



Kris Kuhn

February 27, 1953 - January 1, 2024

Kristian Rene Kuhn, 70 years old of Willcox Arizona passed away on January 1, 2024, from natural causes. He is preceded in death by his Mother Shirley Louise Roth Kuhn and Father Harry Herman Allen Kuhn and a nephew, Philip Difario.

He is survived by his Wife, Elizabeth, of Willcox; Children: Kristian, Matthew, Brendan, Heather, and Colin and 2 grandsons. Sisters, Kathy Harvey of San Antonio Texas, Leni Griffiths, Indiana, Lisa Laser, New York.

Kristian was a talented musician, self-taught drummer, who did not know how to read music but could listen to a piece of music and within minutes be able to repeat it. As a youngster he played in the drum and fife corps in Boston, His hero was Buddy Rich as a youngster, learning to model his drumming skills after him.

Mr. Kuhn was a retired Registered Nurse and early in his career he worked on the trials for the clot buster-thrombolytics used commonly now that saves lives during cardiac arrest and stroke. He also worked in the ER and ICU and everyone who knows him was very proud to work with him.

Later in his career, with his first wife he moved his family out to Arizona to work with the Indian Health Service on the Navajo Reservation at Fort Defiance Arizona. This is where he began the adventure of a lifetime as this is where he met Elizabeth Jenkins, his current wife of 29 years. For him it was love at first sight, and an adventure every single day. Including: working with the Hopi for 5 years, the Navajo for 15 years; adopting wild mustangs, having

dogs for the first time in his life, re-enacting in Tombstone and Hardin, Montana (including getting killed by wild Indians during Custers Last Stand), Whale watching in San Diego, and many, many, many more

It would take a book to explain all the ups and downs Kris and his wife experienced during their lifetime together since 1995. But it was an adventure, and it was magical.

A Celebration of Life will be at 1:00 pm on Saturday, January 13, 2024, at Westlawn Chapel in Willcox.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

JAN 13. 1:00 PM (MT)

Westlawn Chapel & Mortuary Inc.
105 S Arizona Avenue
Willcox, AZ 85643
(520) 384-2413
westwx@vtc.net
<https://www.westlawnchapelmortuary.com>

Tribute Wall

JZ

“ *I'm deeply saddened to hear of your passing.
Safe journey my friend.* ”



Jan Zengel - September 20, 2024 at 11:48 AM

TO

“ *tommy&Robin lit a candle in memory of Kris
Kuhn* ”



tommy&Robin - January 13, 2024 at 03:57 PM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Kris Kuhn.* ”

January 11, 2024 at 10:04 PM

KD

“ *Sending my love and condolences. RIP Uncle Kris, I pray you have found peace now that you are reunited with grandma, grandpa and my brother, PFC Philip Diaferio.* ”

Kaitlyn Diaferio - January 11, 2024 at 03:50 PM

TY

“ I am so glad that I had the opportunity to meet and work with Kris at Crownpoint Service Unit. Kris was one of the best nurse that I've met and he was very knowledgeable, helpful and very professional. I'm glad I was able to get to know him as a colleague, friend and most of all, a great nurse, Kris had helped so many people and I'm sure, saved many lives as well. Thank you Kris for sharing your kindest heart, thoughtfulness, and most of all, your smile..., you will be missed by many, RIP our friend...

Thelda Yazzie - January 11, 2024 at 01:35 AM

AB

“ My condolences to the family of Kris Kuhn. I had the honor of working with Kris as he was a volunteer on the Hopi Nation for several ultra marathons know as the Paatuwaqatsi (Water is life) run. It was a true pleasure to work with Kris and his horses to support the needs of community members and Kris was always a real hoot. I have fond memories of working with him..
Andy Bessler

Andy Bessler - January 10, 2024 at 03:13 PM

E.

“ Esther . lit a candle in memory of Kris Kuhn



Esther Leithmanno . - January 09, 2024 at 02:38 PM

TM

“ Teresa Mills lit a candle in memory of Kris Kuhn



Teresa Mills - January 08, 2024 at 12:32 PM

JA

“ John&Susan Arbuthnot lit a candle in memory of Kris Kuhn



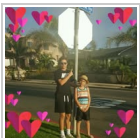
John&Susan Arbuthnot - January 05, 2024 at 12:14 PM

DF

“ Delia Franco



Delia Franco - January 04, 2024 at 02:04 PM



“ Betsy Ajeman lit a candle in memory of Kris Kuhn



Betsy Ajeman - January 04, 2024 at 06:23 AM

LT

“ *Lawrence & Angela Torres sent a virtual gift in memory of Kris Kuhn*



Lawrence Rodriguez & Angela Torres - January 03, 2024 at 04:04 PM

SK

Kris was a very kind man. I will always remember him with fond memories. So glad we found each other again after so many years. He will be missed greatly. <3

susan kircher - January 10, 2024 at 11:13 AM

RO

So terribly sad to hear this. He will be missed.

Robert - January 10, 2024 at 05:58 PM

RH

I knew Kris in two High Schools, Alabama and New York, as we were both IBM brats.

He and I took the GED test at the same time in 1973. He was a very cool guy, and his later exploits show that that didn't change. My condolences to Lisa and his other family members.

RUSTY HUBBARTH - July 17, 2024 at 09:54 AM