

Sheriff Jeffrey C. Kidwell, Jr. (1964-2018)

Jeff was born May 12, 1964 to Newport Police Auxiliary Lieutenant Colonel Jeffrey C. and Margaret Kidwell, Sr. He graduated from Newport High School.

He worked as a manager for Tim Hogan Carpet outlet before starting his a computer business, Star Computers, in Newport in 1992.



Jeff was very interested in law enforcement and had over 1000 hours logged in the Newport Police ride-along program when, during 1995, he ran for and was elected to the position of Campbell County Constable. By 2008, he was also the Campbell County Republican Party Chairman.

Constable Kidwell ran for Sheriff in 2012 and was elected. The first thing he did was create the first procedure manual for the Office and increased the security at the courthouse. He lost the election in 2014.

By 2017, he was the director at ZoomEssence in Hebron.

Sheriff Kidwell passed away January 12, 2018 at St. Elizabeth Hospital at the age of 53.

He is preceded in death by his father Jeffery C Kidwell, and his late wife Janice K Kidwell. Jeff is survived by his mother, Margaret Kidwell; wife, Susan L. Kidwell; daughter Elizabeth (Dustin) Kendall; step-sons William (Missy) Gross and Mike (Erin) Gross; and siblings, Lenny (Mary) Kidwell and Amanda (David) Moore,

Visitation will be held 4 to 8 p.m. on Wednesday, January 17, 2018 at [Fares J. Radel Funeral Home](#), 5950 Kellogg Avenue in Cincinnati. A funeral service will be held at 10 a.m. on Thursday, January 18 at the funeral home. Burial to follow at [St. Stephens Cemetery](#).