



Jeremy David Kerns

March 11, 1982 - August 21, 2024

Jeremy David “Cowboy” Kerns, a man who wrangled life like a rodeo star, left us to join the grandest rodeo in the sky on August 15, 2024. Born in Bartlesville, Oklahoma, on March 11, 1982, Jeremy spent 42 years crafting his legacy.

In Dewey, Oklahoma, Jeremy tipped his hat for the final time, but not without leaving an indelible mark on the hearts and funny bones of those he met. A true Okie from his cowboy boots to his ten-gallon hat, he had a knack for turning the ordinary into the extraordinary, whether he was by a lake with a fishing rod in hand or breathing life into wood in his workshop.

Jeremy's family was his pride and joy. He was the beloved son of Larry Kerns of Dewey and his mother, Anita Kirk (husband Danny) of Fort Gibson. His siblings, Ashley Davis (husband Matt), Kandis Correa (husband Pete), Emily Potts (husband Justin), and DJ Kirk (wife Adrian), could always count on Jeremy for a hearty laugh, an ingenious solution to any problem, or a partner in crime when it came to playing pranks. The title of “Uncle Jeremy” was one he wore with honor, showering his many nieces and nephews with love and laughter.

Jeremy was preceded in death by his dog Boog, paternal grandparents Dave Kerns and Martha Kerns, and maternal grandparents Joe Swift and Alberta

McCarthy.

A man of many talents, Jeremy could rope calves, ride bulls, and carve a masterpiece from a block of wood, and reel in a catfish, all before breakfast. His love for the outdoors was matched only by his passion for helping others and turning trash into treasure. A faithful steward of the earth, he saw beauty in the discarded and potential in the overlooked – a trait that extended to his view of people as well.

Jeremy was the embodiment of creativity, generosity, and faith. He could spin a yarn that would make you snort your sweet tea out your nose, and he'd be the first to offer you a handkerchief afterward. His tales of outdoor escapades were as tall as the tales themselves, and his ability to find humor in the mundane made every day an adventure.

A faith-filled man, Jeremy didn't just walk the walk; he two-stepped it, leaving a trail of kindness and good deeds in his wake. He was the kind of guy who'd give you the shirt off his back and then help you style it into the latest fashion. His generosity knew no bounds, and his creative spirit was a beacon for all who knew him.

As we say goodbye to Jeremy, we imagine him in Heaven, repurposing pearly gates into breathtaking sculptures and teaching the angels how to bait a hook. His laughter echoes in the wind, and his spirit lives on in every piece of reclaimed wood that's given a second chance at beauty.

So here's to Jeremy David “Cowboy” Kerns, a man who lived life with the gusto of a bull rider and the tender touch of a master craftsman. He may have ridden off into the sunset, but his legacy will continue to inspire chuckles, acts of kindness, and the belief that with a little creativity, anything is possible.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

SEP 5. 2:00 PM (CT)

City Church
4222 Rice Creek Rd
Bartlesville, OK 74006

Tribute Wall



“ *Tcbc Cole lit a candle in memory of Jeremy David Kerns*



Tcbc Cole - March 14, 2025 at 08:26 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Jeremy David Kerns.*



September 03, 2024 at 02:01 PM



“ *Connie Sloan & The Glover Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jeremy David Kerns.*

Connie Sloan & The Glover Family - August 31, 2024 at 12:51 PM



“ *Connie Sloan & The Glover Family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Jeremy David Kerns.*



Connie Sloan & The Glover Family - August 31, 2024 at 12:51 PM

CF

“ *I miss ur big smile, ur kind heart, thoughtfulness, but most of all the way u loved n pampered me!! I love u Jeremy forever n always!!*

Courtney Freeny - August 31, 2024 at 12:06 AM



“ *Tina Proctor lit a candle in memory of Jeremy David Kerns*



Tina Proctor - August 28, 2024 at 05:48 PM

KA

“ *I just miss you*



Kandis - August 28, 2024 at 01:27 PM

ME

“ Mr. Jeremy...you were my brother's best friend for as far back as I remember. Not just best friend, but his **BEST FRIEND FOREVER**, and I believe you both meant it with each other.

I know there are a few of his friends who would call him "Butch", as long as I was around, but I was told of you even calling him Butch(Homer) at times, when I was nowhere in sight. Jeremy - you, Butch(Homer S.) Matt S., Mike D., Chris M., Teddy L., and Bill C. (RIP) will always remind me of a friendship group that many would strive to have.

ALL of you boys have fought some harsh battles in life that were far from easy; I'm proud of you guys and the obstacles you've overcome. Jeremy, I wish I had gotten to see you since moving back to OK. I'm loving the photos of you that Butch and Kandis are sharing. You still had that beautiful smile and I just about bet you had the same infectious laugh.

I know my mom has already hugged you hard and then smacked you; hug her for me. Fly high, JK...watch over all the guys(and Kandis), until y'all meet again.💔

Melissa - August 27, 2024 at 03:50 PM

KA

Thank you so much

kandis - August 28, 2024 at 10:49 AM

AK

Cowboy was my best friend for the couple years we spent as neighbors. Just happened to try to look him up and find this awful news. RIP brother. He was the type that could make you laugh in any and every situation. When I needed my spirits lifted the most, he was there. Shame we ran out of time.

Alex Koweski - November 18, 2024 at 09:15 AM

ME

“ *Melissa lit a candle in memory of Jeremy David Kerns*



Melissa - August 27, 2024 at 03:23 PM

EL

“ *One of the best hug's and kisses to the sky cowboy.*

Ella - August 27, 2024 at 02:24 PM

CP

“ *Cynthia Parnell lit a candle in memory of Jeremy David Kerns*



Cynthia Parnell - August 27, 2024 at 04:23 AM

CP

To my dear friend you going to be missed by everyone that knew you and loved you very very much my heart broke when I saw this I miss you I'm missing all the fun we used to have and and going out dancing and seen you at the casino and last night I went out and played for you I didn't do too bad I was up and down but I love you dear friend you will always be on my mind and in my heart love from your friend Cynthia

Cynthia Parnell - August 27, 2024 at 04:28 AM

SM

“ I remember when your dog had Bucks puppies you came over and brought them all over and bobbed all their tails. I will never be more grateful for you finding Buck the day those people stole him. Made my husband so happy. You were our hero. Miss ya already

Shanya Morgan - August 27, 2024 at 02:28 AM

KA

I think he told me this story recently. You'll have to share it at the funeral.

Kandis - August 27, 2024 at 09:23 AM

JR

The best looking guy ever! A beautiful smile that took your breath! Rest now Jeremy 💔

Janette Rucker - August 27, 2024 at 09:35 PM

TH

“ I bet the hoot owl is playing all the right tunes, boog is fetching all the bottles, coyote is feeling cowy, bulls are fresh, and broncos are ready to dive into the pond. Ride rank JK, rest easy friend.



Tiffany Hard-Young - August 26, 2024 at 11:52 PM

JS

“ Jeanne Foreman Shepherd lit a candle in memory of Jeremy David Kerns



Jeanne Foreman Shepherd - August 26, 2024 at 10:40 PM

KA

“ Big brother, life has been completely unfair for you and I am so thankful you've found peace and comfort with our maker. I'll see you again soon, and will be taking care of your legacy from here.



Kandis - August 26, 2024 at 08:20 PM

RB

“ Rosy Nikkel Beck lit a candle in memory of Jeremy David Kerns



Rosy Nikkel Beck - August 26, 2024 at 07:15 PM

JH

“ Janice Holland lit a candle in memory of Jeremy David Kerns



Janice Holland - August 26, 2024 at 05:41 PM