



Craig Cuthbertson

Nov. 6, 1959 - Jan. 22, 2026

Craig Cuthbertson, 66, of Bryson City, NC and Morganton, NC, passed away on Thursday, January 22, 2026. Born in Albemarle, NC on November 6, 1959, he was the son of Kenneth and Blanche Cuthbertson.

Craig owned and operated Grizzly's Leather and several other businesses in Cherokee, NC over the span of 40 years. He was an avid reader and a fan of all thing's science fiction, history and music. He was a member of the Bryson City Lions Club.

Craig is survived by his mother, Blanche; sons, Dustin and Dillon; life partner, Mary Ellen "Mellie" Davis; and four beloved grandchildren, Ruby, Nora, Connor and Ava.

A memorial service will take place at 11 a.m., Saturday, February 7, 2026 in the Colonial Chapel of Sossoman Funeral Home in Morganton, NC.

Sossoman Funeral Home and Crematory Center is assisting the family with the arrangements.

Tribute Wall

We were so sorry to hear about Craig's passing. Our prayers are with all of his loved ones. He will be greatly missed. Catie, we hope your memories of Craig will soothe your heart and comfort your soul. Much love, Tyler & Deb

—Tyler & Debbie



Craig, Thank you for all the good times we had! I know you are thoroughly enjoying seeing all of your friends and family who have passed before you. You will be missed here in this world. Love, Catherine

—Catherine Gantt



Sorry for your loss. Prayers for you and your family.

—Jay and Pam Miller



So sorry for your loss. In my prayers and thoughts.

—Wanda Barker

I loved Uncle Craig. He taught me life skills and customer service skills while working in his craft store. He loved to challenge and to be challenged. He was a very smart and funny man that knew what he liked and was straight forward in all

of his conversations. I am praying for my cousins during this time. He will be missed. Love you-Amy



I'm sorry to hear about Craig. He was a wonderful person. I went to Glen Alpine school and Freedom High School with him. Even though we lost contact, I have fond memories of him. And will always hold him in the highest of respect.

Kathy Hemphill

—Kathy Hemphill

Mary Ellen, I'm not sure what to say in the face of such a difficult loss. I just want you to know that I care about you, and I share in your sadness. Much love, Mary Ellen Banfield (cousin in NJ)

—Mary Eeen Banfied

I am so sorry to hear of Craig's passing. Much love and prayers

—Andrea Crisp