



Michael "Mike" A. Nelson

August 21, 1969 - October 29, 2020

Mike A. Nelson, 51 year old resident of Swanville, MN, passed away on Thursday, October 29, 2020 at his residence. A funeral service will be held at 11:00 A.M. on Thursday, November 5, 2020 at the Shelley Funeral Chapel in Little Falls, MN with Rev. Keith Thompson officiating. Burial will take place in Bearhead Cemetery in Pillsbury, MN. A visitation will be held from 4-7 P.M. on Wednesday and from 10-11 A.M. on Thursday at the Shelley Funeral Chapel in Little Falls, MN. There will be a luncheon and celebration of life for Mike to follow the burial at the Sobieski Community Center. Arrangements are with the Shelley Funeral Chapel in Little Falls, MN.

Mike was born on August 21, 1969 in St. Paul, MN to Roger and Diane (Sharon) Nelson. He attended school in Royalton, MN where he graduated with the Class of 1987. While in High School, Mike participated in FFA and he competed in the state conference. Mike was united in marriage to Lisa Gradin on February 10, 2013 in Swanville, MN. He was a self-employed carpenter for many years doing roofing, siding and other carpentry work. Mike enjoyed collecting antiques, guns and doing woodworking. He was an avid outdoorsman that found time to hunt wild game and agates. Mike loved taking trips to the North Shore and was a history trivia buff. He was a member of the Sobieski Lions Club and always enjoyed a good cocktail. Mike was an amazing grandfather and will be forever missed by many.

Mike is survived by wife, Lisa Nelson of Swanville, MN; parents, Roger and Diane Nelson of Little Falls, MN; children, Meghan (Todd) Waldoch of Cushing, MN, Maranda Nelson of Royalton, MN and Mitchell Nelson of Fort Ripley, MN; step-children, Jennifer (Myron) Kottschade of Burtrum, MN and Brittney Walter of Swanville, MN; grandchildren, Drake Waldoch, Lillian Waldoch, Mack Kottschade, and Mason Kottschade; sister, Darla (Frank Sterzinger) Nelson of Eagan, MN; previous wife, Vicki Johnston of St. Joseph, MN; nephew, Trevor Sterzinger; and beloved dog, Felina.

Mike was preceded in death by grandparents, Bud & Lorraine Sharon and Wilbur & Alice Nelson and step-son, Matthew Walter.

Cemetery Details

Bearhead Cemetery

Pillsbury, MN

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 4. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

LeMieur Funeral Home of Little Falls
214 2nd Street SE
Little Falls, MN

Visitation

NOV 5. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

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Funeral Service

NOV 5. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Lemieur Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of Michael "Mike" A. Nelson*



Lemieur Funeral Homes - November 02, 2020 at 03:31 PM

BK

Beautiful!!!!

Becca and Joe kestner - November 02, 2020 at 06:39 PM



“ *Michael "Mike" A. Nelson*

January 21, 2023 at 11:59 AM

GN

“ *Lisa, Roger and Diane and family you have our deepest sympathy for your loss. Gary and Jill Nelson*

gary nelson - November 09, 2020 at 12:08 AM

KS

“ *Lisa, I am so so sorry for your loss! Know you are in my prayers. With my sympathy, Kathy Schlenz*

kathy schlenz - November 04, 2020 at 01:30 PM

DF

“ Love and prayers to my cousin's The Sharon family in this sad time!
May God give you peace.... sincere sympathy to spouse, children
and extended family as well! Deb & Lee

Deb Fearing - November 03, 2020 at 09:00 PM

CL

“ our sympathy,prayers and love on the families
devastating loss
Dianne and Charlie Ledbetter



Charlie and Dianne Ledbetter - November 03, 2020 at 01:03 PM



“ Clare Tomczak lit a candle in memory of
Michael "Mike" A. Nelson



Clare Tomczak - November 03, 2020 at 11:44 AM

DZ

“ Diane Zalasin lit a candle in memory of
Michael "Mike" A. Nelson



Diane Zalasin - November 03, 2020 at 09:54 AM

MR

“ *Mary Jo Retka lit a candle in memory of Michael "Mike" A. Nelson*



Mary Jo Retka - November 03, 2020 at 05:46 AM

MH

“ *Lisa I am SO sorry...sending love.*

marla horejsi - November 02, 2020 at 07:07 PM

JL

“ *Halloween was not the same without Mike. He was always very generous to my kids. He was a true character who I genuinely enjoyed BSing with. I will miss seeing him around. Condolences to Mike's loved ones.*

