



Keith Morris Ritch

April 4, 1981 - January 9, 2025

Keith Ritch 43, from Dora AL passed away unexpectedly on January 9th.

He was a graduate from Corner High school in 2000.

He was a decorated army veteran who served two tours in Iraq. He graduated from Beville State Community College with an associate's degree, and He also graduated from UAB college with a bachelor's degree.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Rita Ritch, his infant brother, Mark Aaron Ritch and his grandmother, Mary Lou Quinn.

Keith is survived by his wife Thuy, and his two sons, Kayden and Max. He is also survived by his father Kenneth and stepmother Vanessa, his brothers Brandon and Richie, and his sister Kendra and stepsister, Terra.

Funeral services will be Thursday Jan. 16, 2025, at 11:00 am in the New Horizon Memorial Chapel. Rev. Ted Johnson will officiate. Burial will follow in New Horizon Memorial Gardens. Visitation is Thursday from 10-11 am.

He will be greatly missed by his family and friends.

New Horizon Memorial Funeral Home 205-648-2323

Cemetery Details

New Horizon Memorial Gardens

5203 Hollis Goodwin Rd.
Dora, AL 35062
(205) 648-8749
<http://www.newhorizonmemorial.com>

Previous Events

Service -New Horizon Memorial Chapel

JAN 16. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



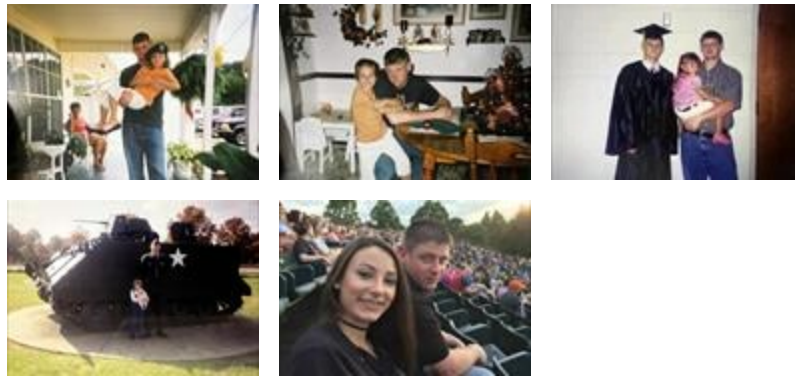
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New Horizon Memorial Funeral Home - January 16, 2025 at 09:30 AM

Kendra
Hicks

“ Keith, you were the *BEST* big brother, and I’m going to miss you so much! In almost every family photo you were always holding me or I was right by your side. You spoiled me so much growing up and I couldn’t be more grateful for that. Even though we were a blended family you always treated me like your little sister. It has been so hard knowing that you’re not here anymore, but it gives me comfort knowing that one of the last things you said about me was that you were proud of me. I’m heartbroken knowing that my child will not get to meet their Uncle Keith, but I promise that they will grow up knowing about you. Rest easy big brother. Love, Butter (the childhood nickname you gave me).



Kendra Hicks - January 16, 2025 at 09:02 AM

NH

“ Keith was my former son-in-law and we loved him a great deal. He was a wonderful person and we were very proud of him. He loved driving his tank and serving his country. Rest in peace. Another angel got his wings.

Neal and Janet Hotzel - January 15, 2025 at 07:06 PM

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Kendra Hicks (Ritch) - January 15, 2025 at 02:18 PM

MB

“ I served with Keith during his deployments he was an amazing man I will never forget him



Matthew brandt - January 15, 2025 at 12:47 PM

MB

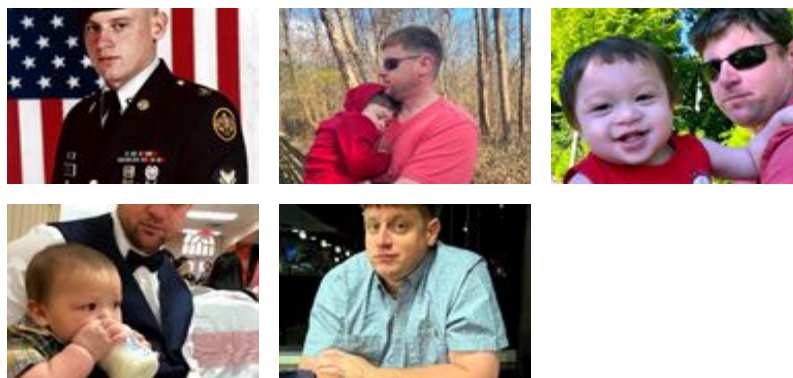
“ Matthew Brandt purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Keith Morris Ritch.



