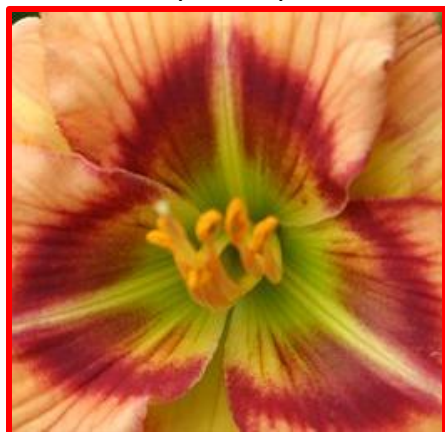


Why 'AMAZING MORRIS KIRBY' (AMK) is a great daylily. →→→→→→

AMAZING MORRIS KIRBY(Herrington,T 2007) 24 x 3.5 E Re Sev Fr.Light apricot with a cherry red eye above a vivid lime green throat which extends to yellow



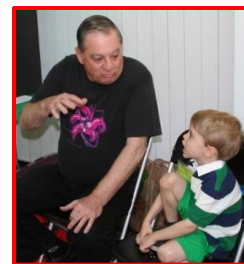
displaying red. It has 6 way branching with an average of 28 buds. The scapes are thick and very strong and named for Morris Kirby, one of Region 5's most active participants in attending daylily shows, garden tours, and region events with his wife Barbara. Though visually impaired, he can manage the tasks of daily living and having a daylily garden. **AMK's** greatest feature is its total garden performance. Here are some other areas that are distinctive; overall color intensity, the deep colored veining, the green throat, the different colors on the pistil and stamens, its reblooming habits and the 1/4" phantom or shadow band between the red eye and green throat found on the sepals which is demonstrated in the eye

pattern close-up picture at the top left of this page. Notice the small darker vein in the center of the midribs surrounded by a lighter color which you can easily see as the midrib begins its journey to the end of the sepals. Most of the time the shadow eye and area in the midrib has some tiny stipling. This is the area I wanted to explore to further enhance that effect on its kids while maintaining the great traits **AMK** possessed with a goal of getting the stipling effect more intense in the shadow eye. The red veining in the yellowish shadow eye stands out and next to the red eye there also is some tiny stipling. I also wanted to set my sights on that area to enlarge with a bigger green throat.

Below **AMK** has produced 2 super kids so far;(L) '**Pepperoni Man**' {Amazing Morris Kirby x (Hat's Off To Sue x Mayor of Munchkinland)} and (R) '**Halloween Green**' (Green Rainbow x Amazing Morris Kirby).



'**Pepperoni Man**' takes up its blooming habits from **AMK** and is described as salmon orange with a red eye and veining with a green throat. The name was selected by Hans Herrington who adores **AMK** as a daylily & great person. He also likes to eat Pepperoni Pizza. Both are pictured to the right at a daylily show talking in



2013.'**Halloween Green**' features red, orange and green colors. It is described as orange with a triangular red eye and intense green throat and got its name because it was reblooming close to Halloween one year.



Here is a pinkish grandchild of **AMK** and will be released in 2020. The cross is {Portrait in Green x Halloween Green}. Of particular interest is the midribs like mentioned above and a larger green throat. But what is special is the stipling in the midribs that breaks the plane of the eye along with the stipling next to the bottom part of the eye leading in to the throat. It took the second generation from **AMK** to achieve that effect which was a hybridizing goal. The darker vein in the center of the midrib comes straight from **AMK**. That is also distinction. Hybridizing is fun and I firmly believe the first prerequisite in taking a step in the right direction is to take a step in some direction. **AMK** was definitely the right direction!!!

Tim Herrington