



## Craig Donald Kennedy

December 17, 1953 - December 1, 2025

Craig Donald Kennedy, December 17, 1953 - December 1, 2025, Beloved husband of 48 years to Diane (Swarts), and loving dad to Carly and the late Ryan. Son of the late Donald and Elizabeth (Smith), brother of Dale (Denise), Kevin (Linda), Barbara (Don) Chase and the late Lynn (Kenneth) Kerlin.

Survived by his brothers- and sisters-in-law, Kenneth (Marcia) Morton, Joe (Linda) Watson, many nieces and nephews, golf buddies, and numerous northern, southern and Canadian friends.

Craig (Craiger) will always be remembered for his fun spirit, sense of humor, love of golf, and his joy of firing up his smoker to feed everyone his delicious bbq meals.

In keeping with Craig's wishes, there will be no prior visitation or service. Donations in his memory may be made to Niagara Hospice (4675 Sunset Dr. Lockport NY 14094)

# Tribute Wall

LJ

“ *My Deepest Sympathy to the Kennedy Family.  
Barbara and Don and I were great friends since Childhood .  
Craig , Diane and Lynne worked at Tops on Nash Rd with myself.  
We enjoyed alot of good times together in the day!  
Kennedy's are a wonderful family and Craig will be missed by many  
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So very sorry for your loss .  
With Love and Hugs to all,  
Laura Duerr Hodgson Jagow*

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**Laura Jagow** - December 08, 2025 at 07:44 PM

JB

“ *Having known Craig for over 50+ years we have many great memories. From tops supermarket to NT slow pitch champions where Craig was the number 1 pitcher in the league. We rang in many New Years together and enjoyed tent camping while getting drunk (jungle juice) around the campfire. Craig was the best damn cook there was. In all this time we never saw him mad-he always had a great outlook on life, and always a joy to be with. He will be truly missed by all who knew him and we truly love Craig Kennedy!*

*Jim and Joanne*

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**Jim and Joanne Baker** - December 05, 2025 at 07:22 PM

CA

*I'm so glad the four of you were able to get together not too long ago ☐  
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**carly** - December 07, 2025 at 05:22 PM

HH

“ *This page is not big enough for me to say how I felt about this man.  
It sure isn't big enough for me to start telling stories.*

Henry House - December 05, 2025 at 11:47 AM

CA

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carly - December 07, 2025 at 05:21 PM

CA

*It it not big enough lol*

carly - December 07, 2025 at 05:22 PM

LP

“ *My Dearest Friend Diane*

*I am so sorry to hear about your beloved  
Craig's passing...with heartfelt sympathy and  
prayers to you and your family...may Craig  
rest in peace in the arms of the Lord!*

*Linda (Andrzejewski) Perry*

Linda Perry - December 03, 2025 at 05:25 PM



DD

*As so many did, we loved Craig deeply  
As so many feel, there are no words  
His love of his family, friends and of laughter brought so much life and  
joy to all who were lucky enough to have known him.  
Peace and eternal joy, Craiger  
And thank you  
Love to you Diane and Carley  
~ Jim and Debbie D.*

Deborah and Jim Donohoe - December 06, 2025 at 09:33 AM

JA

“ *Jeanne Allen-Brown lit a candle in memory of Craig Donald Kennedy*



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**Jeanne Allen-Brown** - December 03, 2025 at 04:06 PM

GS

“ *I met Craig and his sister Lynn at Henry House’s Horseshoe Tournament in Tyro Mississippi many years ago and immediately knew they’d both be a friend for life. For some reason (Jello Shots) I don’t remember much about that tournament itself... I’ll never forget waking up on the den floor at Henry’s the next morning, along with 7-10 others, face to face with Linnie. We weren’t a foot apart! She smiled that big smile and said “Good morning... whoever you are”!*

*Craig I’ll miss you my friend and plan to hold true to my promise to you that I’ll be at the Buffalo Tournament next year.*

*Greg Smith*



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**Greg Smith** - December 03, 2025 at 04:01 PM

LS

“ Craig and I were partners at the KerIn Beach horseshoe tournament in Collierville, Tn. He called me Linnie, like his sweet sister, Lynn. We were playing Ken and Kristen Kerlin Storz for the championship she said “Linnie, just give me 7 points and we’ll win this tourney.” I guess I couldn’t get the 7 points and we came in 2nd. The next year he dumped me for Henry House. They lost miserably. Always fun time with Craiger!

LYNN STAGGS - December 02, 2025 at 10:20 PM

KM

“ If ever there was a good ol’ boy, he was the embodiment of the term. He and his disposition embraced all he connected with over a lifetime; easy going, friendly, and engaging. We’re ALL going to miss him.

Ken Morton - December 02, 2025 at 07:30 PM

MM

Great man, champion of kindness. My golf partner in Third Ward Wednesday League.

Michael Martin - December 03, 2025 at 11:57 AM