Matthew Brandt - January 15, 2025 at 12:40 PM



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New Horizon Memorial Funeral Home - January 15, 2025 at 10:52 AM

TF

“ Tran family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Keith Morris Ritch.

Tran family - January 15, 2025 at 09:09 AM

TF

“ Tran family purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Keith Morris Ritch.



Tran family - January 15, 2025 at 09:09 AM



“ I served with Keith in the army, he actually showed me how to be a tanker before we deployed to Iraq. I was there when he smashed his fingers, and he was there when I smashed my face. We both had similar reactions of laughing and then hurrying for help once we saw it wasn't a joking matter. The world seems a lot less bright right now. My heart goes out to his family. May you always remember the good times and just know if you need us, we're here.

David Munoz - January 14, 2025 at 07:43 PM

JN

“ Keith was a great guy. Always up to talk about rucking, PT, shooting or anything else.

You'll be greatly missed. Praying for your family.

Jon Norris - January 14, 2025 at 05:00 PM

LB

“ Lush Nail Bar planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Keith Morris Ritch.

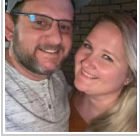
Lush Nail Bar - January 14, 2025 at 12:44 PM

LB

“ Lush Nail Bar purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Keith Morris Ritch.



Lush Nail Bar - January 14, 2025 at 12:44 PM



“ I was honored to serve with Keith in Iraq. He always had this smile in the corner of his mouth to let you know he had some shennagains on his mind. All of us who served with him are learning of this news and we all are heartbroken and send our love and prayers.

Rest easy Keith, your brother's have the watch from here. We will see you in Fiddler's Green to share a drink and laugh with each other again.

Casey Hight - January 13, 2025 at 08:40 PM



“ Keith had such an amazing sweet soul. His kindness just radiated throughout him. He would do anything for anyone. Go rest high my friend

Amy Hotzel - January 13, 2025 at 07:57 PM



“ I'm really shocked in the departure of Keith 😞
I'm colleague , working with Keith wife...(THUY)
We had meeting at home , eating BBQ together.. Keith and my boyfriend Andrew .. also had private conversations , that moment , still imprin in my mind ...
After Keith came to pick up Thuy ..in the car were to boys (Kayden & Max - 2 baby's so adorable...
I will remember you in my daily prayers .. Hope you always bless your family there .. Stay on earth.. peace !
a tight hugs ❤️

Ying Shu Juan - January 13, 2025 at 04:58 PM

RH

“ Rest Easy brother, we got it from here. Prayers to the family, he will be deeply missed.

Ricky Hawkey - January 13, 2025 at 12:56 PM

RS

“ I served with Keith in Iraq. He was a great soldier, great man and I was honored to serve with him. Rest in peace Brother. His whole army unit is learning of the news and we're heartbroken.

Rod Severance - January 13, 2025 at 08:59 AM



“ Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Keith Morris Ritch.



January 12, 2025 at 11:04 PM

BM

“ Keith was always the sweetest guy! He will be missed by so many! Rest in peace my friend. Prayers for the family.

Brandy McGowan - January 12, 2025 at 10:56 PM

Jl

“ Keith was the 1st friend I made when my family moved here when I was 12. We lived next door to him and his family. I remember MANY nights spent in their basement shooting pool, listening to music, and countless nights awake all night playing video games! I remember many days spent with my brother and his younger brother riding our bikes and skateboards ALL over Bagley! So many years of fond memories!! Even though life took us down different roads, we always stayed connected! I loved you like a brother! Deeply missed is a huge understatement!

Joseph Seth Inglett - January 12, 2025 at 06:58 PM

NH

Keith was our former son-in-law. He was a wonderful person and was proud to have served his country as he did. We were proud to call him our son and for him to be part of our family. I was so sorry to hear this. Our hearts our sad.

Neal and Janet Hotzel - January 13, 2025 at 10:34 PM