



Mike (Mikie) Layne Jepson

September 9, 1960 - October 27, 2015

On October 27, 2015, Mike Layne Jepson (Mikie) passed away with family and many friends by his side after fighting a great fight.

Mike was born to Orva Richins and Layne Walton Jepson September 9, 1960, in Cedar City, UT. He was a twin to Pat Jepson. He and Mike have an everlasting bond that heaven can't take away. Mike grew up in Hurricane Utah – the most wonderful place on earth. His great-grandfather helped settle the little valley that Mike loved so much.

Mike loved spending time with his childhood friends. He enjoyed hiking, running barefoot on hot summer days, floating down the Hurricane canal, hiking Mollies Nipple, and just hanging out with all of his friends in the hood. He especially loved riding horses and being a cowboy. Mike graduated in 1978, from Hurricane High school. He later served a full time mission in the Missouri Saint Louis Mission, the same exact mission that his great-great-grandparents served in many years before him.

Mike met his sweetheart, Jean Cooper from Panguitch, UT. He soon fell in love with the little town and considered it his second home. Mike and Jean were married for time and all eternity on May 15, 1987, in the St. George LDS Temple. They have two children: Layne Nathaniel Jepson and MyKey Ann Jepson Hilton. Mike was an active member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. He served in many callings. His callings to serve the youth were his favorite.

Mike was employed at Scholzen Products for 30 years. He was dedicated to

his job and absolutely loved it. He loved going to work every day and getting to know his co-workers and customers. They all became such a huge part of his life. Thank you to Mike's SPC family for all of your love and support. He truly loved each of you so much and considered you his family.

Mike is survived by: his wife Jean Cooper Jepson of Hurricane; his son Layne Nathaniel Jepson of La Verkin; his daughter MyKey Ann and Michael Hilton of Provo; his siblings: Alanea and Doug Shaw of Washington, Terrilyn Chatterly of Orem, Brenda and Kim Sanders of Aurora, Jolee and Clair Woodbury of Hurricane, and Pat and Zolene Jepson of Hurricane. Mike is preceded in death by: his parents Layne and Orva Jepson; and his mother and father-in-law James and Ophelia Cooper.

Viewings will be held on Friday, October 30, 2015, from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. and Saturday from 12:30 p.m. to 1:45 p.m. at the Hurricane West Stake Center 272 S. 700 W. Hurricane, UT. Funeral services will be held on Saturday, October 31, 2015, at 2 p.m. followed by interment at Hurricane City Cemetery. Thank you on behalf of Mike and his family to all of the medical doctors, staff, and his hospice team that helped so much in his fight against brain cancer. He loved and admired each and every one for the knowledge and love that was shared with him.

Cemetery Details

Hurricane City Cemetery

200 E. 600 N.
Hurricane, UT 84737

Previous Events

Viewing

OCT **30**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (MT)

Hurricane 1st Ward
270 S. 700 W.
Hurricane, UT

Viewing

OCT **31**. 12:30 PM - 1:45 PM (MT)

Hurricane 1st Ward
270 S. 700 W.
Hurricane, UT

Funeral Mass

OCT **31**. 2:00 PM (MT)

Hurricane 1st Ward
270 S. 700 W.
Hurricane, UT

Tribute Wall

MA

“ Mike was one of the best neighbors a fellow could hope for. Wherever I saw him, whether visiting across the fence or helping me pick out sprinkler parts at Scholzen's, he was always exceptionally kind and warm. We would always share a good chuckle, often about the sorry state of the little bit of my fence separating our properties. :)

Mike was, and is, a good man, and our hearts are broken at the passing of our friend; he will be sorely missed. Jean, if you, Layne, or Mykey ever need anything, I hope that you will let us know. Anything at all.

God bless you,

Matt and Kristiana Mecham

Matt - October 31, 2015 at 06:36 PM

JY

“ Dear Jean, Layne, and MyKey,
We will always cherish the times we spent with your family at the Tigerette events! We had so much fun and Mike was ALWAYS there- helping, supporting, making sure things worked and making things so fun. He always had a way of brightening up the mood and lifting our spirits. My heart goes out to all of you- we will miss him dearly.

Love Always,

Janet and Brianna Youd and Family

Janet Youd - October 30, 2015 at 08:12 PM



“ *Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Mike (Mikie) Layne Jepson.*



October 30, 2015 at 02:16 PM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mike (Mikie) Layne Jepson.*



October 30, 2015 at 09:59 AM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Mike (Mikie) Layne Jepson.*



October 30, 2015 at 01:21 AM



“ *Hurricane Walmart Pharmacy Staff purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Mike (Mikie) Layne Jepson.*



Hurricane Walmart Pharmacy Staff - October 29, 2015 at 10:01 PM

MC

“ So sorry to hear about Mike's passing. May God pour out his spirit upon his family and friends. He will be sorely missed.

