



Michael Patrick Kenney

November 27, 1960 - December 30, 2019

Michael “Mike” Patrick Kenney, 59 year old resident of Siloam Springs, Arkansas, entered the arms of his Loving Father after a valiant fight with cancer on December 30, 2019. Mike was born on November 27, 1960 in Evanston, Illinois to Robert and Trudy Kenney. In 1973, the family moved to Siloam Springs from Nilus, Illinois. Mike graduated from Siloam Springs High School in 1978. He attended John Brown University and while there, he became the announcer for John Brown University Basketball games and Siloam Springs High School Football games at KUOA. Mike was a member of the John Brown University and Siloam Springs High School golf teams. He graduated from John Brown University with a Bachelor’s of Science Degree in Broadcast and Communications. Mike married his love, Barbara Busse, on May 17, 1986 in Siloam Springs. He worked at KUOA as program director from 1980-1986. He worked at Allen Canning Company for 28 years and Bonduelle for 2 years. Michael loved spending time with his family, and treasured his grandchildren that called him “Granddaddy.”

Mike was an avid golfer, spending a lot of time at Dawn Hill and Siloam Springs Country Club courses. He coached his children’s softball, baseball, and football teams. Mike was a member and volunteer for the Siloam Springs High School Booster Club in volleyball and football. He had a strong relationship with his Lord and was a member of Sager Creek Community Church.

Mike began his career in public service in 1992, when he was elected to the Siloam Springs Board of Directors and served on the Board until 2000. In 1999, Governor Mike Huckabee appointed him to serve on Outdoor Recreation Grants Advisory Committee. He served on the Siloam Springs Regional Hospital Board from 2000-2002. Mike was elected as the State Representative for District 87 from 2002-2008, where he served on multiple committees. From 2006 -2008, he served as chairman of the House Education Committee.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Robert and Trudy Kenney.

He is survived by his wife, Barbara; children, Malloreay Thompson and husband Branton, Meghan Layman and husband David, and Sean Kenney, all of Siloam Springs; two grandchildren, EllaMae and Baruch; sisters, Lisa Beegle and husband George of Siloam Springs, and Susan Juillerat of Gentry, Arkansas; and a host of family and friends.

Memorial services will be 2:00 p.m., Saturday, January 4, 2020 at Sager Creek Community Church with Pastor Jim Henderson officiating. Burial will follow at Oak Hill Cemetery in Siloam Springs. Visitation will be from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., Friday, January 3, 2020 at Wasson Funeral Home in Siloam Springs. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Sager Creek Community Church, 1010 S. Maxwell, Siloam Springs, AR 72761, or Circle of Life Hospice, 901 Jones Road, Springdale, AR 72762.

Cemetery Details

Oak Hill Cemetery

2122 W. University St.
Siloam Springs, AR 72761

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 3. 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM (CT)

Wasson Funeral Home
441 U.S. 412
Siloam Springs, AR 72761
(479) 524-5131
wasson@wassonfuneralhome.com
<https://www.wassonfuneralhome.com>

Service

JAN 4. 2:00 PM (CT)

Sager Creek Community Church
1600 Cheri Whitlock Dr.
Siloam Springs, AR 72761

Tribute Wall



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Michael Patrick Kenney.* ”



January 03, 2020 at 02:05 PM



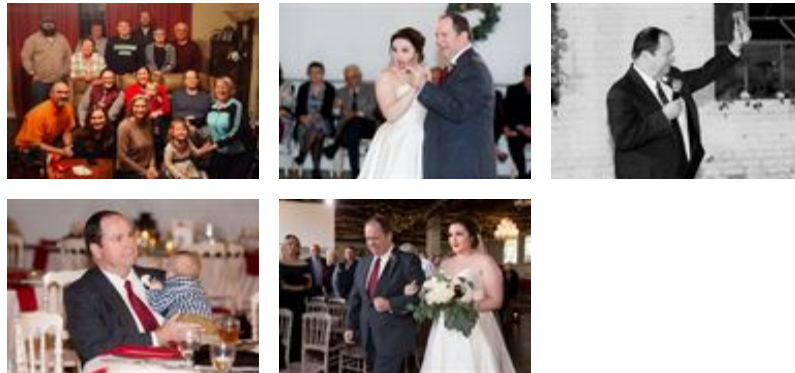
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Wasson Funeral Home - January 03, 2020 at 01:05 PM



