grandfather to several small humans. Sadly some never got to meet him in person, but when he did interact with them, his joy was amazing. He loves his family.

In his honor please donate to a children's charity or send supplies to a local animal shelter.

Bye for now dad, make sure all of Heaven's grass is mowed correctly.

Love ya, Shell

Michelle M Eckert - January 24, 2023 at 06:45 PM

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“ Michelle Eckert sent a virtual gift in memory of John Criss



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“ *Michelle Eckert lit a candle in memory of John Criss*



Michelle M Eckert - January 24, 2023 at 06:31 PM

WC

“ *1 file added to the album Criss family*



William Criss - January 22, 2023 at 06:18 PM

ME

Nice pic of all the kids.

Michelle M Eckert - January 24, 2023 at 06:35 PM

WC

“ *A tribute to my brother John W, Criss who serves as an example of how to live an exemplary life. John leaves behind a devoted wife, son, daughter, and grandchildren. I bid my loving farewell you will be missed. Allan*

William Criss - January 22, 2023 at 05:36 PM

RK

“ RhondaBauer Kattau lit a candle in memory of John Criss



RhondaBauer Kattau - January 18, 2023 at 09:20 AM

WM

“ Wayne McLaughlin lit a candle in memory of John Criss



Wayne McLaughlin - January 17, 2023 at 08:34 PM

PS

“ Peggy Snyder lit a candle in memory of John Criss



Peggy Snyder - January 17, 2023 at 05:06 PM

LR

“ Myrna.sorry for your loss.Memories will last forever.thinking of you and your family.Linda (Wehr)Rowland.

Linda Rowland - January 17, 2023 at 04:31 PM