



John David Crittenden

February 23, 1973 - May 28, 2022

John David Crittenden, 49, of Fort Gibson, was born February 23, 1973, in Muskogee, OK to Arthur and Velma (Smith) Crittenden and peacefully passed away Saturday, May 28, 2022, at home with his loving family by his side. He grew up in Fort Gibson where he received his formal education. John was employed with Zapata then OG&E for several years. He recently worked at Graham Packaging as a mechanic in the maintenance department. John was very proud that he served with the Fort Gibson Fire Department as a Firefighter and retired with over 20 years of service. He married his best friend and the love of his life, Stephani on February 18, 1995, in Collinsville, OK. They enjoyed 27 years making precious memories together. John was extremely gifted in woodworking and making beautiful pens. In his leisure time, he enjoyed watching races, playing the drums, cooking and trying new foods. He also enjoyed video games, and he loved children as Jesus loved children. He was always serving others through his church, Timothy Baptist Church in Muskogee, and through Oklahoma Baptist Disaster Relief, where he helped many families after a disaster. His life is one of character, honesty and a deep love for his family and friends. John will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved him.

He was preceded in death by his paternal grandparents, Tom and Wannette Crittenden; maternal grandparents, Willie T. and Gussie Smith; parents-in-law, Stephen and Deborah Todd; and brother-in-law, Justin Todd.

Those left to cherish John's memory are his wife, Stephani of the home;

daughter, Salani LaFave and husband, Phillip of Muskogee, OK; parents, Arthur and Velma Crittenden of Fort Gibson, OK; sister, Suzy Boling of Fort Gibson, OK; brother, Tom Crittenden and fiancé, Corie Burditt of Locust Grove, OK; nieces, Carly Boling of Tulsa, OK and Cassidy Boling of Fort Gibson, OK; and nephew, Tyler Crittenden of Yuma, AZ, extended family and many friends.

A memorial service celebrating John's life will be 11AM Friday, June 3, 2022, at Timothy Baptist Church in Muskogee with Pastor Kelly Payne officiating. Jeff Potts, Robert Marrs, Rick Hyslope, Randy Gilbert, Mike Oakley, and Stan Strickland will serve as honorary urn bearers.

The family of John David Crittenden has entrusted his care, service and cremation to Clifford D Garrett Family Funeral Home, Fort Gibson. 918-478-2555.

Online condolences may be left for the family at clifforddgarrettfamilyfh.com

Previous Events

Memorial Service

JUN 3. 11:00 AM (CT)

Timothy Baptist Church
5530 W Okmulgee
Muskogee, OK 74401

Tribute Wall



“ *John David Crittenden*

January 29, 2023 at 12:59 PM



“ *Cindy & Tom Wade lit a candle in memory of John David Crittenden*



cindy & tom wade - June 03, 2022 at 09:02 PM



“ *Amy Clinkenbeard lit a candle in memory of John David Crittenden*



Amy Clinkenbeard - June 03, 2022 at 03:14 PM



“ *Stephanie Keeton lit a candle in memory of John David Crittenden*



Stephanie Keeton - June 03, 2022 at 02:26 PM

JH

“ James Harris lit a candle in memory of John David Crittenden



James Harris - June 02, 2022 at 08:17 PM

SB

“ My home is filled with beautiful woodwork completed by John. He and Art spent a year remodeling my home and I enjoyed them so much. I remember late one evening walking into my kitchen and John was sitting on the floor putting trim on a very tight area with many angles. Very complicated but beautifully done. He had a kind spirit and you knew he loved Jesus. We have lost a wonderful man way too early. Sheri Barton

Sheri Barton - June 02, 2022 at 07:36 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of John David Crittenden.



June 02, 2022 at 11:00 AM



“ Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased for the family of John David Crittenden.



June 01, 2022 at 05:15 PM

TC

“ 4 files added to the tribute wall



Tom Crittenden - June 01, 2022 at 08:30 AM

EB

“ *Eunice Brown lit a candle in memory of John David Crittenden*



Eunice Brown - June 01, 2022 at 05:04 AM

SC

“ *Stephani Crittenden lit a candle in memory of John David Crittenden*



Stephani Crittenden - June 01, 2022 at 12:34 AM

SC

John was loving and kind and gentle!! The best husband and dad and servant on earth!! He loved SALANI and I like no other!! If anyone needed his help He was right there for them!! He was the love of my life and I am forever grateful and thankful and blessed to get to call him my love!! I love you sweetheart!! You are my hero because you fought a long hard battle like a champion!! I learned a lot from you that made me better!! You will forever be the love of my life. Please be waiting on me because I KNOW I will see you again!! Have fun in Heaven. I know you're healed and well and whole. Watch over us down here and we will see you when we get there!! I LOVE YOU!!

Stephani Crittenden - June 01, 2022 at 01:15 PM

KC

I am so sorry Stephanie. I wish I had the words to ease some of your pain. Please know you are in my thoughts and prayers. 🙏

Karen Crittenden - June 02, 2022 at 12:23 PM

KI

John was always so kind to our family. Especially during my dad's battle with cancer and to my mom. If he saw her out at lunch, he always stopped to visit and often he secretly paid her bill. There was no doubt about his servants heart, passion for the Lord, and devoted love for you and Salani. May peace be with you.

Kiki - June 03, 2022 at 02:03 AM



“ *Pretty Please was purchased for the family of John David Crittenden.*



May 31, 2022 at 09:27 PM

BC

“ *Bonnie Coy lit a candle in memory of John David Crittenden*



Bonnie Coy - May 31, 2022 at 04:04 PM

SC

“ *Sandra K Conn lit a candle in memory of John David Crittenden*



Sandra K Conn - May 31, 2022 at 11:12 AM

NT

“ *Nancy Thomas lit a candle in memory of John David Crittenden*



Nancy Thomas - May 31, 2022 at 01:01 AM

MB

“ *Midge Blue lit a candle in memory of John David Crittenden*



Midge Blue - May 30, 2022 at 09:58 PM



“ *Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of John David Crittenden.*



May 30, 2022 at 07:56 PM



“ *Bill, Sandra Coy lit a candle in memory of John David Crittenden*



Bill, Sandra Coy - May 30, 2022 at 05:13 PM



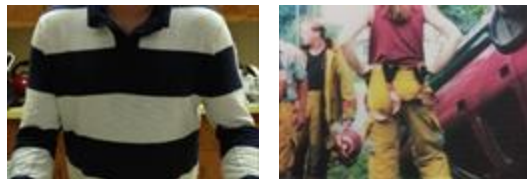
“ *Janiece Lewis lit a candle in memory of John David Crittenden*



Janiece Lewis - May 30, 2022 at 04:30 PM



“ *2 files added to the album Memories Album*



Clifford Garrett - May 30, 2022 at 04:25 PM

JA

“ *Jami Anderson lit a candle in memory of John David Crittenden*



Jami Anderson - May 30, 2022 at 01:11 AM

KI

“ *Kim lit a candle in memory of John David Crittenden*



Kim - May 30, 2022 at 12:58 AM