John Lindemann - November 02, 2020 at 06:08 PM

LP

“ *Linda Paycer lit a candle in memory of Michael "Mike" A. Nelson*



Linda Paycer - November 02, 2020 at 05:37 PM

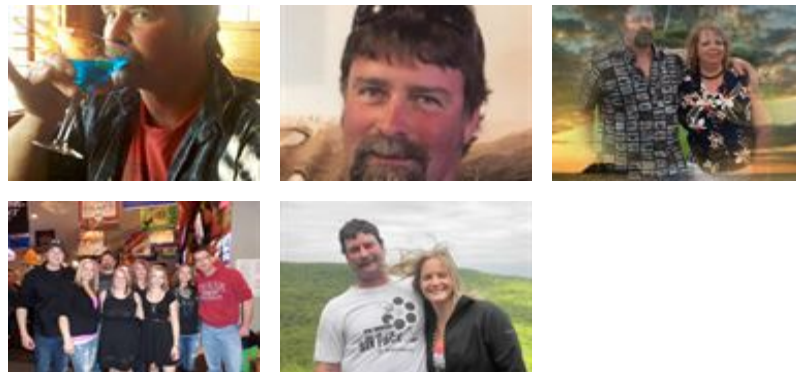
MA

“ *I am sorry for your loss! God Bless the family!*

Marilyn Fischer Anderson - November 02, 2020 at 05:21 PM



“ 58 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Lemieur Funeral Homes - November 02, 2020 at 03:30 PM

DG

“ Dana Gallus lit a candle in memory of Michael "Mike" A. Nelson



Dana Gallus - November 02, 2020 at 01:40 PM

MB

“ Michael Barnes lit a candle in memory of Michael "Mike" A. Nelson



Michael Barnes - November 02, 2020 at 01:34 PM

JH

“ *Julie Hollermann lit a candle in memory of Michael "Mike" A. Nelson*



Julie Hollermann - November 02, 2020 at 11:43 AM

BD

“ *Roger and Diane and family, I am so sorry for your loss. I am lifting you up in prayer. I ask our Father to strengthen and comfort you. My heart breaks for you. Love you.*

Bernadette C Dolney - November 02, 2020 at 10:01 AM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Michael "Mike" A. Nelson.*



November 01, 2020 at 01:00 PM

PC

“ *Pam Czech lit a candle in memory of Michael "Mike" A. Nelson*



Pam Czech - November 01, 2020 at 10:29 AM

EY

“ *Lisa an Mikes family our sympathy's to all*



Eric& Dianne Johnson, Tom Yasgar - October 31, 2020 at 06:05 PM

GO

“ *Goff & Susan Ogaard lit a candle in memory of Michael "Mike" A. Nelson*



Goff & Susan Ogaard - October 31, 2020 at 02:27 PM

DA

“ *Darrell & Anna lit a candle in memory of Michael "Mike" A. Nelson*



Darrell & Anna - October 31, 2020 at 10:50 AM

AZ

“ *Amelia Zehowski lit a candle in memory of Michael "Mike" A. Nelson*



Amelia Zehowski - October 31, 2020 at 10:28 AM

KB

“ *Kim Barnes lit a candle in memory of Michael "Mike" A. Nelson*



Kim Barnes - October 31, 2020 at 08:37 AM

LF

“ *Louise And Mike Frank lit a candle in memory of Michael "Mike" A. Nelson*



Louise and Mike Frank - October 31, 2020 at 02:52 AM

HP

“ *Dear Lisa and Mike's family, I'm so sorry for the pain you must be feeling. He was much too young.*

Helen Pfeffer - October 30, 2020 at 09:05 PM

RM

“ *I always had fun at auctions with him he was a good competition and told me if you want it just get it. Lisa my school classmate friend I amso sorry you have to go through this again. Blessings my friend and Mike rest easy.*

R Marx - October 30, 2020 at 05:49 PM

JC

“ Our deepest sympathy Lisa and Family. Barb and Jim Cluka



Jim and Barb Cluka - October 30, 2020 at 05:11 PM

AB

“ Aimee Brask lit a candle in memory of Michael "Mike" A. Nelson



Aimee Brask - October 30, 2020 at 02:47 PM

KH

“ Kelly Harris lit a candle in memory of Michael "Mike" A. Nelson



Kelly Harris - October 30, 2020 at 01:46 PM

DN

“ Lisa, my sympathy to you. My prayers are with you daily. Stay healthy. Darlene Nix

Darlene Nix - October 30, 2020 at 01:00 PM

HD

“ Mike you were a great neighbor to us. You’ve taken our daughter to school when you saw her walking in the cold. You’ve shared some incredible toys with our little boy whose loved them all dearly. You’ve let us use your picnic table at a moments notice for gatherings. You have also helped keep the rabbits in check. We always enjoyed learning about the collectable items in your little museum in the garage. We will miss you!

Heather Dickinson - October 30, 2020 at 10:07 AM

SG

“ Scott And Sheila Gardner sent a virtual gift in memory of Michael "Mike" A. Nelson



Scott and Sheila Gardner - October 30, 2020 at 09:32 AM

LJ

“ My deepest sympathy Lisa and family.



Lorraine Janski - October 30, 2020 at 09:14 AM

CN

“ My sweet nephew Michael..... I'll miss u sooo much. U and your sister were like my lil brother and sister when u guys were up on weekends when u were kids. You've gone way too soon....love you. Your with your grandparents now,who loved u so much. Aunt Cindy

cindy Nelson - October 30, 2020 at 08:22 AM

LJ

My deepest sympathy Lisa and family.

Lorraine Janski - October 30, 2020 at 09:10 AM

RW

So sorry Lisa and family

rebecca wotzka - October 30, 2020 at 10:41 PM

SN

“*Lisa, Roger and Diane, Darla and families, you have my deepest sympathy. You are in my prayers.*”



Sandy Nelson - October 30, 2020 at 08:03 AM