



## Jerry Kresal

July 17, 1952 - July 14, 2014

Jerry Kresal, 61 year old resident of Onamia, MN passed away on July 14, 2014. Funeral services will be held at 11:00 A.M. on Friday, July 18, 2014 at the Shelley Funeral Chapel in Onamia, MN. Visitation will be held from 5:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M. on Thursday, July 17, 2014 at the Shelley Funeral Chapel in Onamia, MN and 1 hour prior to service on Friday. Interment will be in Foster Cemetery. Arrangements are with the Shelley Funeral Chapel of Onamia. Jerry was born on July 17, 1952 in Minneapolis, Minnesota to Harold and Betty (Jacobson) Kresal. The family moved to Onamia where he graduated from Onamia High School. Growing up he could often be found at his parent's beer joint playing the banjo in the family band. It was at "Harold and Betty's place" he started his desire and will to be a hard worker. Jerry will always be remembered for his strong work ethic and a teacher of leading by example to others. He was united in marriage to Charlotte Grant on July 5, 1985 at their residence near Princeton, MN. In 2000, Jerry and Char moved from Princeton to their new home on Mille Lacs Lake. The couple recently celebrated their 29th wedding anniversary. Jerry was an excellent dancer and loved waltzing and polka music. Jerry shared many of his passions with his son, Andrew. On the top of the list was stock car racing. Jerry raced for many years and although he drove several cars named Blue Rover, his favorite was a 6 cylinder Dodge Duster. The blue 10A (A for Angie and Andrew and 10 for their birthdays) car could be seen making laps at the Princeton Speedway. Andrew carried on his passion for racing. Every Saturday Jerry was right there in his

white pants helping and cheering Andrew on from the pits. Jerry also loved Fishing. In the winter he would take out his portable, but his proudest moment was catching that 39" Northern right off the dock in front of his home. When November rolled around Jerry could be found in the deer stand waiting for that big buck to walk by. Jerry was a friend to everyone and lived life to the fullest. His best memories are spending time with his family, especially all of his children and grandchildren.

Left to cherish his memory are his wife, Charlotte of Onamia, MN; sons, Andrew (Ashley) Kresal of Onamia, MN, Brian (Wendy) DeWitt of Ogilvie, MN; daughters, Angela (Troy) Pederson of Alexandria, MN, Suzan (Steve) Beckman of Braham, MN, Julie DeWitt of Anoka, MN, Sheri (Tony) Cole of Chatfield, MN; sister, Judy (Lonny) Palmer of Monett, MO; nephew, Chad (Buffy) Palmer of Monett, MO; 15 grandchildren, Miranda, Sam, Kruz, Klyd, Desiree, Brian, Jennifer, Brandon, Aaron, Natasha, Levi, Gia, Brianna, Kyle, Ethan; 11 great-grandchildren; 1 great-great grandson.

Jerry was preceded in death by his parents, Harold and Betty and was reunited with them when he lost his battle with cancer on July 14th, 2014 at his home.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL 17. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

LeMieur Funeral Home of Onamia  
100 North Pine  
Onamia, MN

## Service

JUL 18. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Jerry Kresal*

January 21, 2023 at 11:59 AM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Jerry Kresal.*



July 16, 2014 at 03:58 PM



“ *Jerry was a wonderful, caring man and will be missed by all. Sending prayers to ease the pain during this tough time. Special prayers for Char, Angie, and Andrew. Love, Brandon and Jill Ringer*

**Jill Ringer** - July 16, 2014 at 02:54 PM



“ *Sorry for your loss Angie, Diane Nokes (ATCC)*

**Diane Nokes** - July 16, 2014 at 08:31 AM