



## Gary "Kirby" Calvin Johnson

November 22, 1950 - November 16, 2024

Gary "Kirby" Calvin Johnson, 73, of Laurel, Mississippi, was born November 22, 1950. He passed away on Saturday, November 16, at his residence, and is now resting in heaven.

Gary was preceded in death by his parents, Kirby Calvin Johnson and Loletta Simpson Johnson; brother, Shirley Shelton Johnson; and sister, Bonnie Sue Welborn.

Together with Lynn Quimby Johnson, Gary shared two daughters, Jane Lindsay Johnson, and Ivy Abigail Johnson Garec (Marcus).

Along with his daughters and son-in-law, Gary leaves behind his best friend and furry companion "Jude"; his nephews, Michael "Buford" Welborn and Scott Johnson; his grandchildren, Madeline Buckalew Tamor (Chandler), Maylee Jane and Mylah Beth Garec; and his longtime companion, Sherry Babb.

"Kirby" loved to socialize and knew just about everyone. He had a successful career in car sales, working at various dealerships in Laurel, MS.

Gary lived an eclectic life, filled with many interests and hobbies. He was a collector of odd and unusual things and loved to tell the stories behind them.

He was a talented craftsman, with a strong work ethic, who was always busy working on a project. Gary enjoyed being outdoors, shooting and cleaning his guns, and riding his Harley Davidson. He also loved camping, canoeing, and spending time with family at the "creek".

Private services will be held at a future date.

To sign the online guest book, visit [www.memorychapellaurel.com](http://www.memorychapellaurel.com).

# Tribute Wall

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“ *I worked with Kirby at the chevrolet dealership in Laurel. He was a kind and sweet man. I know he will be missed by all that knew and loved him. Prayers for family and friends.*

*Dottie Upton*

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**Dottie Upton** - November 21, 2024 at 12:23 PM

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“ *With deepest sympathy, Praying for healing for family and friends.*

*Kay Barry (Kim's Toyota)*

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**Kay Barry** - November 21, 2024 at 08:30 AM



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