



Michael Riggs

June 15, 1975 - September 4, 2007

Michael "Mike" Lee Riggs, 32-year-old resident of Gentry, Arkansas, died Tuesday, September 4, near Decatur, Arkansas. Born June 15, 1975, in Siloam Springs, he was the son of Howard Lee Riggs and Caroline Sue Skaggs Riggs. A lifetime resident of Gentry, he graduated from Gentry High School in 1993. He was a maintenance supervisor at Simmons Foods. He enjoyed playing golf, fishing, and riding motorcycles. He was a veteran of the United States Air Force having served during the Gulf War. Survivors include one son, Clayton Riggs of Gentry; two daughters, Kyla Riggs and Ashlyn Riggs, both of Gentry; his parents, Howard and Caroline Riggs of Gentry; two sisters, Shelly Reid of Gentry, and Kimberlee Morgan of Gravette; his paternal grandmother, Minnie Coleen Davidson of Gentry; and his maternal grandparents, Kenneth and Norma Skaggs of Gentry. Visitation will be held Thursday, September 6, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. at Wasson Funeral Home. Funeral services will be Friday, September 7, at 1:00 at Wasson Chapel in Siloam Springs, Arkansas, with Pastors Jim Whisenant and Steve Shinn officiating. Burial will be in Gentry Cemetery in Gentry, Arkansas.

Tribute Wall

AC

“ Howard, Caroline, Shelly & Kim. I was so blessed to have Mike as a part of my life. I Love and Miss him dearly. He was an extraordinary man who loved his children. Mike was full of ambition he lived his life to the fullest. He was taught me a lot in life, the one thing I will always remember is Mean what you say and do what you say your going to do because he did. I thank God for letting us cross paths.

Andrea Cochran - September 19, 2012 at 12:03 PM

NE

“ Howard, Caroline, Kyla, Ashlyn, Clayton, Shelly, and Kim our thoughts and prayers are with you in this time of need. Mike was a great father, son, brother and friend his memories will forever live on.... No words can ease the pain of losing someone so special and wonderful. In time God does heal. Mike will forever be your big ANGEL watching over you with love in his heart and a smile on his face, for getting the chance to share his life with the people that loved him so.... God Bless You All.

Nani Escobar - September 19, 2012 at 12:03 PM

JM

“ Pepe, that is what we called each other. You are the bestest friend that I have ever had, you taught me so many wonderful things. You taught me about golf and fishing things that I thought I would never enjoy, but I truly did when I had my best friend beside me. I will never ever forget you. Your legacy will forever live in my heart, no words can ever explain how much I will miss you.
Pepe... I love you!!!
Your friend,
Pepe (Julio)

Julio C Maury-Escobar - September 19, 2012 at 12:03 PM

LH

“ Howard & family--I am so sorry to hear of your loss. May your memories & God's love bring you comfort at this difficult time. All of your family is in my prayers.

Lana Hurt - September 19, 2012 at 12:03 PM

PT

“ Caroline & Howard,

We are thinking about ya'll. Know this is a tough time for you & all of your family. Let me know if anything we can ever do. Keep you in our prayers.

Philip Taylor & family

Philip Taylor - September 19, 2012 at 12:03 PM

AD

“ My heart and prayers go out to all of the family. Loss is so hard to deal with, but time will turn the hurt into wonderful memories. Leslie--Call me anytime you need someone to talk to!!

Amy (Rutherford) Dunlap - September 19, 2012 at 12:03 PM

AT

“ one of the memories I have of Michael was that we played baseball together. We were just kids then but he sure enjoyed the game. I went to school with Michael ever since I can remember. He will be greatly missed and my heart and prayers go out to the family. God bless you and look to him in heaven for comfort in this time of sorrow and need. If you need anything please feel free to contact me. Audie Tyler.

Audie Tyler - September 19, 2012 at 12:03 PM

KE

“ I am so sorry to hear about Michael and i'm sorry I won't be able to attend the funeral, but want you to know you are all in my thoughts and prayers.

Kathy Eaves Evans

Kathy Eaves Evans - September 19, 2012 at 12:03 PM

VJ

“ Our very deepest sympathy in your loss. Please know all my thoughts and prayers are with all of you today. So sorry I couldn't be there for you. All my love to you all. Linda and Vernon Jones.

Vernon and Linda Jones - September 19, 2012 at 12:03 PM

RP

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with your family.

Rex and Marilyn Pruner - September 19, 2012 at 12:03 PM

FF

“ My prayers are with the entire family. May God be with you and help you through this difficult time.

Flora Forrest - September 19, 2012 at 12:03 PM

JB

“ Our Thoughts and Prayers are with you.
In times like these words are not enough to help ease the pain. Our prayer is that God will give you peace and bring good memories that will ease the pain.

James & Joyce Bradley

James & Joyce Bradley - September 19, 2012 at 12:03 PM

JB

“ *What a joy to have known Mike. I enjoyed working with him so much. My husband & I also knew him from Watts First Baptist Church and when we heard of his passing it grieved us so. He was a great Father to his children and he loved them so much. We will miss his wonderful smile and the fun that we had while working together. I know that Mike is with Jesus and my prayers for you, the family, are to remember him and the great times you had. You will continue to see Mike in his Children as they grow. May God Bless you all.*

Judi Bradshaw - September 19, 2012 at 12:03 PM

EE

“ *May God bless your family in this time. You are in our thoughts and prayers.*

Erin Harper & Chancey Edmondson - September 19, 2012 at 12:03 PM

MP

“ *You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers. May god be with you in this time of need.*

Michelle Phillips-Forrest - September 19, 2012 at 12:03 PM

ER

“ *Caroline and Family,
I wish I could say just the right words to ease the pain, but I know I cannot. Please know that you are in my thoughts and prayers.
Erin Rowbotham*

Erin Rowbotham - September 19, 2012 at 12:03 PM

KS

“ All my famiy can do for your family is pray. I know that the strength from GOD is enough for us all even in your pain he is there.

Ken & Vickie Shields - September 19, 2012 at 12:03 PM

JT

“ Dear Caroline & Family,
Thinking of you at this time & holding you very gently in my heart.

Much love, Joanne Taylor

Joanne Taylor - September 19, 2012 at 12:03 PM

BM

“ Watching Mike grow up he was always so quiet until he had something to say and many times then he was so funny! He had a great smile. Blessings upon his children, parents and sisters. We will continue praying for each of you.

Bill and Michal Montgomery - September 19, 2012 at 12:03 PM

JR

“ I had the pleasure of being Mike's supervisor before he became one. Mike was a great friend and he will be missed. Mike had the ability to keep you laughing and was a great leader at work. During a recent trip to Branson Mike expressed his love and devotion to his kids and my prayers are with them and the rest of Mike's family in your time of grief.

Jerry Rice - September 19, 2012 at 12:03 PM