Mark P. Cowdell

Mark Cowdell - October 29, 2015 at 05:27 PM

JL

“ Jennell, Maurine, Utahna, and Lila purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Mike (Mikie) Layne Jepson.



Jennell, Maurine, Utahna, and Lila - October 29, 2015 at 02:17 PM

VW

“ My heart goes out to the family at this time of sorrow. I pray that you will be granted comfort as you deal with the day to day feeling of loss. Someone gave me this quote when we lost a loved one and it has been on my mind many times since then:

"Grief never ends.....but it changes. It's a passage, not a place to stay. Grief is not a sign of weakness, nor a lack of faith.....it is the price of love."

God bless you all, VanDyne Wilson

VanDyne Wilson - October 29, 2015 at 01:50 PM

AC

“ My husband and I served as senior missionaries in the Virginia Richmond Mission. There was a special missionary sister by the name of Sister Jepson whom we came to love and respect very much. She talked about her wonderful father and his cancer. Our heart is sad for your family at your loss but also grateful for the plan of salvation that sister Jepson taught so very well on her mission.




Alison Chuntz - October 29, 2015 at 11:10 AM

AB

“ I could write a book about my memories of Mike. We've known each other since we were in Kindergarten or maybe before that. That smile, those eyes and his loving qualities have always been there. Lives are intertwined with school and growing up in the same small community. The places you go, the people you know, the kids you share your growing up experiences with and the ones that remind you where home is. Mike has always been that for me. The one that welcomed me back home, made me feel welcome and always remained constant. His love and the way he embraced challenges, the pride he felt in his children, the love he had for Jean, the smile... I will miss you Mike, but will hold on to the memories and cherish the part you played in my life forever. May you be at peace, and may your family always know how much you love them. Godspeed Mike! You are loved and missed. Ann

Ann Beardall - October 29, 2015 at 11:06 AM

 Tiffany Phillips

“ Mike and his family are in my ward. His wife worked with my mom at cross creek. They have the strongest testimony and most loving spirit. Mike will be missed dearly.

Tiffany Phillips - October 29, 2015 at 10:06 AM

GR

“ Jean Im so sorry for your loss, my thoughts and prayers are with you.

Glenda Reitz - October 29, 2015 at 03:09 AM



“ I have worked with few people as honest, goodwilled, and positive as mikie. All who have worked with him have the upmost respect and admiration for him. Scholzens will never be the same without his smile, humor and friendship. I will miss him greatly and my heart and love go out to you. Should you need anything please dont hesitate to ask.
Terron



James Thompson - October 29, 2015 at 12:26 AM

KH

“ Jean and family, my heart is just hurting today. I didn't realize just the other day that that would be the last time I got to speak to Mike. I have many great and wonderful memories of those 2 pesky neighbors!! My thoughts and prayers are with you. ❤️❤️



Kathy Hurst - October 28, 2015 at 11:23 PM



“ Basket Full of Wishes was purchased for the family of Mike (Mikie) Layne Jepson.



October 28, 2015 at 10:48 PM

AB

“ I am so sorry Jean my thought and prayers are with you and your family.
Alice Bagley



Alice Bagley - October 28, 2015 at 09:58 PM



“ Mike was/is awesome!! good friend ..Im so sorry Jean

Peggy Gunter - October 28, 2015 at 09:49 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Mike (Mikie) Layne Jepson.



October 28, 2015 at 07:06 PM

DP

“ Earth lost a big chunk of kindness with Mike passing. We love him for the quiet and positive way he lived his life. His smile made us feel appreciated, the twinkle in his eye made us smile back. He loved life and was so generous and warm. We are grateful to know Mike, and to have been cared for by him and his family; truly one of the kindest and most loving families we know. He battled this thing with courage and humility. He taught us to be tough and keep trying, to never give up.

We are only happy that his battle is over because it's hard to see suffering, but we wish we didn't have to say goodbye to have the battle won. Rest well Mike.

Love, Diana Phillips and the Phillips family.

Diana Phillips - October 28, 2015 at 06:52 PM



“ Mike and I became friends in 1977 after sweating and suffering hundreds of hours with each other because we were the same weight and ran the same speed in wrestling and track. He was very proud to shave my head during letter man initiation and sent me random messages for decades asking if my hair had grown back yet. I've loved seeing pictures of his beautiful family on FB. You did good old Friend.

Jim Crocker - October 28, 2015 at 06:35 PM

JA

So sorry Jean that he finally lost his battle with the cancer. Know we send thoughts and prayers. It's not an easy time but you have some great memories with a great guy.

Love, Jackie Hampton Anderson (Circleville)

Jackie Hampton Anderson - October 28, 2015 at 11:18 PM

BH

“ *Part of working was seeing Mikie every day with a smile. After I left SPC it was come by to check on my little buddy big heart and all fight I we'll miss him more than words can say. Best Wishes to you his family who he loved with all his heart. Bernie Harris*

bernie harris - October 28, 2015 at 05:29 PM