



Jimmy Charles Criswell

October 21, 1945 - June 13, 2021

Jimmy Criswell, age 75 of Purcell, passed away Sunday, June 13, 2021, in Homer, Alaska. Jimmy Charles Criswell was born October 21, 1945 in Purcell, OK, the baby of three sons born to Roy Virgil Criswell and Gertye Mae (Blair) Criswell. Jimmy was raised in Purcell and attended Purcell Schools, graduating with the Dragon Class of 1963. He then attended Oklahoma State University for a time. By chance, Jimmy met a young lady from Del City named Larrie Jean Carothers. Their paths had crossed many times, and yet this time, at a church camp meeting in Sulphur... well it was different. Jimmy and Larrie were the perfect couple, and on January 31, 1970, they were married in Moore, OK. At the time, Jimmy worked for Fred Jones Manufacturing in Okla. City. They lived in Memphis for a few years, before settling back in Okla. City. Jimmy longed for the country, and by 1977, he had convinced Larrie to move back to the family farm. Together they raised four children, Sondra, Brandon, Alisha and Aaron. Jim opened his own auto parts store, Jim's Auto Parts, in Washington in the early 1980's. He later worked for Gary Johnson at the NAPA store in town. In the early 90's, he bought a service station from Bill and Brent Bacon, and started Criswell's Services. Jimmy's kind heart, his honest eyes, and his ability to tell a story, made everyone he came in contact with feel special. Jimmy was a devout Christian, a longtime and faithful member of the Washington Church of Christ, and he shared Christ every day. He would go out of his way to help others, and literally gave the shirt off of his back. He was adventurous, and loved the

mountains in Colorado and Alaska, and he lived for every day. He was funny, and quick witted and a true friend to his community. Jimmy cherished Larrie, the family they created and was so happy being a grandpa. Rest well friend! He was preceded in death by: his parents, RV and Gertye Criswell and his brother, Roy Lee Criswell.

Jimmy is survived by: his wife, Larrie of the home; children, Sondra Ramos and husband Erich of Amarillo, TX, Brandon Criswell of Purcell, Alisha Cruz and husband Greg of Goldsby and Aaron Criswell and wife Brandee of Purcell; His brother, Harold Criswell and wife Patricia of Moore; 8 grandchildren, Ariana, Alexander, Kimberly, Claudia, Nick, Slaton, Amelia and Braxton; 2 great grandchildren, Achilles and Oliver and a host of other family and friends.

Funeral Services are scheduled for 10:00 A.M. Saturday, June 19, 2021, at Purcell's First Baptist Church. Burial will follow at the Hillside Cemetery. Send online condolences @ www.wilsonlittle.com.

Tribute Wall

LB

“ *Love you cousin.*



Linda Criswell Bird - March 30, 2024 at 12:00 AM

LC

“ *My condolences to you Larrie, your children, grands and beyond. Of course I can say nothing to take away your pain, your loss. I just hope it helps to know we care, and to assure you God will give you strength and courage to carry your burden, and bring healing in HIS timing, in HIS ways.*

Lorene Cox - June 23, 2021 at 12:00 AM

RL

“ *so sorry for your lost our love and prayers to you and the family*

RON LESTER - June 19, 2021 at 12:00 AM

DM

“ *He had big heart no matter
If you could not pay the full amount he worked in it with you- He was awesome - He was such a sweetie- I new him from Criswells-
Thank you for your kind heart- there are not many people in the world that makes a impact like you did. Debra Mullins*

Debra Mullins - June 19, 2021 at 12:00 AM

C(

“ I am so sad to hear the passing of Jimmy. He knew my dad, Claude Medearis, and his twin sister, Claudette and brother Ervin James Medearis. He was also close to my great-aunt, Carrie Rumbaugh. You and your family will be in my prayers.

Catherine Alaniz-Simonds (Medearis) - June 18, 2021 at 12:00 AM

RF

“ Mr. Criswell will truly be missed by all who knew him. Our thoughts and prayers to the family.

The Rutledge Family

Rutledge Family - June 18, 2021 at 12:00 AM

CA

“ So sorry for your loss. Didn't know Jimmy until Alisha worked for Me at SuperCuts and, loved her family since the time I meant them. He was a dedicated man to The Lord, Larrie and His family. Will be missed by many people. Prayer, Love and Hugzzz!! 🙏❤️

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PK

“ Jimmy's passing brought great shock to me. I've known Jimmy a long time. As first cousins we shared many childhood days. Many memories flood my mind. Playing Cowboys and Indians on his family's farm. Jimmy showed me how to shoot a BB gun. All the cousins who would visit the farm shared fun, love and happiness. I extend prayers to Larrie and all the family. May God bless them and grant them Peace and Comfort. Rest In Peace Jimmy.

Patricia Criswell Kim - June 18, 2021 at 12:00 AM

IS

“ My heart is broken for Laurie and the family. My memory of Jimmy is the same as all who ever met him - always smiling, sweet and humble spirit and the gift of making each person feel special. He will be missed by all.



Iwona Sears - June 18, 2021 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ A true blessing to all who knew him. He will be missed terribly. May God lift up dear Larrie and family through these difficult times. Deepest condolences.
June and Galen

June Jones Clabaugh - June 18, 2021 at 12:00 AM

MS

“ Jimmie was a special friend to all . Very kind and considerate of others. He will be deeply missed !

Mike and Rhonda Savage - June 17, 2021 at 12:00 AM

GL

“ What a wonderful man. Jimmy and my dad were friends since they were in grade school. I've never not known Jimmy. His contagious smile and his huge heart made it so fun to be with him and talk to him. I pay peace and comfort for his beautiful wife and his kids.

Greg Lindsey - June 17, 2021 at 12:00 AM

BH

“ Jimmy was a sweet, sweet man and always helped us when we needed something. The community has suffered a great loss with his passing. Our deepest sympathies to the family.

Bill & Jenell Henning - June 17, 2021 at 12:00 AM

RS

“ Sending prayers for the family of Jimmy. What an honor to know and love such a wonderful man.



Randi Stringer - June 17, 2021 at 12:00 AM

JD

“ Jimmy and Larrie attended our 50th anniversary celebration January 2020. They celebrated their own a week later. We reminisced about staying with them in Memphis in 1973 when I had a meeting there. They took us to Elvis Presley's house. Elvis was home and the guard at the gate told us Jerry Lee Lewis was visiting. Judy was pregnant Antwerp joked about her pretending to go into labor so they would take us up to the house. lol. Good times! We told them about our meeting in Alaska and how awesome it was. They went later that year and loved it so much they went back this year. Jimmy was easy going and always a joy to be with. He cherished you Larrie! Our prayers are for you and all the family. Remember the good times and look forward to a happy reunion after awhile.

Jerry and Judy Dickinson - June 17, 2021 at 12:00 AM

VH

“ Larrie, I chose this particular candle for Jimmy because his always seemed to shine so bright. I will always remember his postings on Facebook. I always enjoyed them. I loved the pictures of you two that he posted. The love you shared was very evident in them. You are, and will be, in my daily prayers. Much love!



Velda Hill - June 17, 2021 at 12:00 AM

ME

“ Jim was a special man. He will be missed by all who knew him.

Melton & Sandy Ezell - June 17, 2021 at 12:00 AM

GD

“ Jimmy was a special man who cared about everyone in his community. He will be deeply missed. Larrie, we are praying for you and your family to feel God's comfort and strength during this heartbreaking time.

Love,
Sherry

Gene and Sherry Davis - June 17, 2021 at 12:00 AM