



Kerry Lee Bickerstaff

October 17, 1967 - March 23, 2025

On Sunday morning, March 23, 2025 Kerry Lee Bickerstaff went home to Jesus.

Kerry was born on October 17, 1967 in Missouri. His parents, J.L. and Dorothy Bickerstaff preceded him to Heaven. Kerry attended SMU in Dallas and began a deep love for all things Texas. Kerry married Paula Kay Wilburn on July 1, 1995 in Missouri. Their 30th anniversary planning brought great joy and excitement.

On November 5, 1997 Bailey Catherine Bickerstaff was born and created our family of 3– Kerry’s favorite number. In 1996, Kerry left the family jewelry store business in Missouri to become a corporate pilot. He flew across America, Canada, and Mexico and loved every tiring moment. His skills and knowledge and wisdom made him a trusted co-pilot and employee.

Kerry’s family moved to Texas in 2007. He rode in regular cycling races, even competing at the state level. In recent years, he took up running– enjoying runs with his neighbor and friend and looking forward to races with Bailey.

Watching Bailey grow into a beautiful woman filled Kerry with such pride and joy. He loved her with all his being.

Kerry’s walk with God began during his college years and he never wavered in complete faith and devotion. About 6 years ago, Kerry began leading a

Sunday School class at Colonial Hills Baptist Church. He researched, studied, and listened to God earnestly every week. Sharing those lessons with his friends and family filled him with purpose, hope, and great happiness. He was beginning to prepare to teach at Flint Baptist Church and was already gathering ideas.

Kerry Bickerstaff was a man who listened well, spoke wisely, loved fiercely, worked diligently, and trusted God completely. He will be forever missed.

Services for Kerry Bickerstaff of Tyler will be held on Monday, March 31, 2025 at 2:00PM at Flint Baptist Church in Flint with Rev. Sam DeVille and Rev. Park Robertson officiating. Burial will follow at Rose Lawn Cemetery in Tyler under the direction of Stewart Funeral Home.

Pallbearers will be Joel Enge, Rex Johnson, Wade Ricks, David Starrett, Dennis Taylor, and Tim Young. Honorary pallbearers will be James Finch of Kennett, Missouri.

Cemetery Details

Rose Lawn Cemetery

2003 Blue Mountain Blvd.
Tyler, TX 75703

Previous Events

Service

MAR 31. 2:00 PM (CT)

Flint Baptist Church
11131 FM 2868W
Flint, TX 75762-8733
(903) 894-7649

Tribute Wall



“ Stewart Family Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Kerry Lee Bickerstaff



Stewart Family Funeral Home - March 28, 2025 at 02:54 PM

DT

“ Desiree T. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Kerry Lee Bickerstaff.

Desiree T. - March 31, 2025 at 10:53 AM



“ Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Kerry Lee Bickerstaff.



March 31, 2025 at 08:58 AM

CH

“ Clark and Angie Hook purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Kerry Lee Bickerstaff.



Clark and Angie Hook - March 31, 2025 at 08:06 AM



“ *Heavenly Heights Bouquet was purchased for the family of Kerry Lee Bickerstaff.*



March 30, 2025 at 10:57 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Kerry Lee Bickerstaff.

March 30, 2025 at 10:57 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Kerry Lee Bickerstaff.*



March 30, 2025 at 06:02 PM



“ *Jim and Sherry Paules purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of Kerry Lee Bickerstaff.*



Jim and Sherry Paules - March 29, 2025 at 11:25 AM

CC

“ Colonial Hills Sunday School Class purchased the *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* for the family of Kerry Lee Bickerstaff.



Colonial Hills Sunday School Class - March 28, 2025 at 09:35 PM

CC

“ Colonial Hills Sunday School Class planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Kerry Lee Bickerstaff.

Colonial Hills Sunday School Class - March 28, 2025 at 09:35 PM

TM

“ The Vogel Family- Mark and Magdalene purchased the *Large Basket Garden* for the family of Kerry Lee Bickerstaff.



The Vogel Family- Mark and Magdalene - March 28, 2025 at 08:58 PM



“ 52 files added to the album Life Tributes



Stewart Family Funeral Home - March 28, 2025 at 02:36 PM

PG

Paula it so sad to here Kerry had passed away I am Patsie from Kennett House of Beauty. Bailey has grown up to be very Pretty young Lady..My prayers are with you and your family

Patsie Ann Gibson - March 29, 2025 at 07:53 AM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Kerry Lee Bickerstaff.



March 28, 2025 at 01:25 PM

CT

“ Chris Tutt purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Kerry Lee Bickerstaff.



Chris Tutt - March 28, 2025 at 01:10 PM

CT

“ Chris Tutt planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Kerry Lee Bickerstaff.

Chris Tutt - March 28, 2025 at 01:10 PM

KC

“ Karen C. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Kerry Lee Bickerstaff.

Karen C. - March 28, 2025 at 11:35 AM

TA

“ Textron Aviation purchased the Ocean Breeze Spray for the family of Kerry Lee Bickerstaff.



Textron Aviation - March 28, 2025 at 11:27 AM

TA

“ Textron Aviation planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Kerry Lee Bickerstaff.

Textron Aviation - March 28, 2025 at 11:27 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Kerry Lee Bickerstaff.



March 28, 2025 at 10:24 AM



“ Treasured Lilies Spray was purchased for the family of Kerry Lee Bickerstaff.



March 27, 2025 at 04:44 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Kerry Lee Bickerstaff.

March 27, 2025 at 04:44 PM



“ Tim and Melissa Young purchased the Basket of Memories for the family of Kerry Lee Bickerstaff.



Tim and Melissa Young - March 27, 2025 at 03:15 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Kerry Lee Bickerstaff.*



March 27, 2025 at 01:59 PM



“ *Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Kerry Lee Bickerstaff.*



March 27, 2025 at 11:13 AM



“ *Sweet Sincerity was purchased for the family of Kerry Lee Bickerstaff.*



March 27, 2025 at 10:17 AM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Kerry Lee Bickerstaff.*



March 27, 2025 at 10:14 AM

MK

“ Michael and Jennifer Bell KHS purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Kerry Lee Bickerstaff.



Michael and Jennifer Bell KHS - March 27, 2025 at 12:02 AM



“ Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of Kerry Lee Bickerstaff.



March 26, 2025 at 07:24 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Kerry Lee Bickerstaff.

March 26, 2025 at 07:24 PM

AC

“ Albert, Laura, Steven & David Chabarría purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Kerry Lee Bickerstaff.



Albert, Laura, Steven & David Chabarría - March 26, 2025 at 06:04 PM

AC

“ Albert, Laura, Steven & David Chabarria planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Kerry Lee Bickerstaff.

Albert, Laura, Steven & David Chabarria - March 26, 2025 at 06:04 PM

JP

“ John Patton purchased the Crystal Cross Bouquet for the family of Kerry Lee Bickerstaff.



John Patton - March 26, 2025 at 03:35 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Kerry Lee Bickerstaff.



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