



## Russell Floyd Pierce

March 4, 1968 - May 11, 2019

Russell Floyd Pierce was born on March 4, 1968 in St. Charles, Missouri and passed away much too early on May 11, 2019 in Bakersfield, California. He was the son of Anita Pierce and grandson of Raymond and Othella Pierce. He moved to Bakersfield in 1979 and attended Foothill High School where he graduated in 1986. Immediately after graduation he joined the United States Navy where he served as a reservist for over 20 years retiring as a Chief Petty Officer. Rusty, as he was known by everyone who knew him and loved him, was a diesel mechanic and loved working on trucks at Golden State Peterbilt and Cummins West. Something he learned to do while he attended Universal Technical Institute in Phoenix, Arizona. While there he had the first of two beautiful children Jacob Steph Pierce and after moving back to Bakersfield, Avery Christine Pierce was born. Rusty's children were his world; he loved to take them camping, boating, mudding and just hanging out with them while cooking BBQ and playing cards.

Rusty was preceded in death by his mother Anita Perkins, his grandfather Raymond Pierce, his nephews Michael Brown and Matthew Fernandes. He is survived by his son Jacob Pierce, daughter Avery Pierce with fiancé David Anderson, his honorary son Andrew Pierce-Ward and his fur baby Tessa May, his sister Michelle Ludwig and brother in law Shawn Ludwig, nephews Joshua Brown, Tyler Ludwig, and Bradley Fernandes, and his step-father Guy Perkins. Russ leaves behind many family and friends who will miss him dearly

but most importantly Eddie Martin and Jerry Torres who have been his “brothers from another mother” throughout his life.

# Cemetery Details

## Bakersfield National Cemetery

30338 E Bear Mountain Blvd  
Arvin, CA 93203  
(661) 867-2250

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

MAY 22. 10:00 AM - 12:15 PM (PT)

The Old Town Chapel  
601 Niles Street  
Bakersfield, CA 93305

## Military Honors

MAY 22. 1:15 PM - 1:45 PM (PT)

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# Tribute Wall

JS

“ *Jami (Barnes) Sanner sent a virtual gift in memory of Russell Floyd Pierce*



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**Jami (Barnes) Sanner** - May 25, 2019 at 03:09 PM

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*Jami (Barnes) Sanner  
jamisanner@yahoo.com*

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**Jami (Barnes) Sanner** - May 25, 2019 at 03:11 PM

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“ *Wanted to share some comforting thoughts from the bible at Rev 21: 1-4 we can gain hope that one day God is going to do away with death and we want have to experience the pain of losing someone we love. So sorry for your loss.*

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**Lucille** - May 24, 2019 at 12:16 PM



“ *Tranquil Seas was purchased for the family of Russell Floyd Pierce.*



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May 21, 2019 at 03:45 PM

KS

“ 1 file added to the album Memories Album



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Keith Schafer - May 21, 2019 at 02:59 PM

JT

“ I still can't get over it that I never get to see again or have our heart to heart talks like we did in the past, or seeing you interact with the kids the way you could and all the great times and fun times we had. I know god was looking for more good guys and I think he got one of the best I just wish he could have waited just a while longer. I'm going to miss you RIP my brother



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jerry torres - May 21, 2019 at 01:24 PM



“ Sacred Duty Spray was purchased for the family of Russell Floyd Pierce.



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May 21, 2019 at 11:06 AM



“ *Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of Russell Floyd Pierce.*



May 21, 2019 at 08:57 AM



“ *Grandma, The Pierces' and Windes Family purchased the Simply Happy Kalanchoe Plant for the family of Russell Floyd Pierce.*



**Grandma, The Pierces' and Windes Family** - May 20, 2019 at 09:48 PM



“ *3 files added to the album Memories Album*



**Mission Funeral Home** - May 20, 2019 at 04:42 PM



*My big brother I will miss you so very much. You were the best. Give mom and dad a big hug for me 💜*

**Cissy Ludwig. (little sister)** - May 21, 2019 at 02:44 PM