



Master Marty Robbins, a lifelong resident of Crossville, Tennessee, has dedicated more than four decades to the study, practice, and teaching of martial arts. Master Robbins holds the rank of 7th Degree Black Belt (Shichidan) and currently serves as co-owner and head instructor of the Crossville Isshinryu Karate Academy (CIKA).

His martial arts journey began in the early 1980s under Master Art Palmer (Hachidan), leading to his black belt and assistant instructor status in 1989. He was promoted to Rokudan (6th Degree) in 2013 and to Shichidan (7th Degree) in 2022. He has since earned widespread recognition for his excellence in both kata and kumite, including two-time IKA Competitor of the Year, Multiple-time IKA Kata and Kumite Points Champion, and Isshinryu Hall of Fame Competitor of the Year.

Beyond karate, Master Robbins is a journeyman-level professional boxer with 72 professional fights, a blue belt in Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu, and a Certified RYT 200 Yoga Instructor. His commitment to lifelong learning and physical discipline is evident in his diverse training, which also includes weightlifting (especially kettlebells), hiking, and mountain biking.

Professionally, he is employed as a mechanic at Crossville Ceramics, where he brings the same focus and integrity that define his martial arts instruction. Despite a demanding schedule, he prioritizes time with his daughter, Tori Robbins, and grandson, Jaxon, who are the center of his personal life.

Master Robbins is deeply committed to the future of Isshinryu Karate. His greatest aspiration is to inspire and mentor the next generation of martial artists, ensuring that the values and traditions of the art continue to thrive.