



## David Lee Kerns

December 20, 1945 - July 30, 2015

Kerns, David Lee, age 69 of New Martinsville, WV, died Thursday, July 30, 2015 in Genesis Health Care Center, New Martinsville.

He was born December 20, 1945 in Carolina, WV, a son of the late Lucile Kerns Lemley.

He was a minister for the Church of God for over 25 years, a member of the New Martinsville Church of God and a U.S. Navy Vietnam Veteran.

He was preceded in death by his mother and step father, Gerald Lemley.

Survivors include his wife of 42 years, Linda Dennis Kerns; two sons, Jonathan David (Tamara) Kerns of Sistersville, WV and James Michael Kerns of New Martinsville; three brothers, Jerry (Peg) Lemley of Greenwood, LA, Terry (Trudy) Lemley of Carolina, WV and David Alan (Norma) Lemley of Suffolk, VA; two sisters, Judy Mancino and Becky (Greg) Simmons, both of Fairmont, WV, three beloved grandchildren, Caleb, Lucas and Abigail Kerns. Family will receive friends on Sunday 2-4 & 6-8 pm at the Grisell Funeral Home & Crematory 751 Third St. New Martinsville, where services will be held on Monday at 11:00 am with Pastor Mick Fry and Pastor Ron Wilfong officiating.

Burial will follow in Northview Cemetery, New Martinsville.

Memorial contributions may be made to: New Martinsville Church of God, 1249 N. State Route 2, New Martinsville, WV 26155.

# Cemetery Details

## Northview Cemetery

219 N. State Rt. 2  
New Martinsville, WV 26155

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG 2. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Grisell Funeral Home - New Martinsville  
751 Third Street  
New Martinsville, WV 26155  
(304) 455-1800  
<https://www.grisellfuneralhomes.com/>

## Visitation

AUG 2. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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## Funeral Service

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AUG 3. 11:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ Heart felt condolences Linda, Johnathan and Michael. Dave and I spent many wonderful times together discussing the Word and life in general I look to the day we will be reunited in heaven. May our Father grant you and the rest of the family peace and comfort.

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**Dennis Mulligan** - August 04, 2015 at 07:04 AM



“ So sorry for your loss. Read it in the paper tonight. I worked with him for years @ the e-squad and he always gave me words of encouragement. He dispatched and I did also as well as was an aide.

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**Betty Ann Thomas** - July 31, 2015 at 07:22 PM



“ Basket of Joy was purchased for the family of David Lee Kerns.



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July 31, 2015 at 01:21 PM



“ *May the love of God surround you and your family during this difficult time*

*May you come to know that the love of God is with you always,*

*May your memories of David Lee Kerns, give you peace, comfort and strength...*

*Rest now in the arms of our Lord your work on earth is complete.*

*I thank you for your service and my Freedom. You will not be forgotten.*

*My thoughts and prayers are with the family of..... US Navy Vietnam Veteran, David Lee Kerns, “A True American Hero” God Bless†*

*† Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends. John 15:13 †*



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**Cheryl Skinner, Tri-state Military Museum** - July 31, 2015 at 05:51 AM

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*Prayers & sympathy for the Kerns family.*

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**Debra King** - July 31, 2015 at 06:25 AM

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*Linda and Family. We fondly remember meeting David at the Church of God over 35 years ago. His love of Jesus was shown to us as new Christians. The Love of His Savior has sustained him through these years, and he is now in that Presence. As we think about that great meeting, we can almost hear David. Our prayer for you is that you allow the Father of compassion and the God of all comfort guide you day by day. We love you all and are thankful for the life you have led as an example of Christ. Wayne and Nancy Fetty*

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**Wayne and Nancy Fetty** - August 01, 2015 at 07:04 AM