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Wasson Funeral Home - January 03, 2020 at 11:56 AM



“ *Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased for the family of Michael Patrick Kenney.*



January 02, 2020 at 02:41 PM



“ *I will forever be grateful for the way Mike treated me during my time at JBU. He was a great friend and one person who impacted me a lot. Taking me to my first Razorback basketball game at Barnhill arena was incredible and having Thanksgiving dinner with his family was priceless. Our thoughts and prayers to Barb and family.*

Jim Tuls - January 01, 2020 at 01:41 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Michael Patrick Kenney.*



January 01, 2020 at 01:40 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Michael Patrick Kenney.*



December 31, 2019 at 03:35 PM



“ *Barb:*

So sorry for your loss. We always appreciated Mike's warm smile and kind heart. He had a way of sharing encouraging words. Know that you are being upheld in prayer.

Darrin for the Coon family.

Darrin E. Coon - December 31, 2019 at 02:23 PM



“ *Liz Reading lit a candle in memory of Michael Patrick Kenney*



Liz Reading - December 31, 2019 at 06:32 AM

SL

“ He was always a gentleman. It's was a pleasure & honor to have served with him. Condolences & prayers for his loved ones.

Sen. Randy Lavery - December 30, 2019 at 11:51 PM

HR

“ Barbara, I am so very sorry to hear of Mike's passing. You all were always so kind when me and Bruce would run into you all. If I can do anything for you and your family, please do not hesitate to let me know.

Heather Rutherford - December 30, 2019 at 05:36 PM

BS

“ Belinda Londagin Shetlar lit a candle in memory of Michael Patrick Kenney



Belinda Londagin Shetlar - December 30, 2019 at 03:32 PM

TE

“ We are truly grateful for Mike's life and positive influence in our community and state. He was always a gentleman and was respected by so many. Our deepest condolences to the family during this difficult time. "To be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord." No greater promise. God bless and keep you.

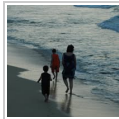
Tim and Tricia Estes

Tim Estes - December 30, 2019 at 01:29 PM

JC

Mike was our friend and co-worker at Allen Canning Co. Our Foodservice Department was like family and Mike was one of our "brothers"! There are so many wonderful memories from our days at work and in our community. We will miss you buddy! In the meantime, we will "get crackin" and continue to love our work family and your personal family. Rest In Peace my friend. We will see you again! God promises!

Jerry Cavness - December 30, 2019 at 03:41 PM



I worked at R & R foodservice for 28 years and we represent Allen Canning and I took the foodservice orders for Allen. I always enjoyed working with Mike, he was a gentleman and always kind to me. mso sorry to hear about his illness and passing. prayers for the family..Phyllis Walden

Phyllis Walden - January 01, 2020 at 08:28 PM

TD

I represented Allen Canning Co. as their Middle Tennessee Foodservice broker for 42 years until I retired 3 years ago. I worked with Mike on and off for his entire tenure there. Mike and I have kept in touch for the last 3 1/2 years as we both battled cancer. I will miss our conversations and miss Mike. He was both a true gentleman as well as a good friend. He fought cancer with a positive attitude. My thoughts and prayers go out to his wife, Barbara, and to his family.
Tom DeMoss

Tom DeMoss - January 02, 2020 at 08:03 PM



I worked with Mike for about 2 years at Bonduelle. Although we seldom met in person, we called each other many times to share good and bad news. We developed a very nice relationship, although I was in Montreal and he was in Fayetteville. He fought illness for 2 years and, sadly, it got the better of him. But over and above religion, politics, and everything else that sometimes may bring passionate discussions between friends, above all that one thing remains, that Mike was a good man, as simple as that. Condolences and courage to the family

Christian Chevrier - January 03, 2020 at 08:46 AM