



Michael Kent Lee

November 17, 1951 - August 3, 2023

MICHAEL KENT LEE, age 71, passed from this life on Thursday, August 3, 2023, at home surrounded by his wife and children. He was born on November 17, 1951, in Salt Lake City, UT to Malcolm Warde Lee and Verna Love Beardshall. Michael married his sweetheart Kathleen Eva Burrows in the Salt Lake Temple on December 6, 1973. They were able to enjoy more than 50 years together.

Michael was raised in Sugar House, Salt Lake City, UT. He graduated from Granite High School in 1970. After his mission, he attended BYU, but then graduated Cum Laude from the University of Utah in 1979. With the draft for the Vietnam War looming, Michael was able to join the ranks of the Army Reserves to serve his country. He served as an Engineering Generator Operator/Repairer and later served in the Utah National Guard with the 142nd MI (military intelligence) unit as an Army Intelligence Interrogator. He was very patriotic during his life and so grateful for the freedom he enjoyed in the United States of America.

He served a mission for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints in Japan. His testimony of Jesus Christ and His Atoning Sacrifice was deep, and he was an amazing example of church service as he served in many capacities. He taught his children to love the Lord and serve others.

His work life in computers often had him traveling around the country and world as well as moving his family to Tennessee, Florida, and eventually to Oakley, UT in 1989. He retired from NuSkin Enterprises as the IT Director over Global Infrastructure in December 2017 and moved to St. George, UT.

He loved raising his children in the mountains and teaching them to love the outdoors and animals. Fishing and wildlife viewing were some of his favorite activities. The Woodland cabin and Yellowstone were some of his favorite places. All dogs within his influence, as well as the many farm animals including the stray and orphaned animals he'd rescue from the roadsides, couldn't resist his "Dog Whisper".

He will be remembered for his scary stories that earned him the name of Grandpyre, his Christmas and holiday traditions, always being a prankster, his love for electronic gadgets, and being able to fix anything that was broken. He was a man that you could always count on for advice, help, and being a quiet, strong supporter. His wife, children, and grandchildren always knew they were loved and cared for completely. He will be deeply missed but his sense of humor and pranks will live on through his children and grandchildren.

Michael is survived by his sweetheart, Kathleen, and his ten children and spouses: Michelle (Tom), Michael (Ginger), Brett (Meredith), Bart (Allison), Benjamin (Brooke), Jacqueline (David), Jedediah (Megan), Amanda (Trent), Matthew (Sierra), and Abigail (Tim) and 47 grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his grandson, Tommy.

Memorial Services will be held on Thursday, August 10, 2023, in Woodland, UT. Viewing will be held from 10:30 - 11:30am followed by funeral services at 12:00pm.

Watch via Zoom

<https://zoom.us/j/97830662407>

Cemetery Details

Woodland Cemetery

East State Highway 35
Kamas, UT

Previous Events

Viewing

AUG 10. 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM (MT)

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints
4219 S 2800 E St
Woodland, UT 84036
(385) 419-1153

Funeral Service

AUG 10. 12:00 PM (MT)

Woodland LDS Chapel
4219 S. 2800 E.
Woodland, UT

Tribute Wall



“ *Serenity Funeral Home of Southern Utah created a Webcast in memory of Michael Kent Lee*



Serenity Funeral Home of Southern Utah - August 07, 2023 at 01:31 PM

BT

“ *Mike was always so kind, funny, loving, intelligent, respectful, and my dear friend. I “adopted” Mike & Kathy many years ago!! They are my friends....my family ...and I love them dearly. I will miss your smile, your laugh, your silliness...You jumping around the corner, scaring me & nearly giving me a heart attack. You shooting me with little nerf guns...then providing me with my own so I could fire back. 😊 I miss the Christmas tree we had in the office for several seasons after....decorating accordingly. Mike always appreciated lots of Christmas trees...and don't forget about Halloween, & 'pizza in the graveyard'.*

Oh Mike, you have blessed my life more than I could ever say. I am eternally grateful for you and love you so much!!!

Beth Thorpe - August 10, 2023 at 12:41 PM

BC

“ Mike, you are like a brother to me. We had so many good times over the years, both at work, traveling, and just enjoying life. So many stories: making ourselves ill at a sushi buffet, short-sheet"rocking" your office, Beth and I traveling with you and Kathy. I don't know anything will top the day you came in with "war wounds" from a hornets' nest, having gone to battle with a vacuum cleaner, duct tape, coat and a helmet. While that didn't end so well, the story that resulted was a memory I will never forget. Any time I think I hear a cell-phone ringing in the ceiling, or have an unexplainable practical joke played, I will know you are still having fun. Miss ya!!

Love you, my brother!!

Brian Crandall - August 10, 2023 at 12:19 PM

 Jim Frary

“ Mike, you are an important part of my earthly existence. Thank you my dear friend for creating a work environment that blessed so many people and created a safe place to work and feel loved. God bless, and may we all honor your ability to love others and create lasting eternal relationships.

-j

Jim Frary - August 09, 2023 at 07:13 PM

RS

“ I miss all the good times working with you for so many years. God be with you and your family. I will never forget the battle with the bees or hornets or whatever they were that invaded you that one time. Crazy. See you again on the other side.

Ron Stamm - August 08, 2023 at 03:46 PM

TW

“ *We are so sad to hear of the loss of such a kind and loving friend. We love your family dearly! We will continue to pray for peace and Heavens blessings to surround all of you.*
Love the Gene and Teri Wilkinson family

Teri Wilkinson - August 07, 2023 at 08:45 PM