



Michael "Mike" Johnson

April 7, 1962 - January 15, 2022

Family and friends are welcome to gather together to remember and celebrate Mike on Thursday, January 20th, 2022, from 4:00-8:00pm at Limestone Chapel Funeral Home. A service and singing will start at 6:30pm.

Michael "Mike" Johnson, 59 of Athens, passed away on Saturday, January 15th, 2022, at Athens Limestone Hospital. Mr. Johnson was born on April 7th, 1962, to Daniel Joseph and Shirley Crabtree Johnson.

Mr. Johnson is survived by his wife of 40 years, Debbie Reynolds Johnson; son Matthew Edward Johnson (Carrie) of Quitman, MS; grandchildren Tegan Sharp, Autumn Rivers, Marley Johnson, Lydia Rivers, Matilda Johnson, and Ezra Johnson; daughter Amy Elizabeth Fields (Justin) of Ardmore, TN; grandchildren Anna Fields, Skylyer Fields, and Bryson Fields; daughter Maria Ellen Smiley (Khristofer) of Elkmont; grandchild Quinton Smiley; father and mother Daniel and Shirley Johnson of Athens; brother Mark Johnson (LeAnne) of Athens; sister LuAnne

Johnson of Athens; and mother-in-law Barbara M. Reynolds.

Mr. Johnson was an engineer at Steelcase, musician with Trippin Dixie and Highway 72. He played drums, guitar, mandolin, ukulele and was lead singer. He was part of Big Life University and helped with the Arts Council/High Cotton Arts and Athens Limestone Tourism with Sprit of Athens.

He preached all of his life after studying with Mark White at Oakland Church of Christ and was currently working with Craig's Chapel Church of Christ in Lester Alabama.

Mr. Johnson Loved people and wanted the best for everyone. He was encouraging, helpful, and available to those that asked or needed him.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

JAN 20. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Limestone Chapel Funeral Home
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Athens, AL 35611
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Tribute Wall

SO

“ I met Mike several years ago when we were both looking at forming a band, which eventually became 'Trippin Dixie.' While we had different musical aspirations, Mike became a respected friend and was a total class act. My wife and I saw him live and he came to a few of my shows. He was as nice a guy as you can find, and I enjoyed many of his videos. There are no words in times like this, only prayers and sincere condolences to his family. Mike's passing leaves an emptiness in our community.

Scott 'Scotty' Owen - January 24, 2022 at 07:51 AM

RH

“ I went to school with Mike and Debbie...and He has had a huge impact on my life with his spiritual words and guidance...The perfect role model of how life should be and a marriage.
A very talented man.
My deepest condolences to his beautiful wife and family...prayers up..angels of sympathy sent for all who know him. 🙏

Regina Holland - January 21, 2022 at 01:49 PM

CS

“ I used to jam with Mike and Mark. Those were good times. