



Bobby Don Kirby

October 17, 1939 - October 22, 2012

Bobby Don Kirby, age 73, of Morrilton, Arkansas went to be with the Lord on Monday, October 22, 2012. He was born October 17, 1939 in Springhill, Arkansas, a son of Edgar and Arlie Kirby. He graduated from Conway High School in 1957, and married Irene Ragland in 1958.

Bobby worked as a grocery store owner, salesman, and served as Mayor of Morrilton. He was the past president of the Morrilton Jaycees, on the Morrilton Country Club and Morrilton Hunting and Fishing Club Board of Directors, and a member of the Morrilton Planning and Zoning Commission. He was also an active member of Calvary Baptist Church and Fish Lake Hunting and Fishing Club.

Survivors include his wife Irene, sons Jeff Kirby and Tony (Penny) Kirby, grandchildren, Anthony (Robin), Rachel, and Rebecca Kirby; sisters, Charlene James and Betty Harvey. He was preceded in death by his parents, a brother and a sister.

Funeral services will be at 2:00 p.m., Thursday, October 25 at Calvary Baptist Church. The family will receive friends one hour prior to the service at the church. Arrangements are by Harris Funeral Home of Morrilton. The family requests in lieu of flowers, donations be made to the Calvary Baptist Church or Arkansas Hospice.

Tribute Wall



“ *Bobby Don Kirby*

January 30, 2023 at 02:08 AM



“ *We're gonna miss you Bobby! He loved his church and family so much.*

Sharon Shewmake - June 29, 2018 at 09:29 PM



“ *My prayers are with you all, may God's grace sustain and comfort you all.*

Bobby used to call me "4-B"..."Big Bad Bro. Brian" and always made me laugh.

He will be missed

Brian Pruett - June 29, 2018 at 09:29 PM



“ *I remember Bobby from when he had his store and my aunt Lucille Bingham worked for him for years ! He was always so sweet and always had a smile on his face. Morrilton lost a good man yesterday but I know the town will pull together ! I pray for understanding and love for his family and may the Lord give you peace. God Bless the Kirby Family*

Becky York Hunt - June 29, 2018 at 09:29 PM

CG

“ My thoughts & prayers are with your family during this difficult time. Bobby was a kind, generous & wonderful man. He was always so nice to me during my tenure as Circuit Clerk. He will certainly be remembered as a man who did great things for Morrilton & Conway County. God Bless Him.

Carolyn Gadberry - June 29, 2018 at 09:29 PM

RL

“ My love and prayers to you Irene and to the children and grandchildren. I am so sorry for you - Bobby will be so missed. We shared many laughs over the past years - when he was in the grocery business and as Mayor. He was truly a friend to everyone. I am so fortunate to have known him. P.S. Larry loved him so much.

Rebecca Lewandowski - June 29, 2018 at 09:29 PM

CH

“ Many good memories working in the grocery business together

Curtis Hanson - June 29, 2018 at 09:29 PM

GK

“ Mrs. Kirby I want to express my deep symapath to you and the Kirby family. Knowing Bobby as a strong family figure I can feel your heavy loss. I have fond memories of Bobby at the Little League ball fields, either as a coach or umpire he was always a colorful character. I was a catcher at times so I got to interact with Bobby when he was umpire. He was always fair and quick to give encouragement. I can remember very funny exchanges between Bobby and Mrs. Parks{her yelling Boooobbbbyyy} and him telling her that if she thought she could call any better for her to come on down. I greatly admired Bobby for his service to our community as mayor. That is a very thankless job and he did it well. While we had our differences of opinion on some matters he was always professional. After we spoke privately about our differences we left with the understanding that we could differ and still be civil and friends. I am so sorry for your loss of a very good man.

Gary Koch - June 29, 2018 at 09:29 PM

LJ

“ May God Bless and Comfort your family and all those who called you a friend.

Laymon Jones - June 29, 2018 at 09:29 PM

DA

“ We're so sorry for your loss. We will keep you all in our thoughts and prayers.

Royce and Anne Kirby

David and Debi (Kirby) Avra

I'm sorry I won't be able to be at the service. I will be out of state Thursday. Royce

Debi Kirby Avra - June 29, 2018 at 09:29 PM

TT

“ My memories start with Tony. I met Tony in 4th grade. He was always a good kid, so I know his parents, Bobby and Irene, did a great job. I do remember Bobby from the Country Club...he was always smiling and friendly! Kirby's Korner was great, too! My prayers to the family.

Tracey Trafford - June 29, 2018 at 09:29 PM

TS

“ I was sorry to hear about Bobby Kirby's passing. I worked with Bobby when I served as the former administrator at Conway County 911. I truly appreciated Bobby's support as he served on the 911 Intergovernmental Council working to improve emergency services/911. He was supportive of our 911 dispatchers and city officers. I also remember going to Kirby's Market with my Mom and Dad when I was young. He had a special way with his customers. My thoughts and prayers are with the Kirby family. God Bless!

Tammie Shipp - June 29, 2018 at 09:29 PM

LH

“ MY heart goes out to the kirby family for the loss of MR. KIRBY, you all will be in my thoughts and prayers.

LYNN HEFFINGTON - June 29, 2018 at 09:29 PM

AW

“ Irene, I was so surprised to see Bobby's obituary in the newspaper this morning. It doesn't seem that long ago that your family lived next door to us on Moose Street even though I know it really was a long time ago. I am so sorry for your loss. I hope your are well, and you and your boys will be in my thoughts at this time.

Anita (Ward) Weber - June 29, 2018 at 09:29 PM

LH

“ Irene and family,

I am so sorry to hear of Bobby's passing. Bobby was a wonderful man and a friend to everyone that knew him. When I saw him, he always had a sweet smile and hug to share. Earth's loss in Heaven's gain, and he will always watch after each of you every day!! Please know that my thoughts and prayers are with you and the family during this time!!

Lynlee Holland - June 29, 2018 at 09:29 PM

BK

“ Irene, just wanted you to know that Harlan and I have you in our thoughts and prayers. Bobby and that smile of his will definitely be missed. Love you, Beverly and Harlan Knowles

Beverly & Harlan Knowles - June 29, 2018 at 09:29 PM

JF

“ Dear Irene, you have been in my thoughts and prayers every single day since I heard of his illness. May your great faith sustain you always, as I know it will.

Love,
Joclynn

Joclynn Flowers - June 29, 2018 at 09:29 PM

JC

“ I have nothing but good memories of Bob Kirby through the years. He and his family opened their home and hearts to me at all times, and I really enjoyed working with him and his team at Kirby's Korner Market. My first memory goes back to learning discipline and the skill of shooting a BB gun at the old National Guard Armory under Bob's guidance.

May God bless and comfort all his family and friends during this tough time.

Jerry Cagle

Jerry Cagle - June 29, 2018 at 09:29 PM

DD

“ Was so surprised and sorry to hear of the earthly loss of Bobby. As a fellow school mate of he and his twin Betty, I send my condolences. We missed him at our 55th reunion this summer but had no idea he was ill. Thoughts and prayers to your family.

Donna Rodgers Dillahunty - June 29, 2018 at 09:29 PM

GD

“ So sorry to hear about Bobby passing, but he will be truly missed by so many. I was glad to have gotten to visit him and his wife at our 50th class reunion 5 years ago. To the Kirby family, may God be with you and embrace you and the family during this sorrowful time. My thoughts and prayers are with you.

Glenna Loveless Duggar - June 29, 2018 at 09:29 PM



“ Irene, Anthony and family: you are in my thoughts and prayers. God bless you.

October 29, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *Bobby was a great first boss!*Katie

October 27, 2012 at 12:00 AM