



## Mr. Jerry Steven Cruse

September 4, 1953 - June 24, 2021

On June 24, 2021, Jerry Steven Cruse went home to be with his Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. He was a precious husband, wonderful daddy, great brother, uncle, and friend. Most importantly, he was an amazing 'Bop'. He was our great story teller.

Jerry loved the Lord and was a wonderful servant. Jerry loved life and every person he met! He loved his family more than life itself! Wherever he went, he made sure he talked to everyone he came in contact with. He loved his church family at Golden Springs Baptist Church, Heflin Baptist Church, and Lakeview Baptist Church. He loved to fish, hunt, camp, and garden. He loved helping his children and grandson more than anything! He brought joy and fun everywhere he went! None can compare! Bop, you will be greatly missed!

He is preceded in death by his parents, Carl and Ludy Cruse.

He is survived by his wife of 47 years, Jani Cruse; his daughter, Ginger and Jason Troup; his son, Jeremy Cruse; his grandson, Rustin 'Bobcat' Roberts; his granddaughter, Brie Troup; his brother, Phil and Patricia Cruse, and numerous loving family members and friends.

A funeral service will be held on Saturday, June 26, 2021 at 3:00 pm at Golden Springs Baptist Church with Pastor Roland Brown officiating. A burial

will follow the service at Forestlawn Memorial Gardens in Anniston. The family will receive friends on the same day from 1:00 pm until the time of the service at the church.

Pallbearers will be his son, Jeremy Cruse; his grandson, Rustin Roberts; his son in law, Jason Troup; his nephews, Steven and Kyle Cruse, Mike Traywick, Jason, Josh, and Joseph Waddell.

Honorary pallbearers will be the Fulmer Sunday School Class, employees of National Gypsum Co., Friendship Automotive, Jimmy Mitchell, Charlie Estes, Rod Hendrick, Stone Hendrick, Shun Adams, Alan Robinson, Cy Wagner, Donald Jones, Dewayne Morrison, The Bobcat Mountain Boys, and the Cleburne County High School football and baseball teams.

# Cemetery Details

## Forestlawn Memorial Gardens

730 Golden Springs Rd  
Anniston, AL

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN 26. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

Golden Springs Baptist Church  
Anniston, AL

## Service

JUN 26. 3:00 PM (CT)

Golden Springs Baptist Church  
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# Tribute Wall

DS

“ *Jani and family, our thoughts & prayers are with you & your family. May God give you comfort & peace.*

*Love in Christ,  
Phillip & Debbie Simpson*

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**Debbie Simpson** - June 28, 2021 at 01:17 AM

SR

“ *Sandra Carnes Rains lit a candle in memory of Mr. Jerry Steven Cruse*



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**Sandra Carnes Rains** - June 27, 2021 at 07:06 AM

KE

“ *Whst many good times we had camping on Cheaha. Jerry always kept us laughing. He was truly your so um I mate, Janie. I know he will he greatly missed by family and friends. He was truly a very special person.*

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**Karen Edwards** - June 26, 2021 at 05:04 PM

MF

“ I'm so Sad to hear about Jerry. We grew up together on Lester St in Oxford. I'm the last one of the Bynum girls left.

Jerry was at one time my Insurance Man. I will never forget a story he told about a Little Lady had a Poodle named FiFi. He said that dog hated him and she had gone to get her purse to pay her insurance payment and FiFi was barking like crazy. He said that he took his pen and hit her on the head & she fell over. He said he thought he had killed her. He was rubbing her saying get up please get up. Said she got up and was walking around shaking her her when the lady came in the room. She asked what's wrong with FiFi and he said I don't know. He said that dog never barked at him again. Jerry could tell a story about anything and have you in Stiches.

Jerry is Home with His Mom and Dad & All My Family as well. You all are in my Thoughts and Prayers 🙏

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**Melanie Bynum Fuller** - June 26, 2021 at 03:55 PM

CG

“ I have no words that are appropriate here but I will try. This is such a great loss and will be felt for a very long time. Recently I watched “Uncle Jerry” talk with my 7 year old grandson at the haunted house. He knelt down and gladly answered all of my little guys questions about how they made the haunted house and how long it took etc. I remember thinking what a great person he was and how he touched so many people. He always made a point to speak when he saw you. I pray for strength for all of those who were close to him. This will not be easy to get past. They broke the mold when they made him. You just don't encounter too many genuine people in life any more and we were blessed to know him. If we all tried to be a little bit like “Uncle Jerry” the world would be a better place.

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**Cheryl Gamble** - June 26, 2021 at 12:33 PM

TM

“ I remember the many times I meet Jerry and Jan in the church parking lot and they would load me up with fresh produce that they had just picked from there garden . Never would they take a penny for all their hard work. That is the kind of man he was, he would rather give than receive. I know of no one that did not love and respect Jerry that is the kind of man he was. You better bet he received his reward for his good work when he stood before our Lord and heard the words We done my good and faithful servant enter into my Kingdom. Jerry with a smile on his face jumped right in , a fitting place for a good man. Your family will miss you but they have wonderful memories to think on. Tim and Patsy McCartney

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**Tim and Patsy McCartney** - June 26, 2021 at 09:28 AM

JR

“ With a lack of my biological father in my life, I appreciate good guys who are even better dads. I worked 10 seasons with Jeremy at the haunted attractions. Jerry was usually there making sure things we going good. I'll remember his story telling and what a good guy he was. My Mama went to school with Jerry. I've never heard anyone ever say anything bad about him. This world lost a good'n. Heaven's gain. Prayers & love for the Crews family.

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**JD (David) Roberts** - June 26, 2021 at 12:13 AM



“ 132 files added to the album *LifeTributes*



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**Miller Funeral Home** - June 25, 2021 at 09:42 PM

DT

“ *Jani, so sorry to hear about Jerry's passing...have had yall in my prayers...hugs love and prayers for you and family.*

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**Deborah Hubbert Thomas** - June 25, 2021 at 07:18 PM

CH

“ *I'm so sorry Jani, Ginger, and Jeremy. I know his family loved him so much. Praying for you all in the days and years to come. Much love!*

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**Caryn Hyatt** - June 25, 2021 at 04:55 PM

PN

*Jani, I'm so sorry about Jerry. I didn't realize he was sick until I heard about Ludy . I have prayed for both of them. I know how hard this is for you and your family. Please know how much I love all of you. You're all in my thoughts and prayers in the coming days , months and years because it takes awhile to come up for air but I know that Jesus has his arms wrapped around your beautiful family. I remember like yesterday the day you and Jerry told me under Ludy's carport that ya'll were getting married. I remember crying, I was happy but I sure didn't want to lose " my Jerry"! He had always been right across the street!! What a guy and a wonderful man he became!! I love you Janie!!*

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**paige nash** - June 25, 2021 at 05:24 PM



“ *Jerry was a great brother-in-law, we always enjoyed being around him and loved him, so much fun, would do anything for his friends & family, we will miss him so much. Love, Linda, Steve & Mike Traywick*

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**Linda Traywick** - June 25, 2021 at 03:14 PM