



John C. Kerns

August 6, 1938 - December 12, 2025

John C. Kerns, age 87 of Parkersburg, WV formerly of Moundsville and a former resident of Glen Dale, WV passed away Friday, December 12, 2025 in Parkersburg, WV.

He was born August 6, 1938 in Glen Dale, WV the son of the late John A. and Sophia Gunto Kerns.

John was the owner of the former Home Electric on 7th Street in Moundsville, WV; a once active member of the Marshall County Chamber of Commerce where he received the Lifetime Achievement Award and a US Army Veteran. He was a member of the American Legion, Earl Francis Post #2 and the First Presbyterian Church in Moundsville where he served on various boards and committees.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife, Alice Reich Kerns; an infant son; and a sister, Marsha Head.

Survivors include two daughters, Donna Kerns of Moundsville and Diana (Bruce) Boston of Vienna, WV; two grandsons, Steven (Emily) Boston of South Charleston, WV and Charles Boston of Vienna; and a great grandson, Rowan.

Family will receive friends on Tuesday from 6-8pm and on Wednesday from 12noon until the time of the funeral service at 1pm at Grisells Funeral Home & Crematory, 400 Jefferson Avenue, Moundsville, WV with Rev. Alan Jeffries officiating and where the Moundsville Honor Guard will conduct military services.

Interment in Riverview Cemetery, Moundsville, WV.

Cemetery Details

Riverview Cemetery

Round Bottom Hill Rd.
Moundsville, WV

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 16. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Grisell Funeral Home
400 Jefferson Ave.
Moundsville, WV 26041

Visitation

DEC 17. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

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Funeral Service

DEC 17. 1:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Grisell Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of John C. Kerns*



Grisell Funeral Homes - December 14, 2025 at 02:52 PM

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“ *Donna, Diana and Families,*

My thoughts and prayers are with you. Your Dad always had a smile on that face and a helpful hand to offer help where ever it was needed. He was a quiet, gentle giant who loved his family and his town! Betty



Betty Duffy - December 14, 2025 at 02:35 PM



“ 55 files added to the album Life Tributes



Grisell Funeral Homes - December 14, 2025 at 02:33 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 John C. Kerns, give you peace, comfort and strength...

*Rest now in the arms of our Lord your mission on earth is complete.
I thank you for your service to our Country and my Freedom.
You will not be forgotten...*

*My thoughts
and prayers to the family of*

US Army Veteran, John C. Kerns, is “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 †

Cheryl Skinner, Tri-state Military Museum - December 14, 2025 at 11:28 AM

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“ Mandy N. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of John C. Kerns.

Mandy N. - December 13, 2025 at 05:08 PM

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“ Love, Deb, Steve , Kirstey and Steph purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of John C. Kerns.



Love, Deb, Steve , Kirstey and Steph - December 13, 2025 at 03:47 PM

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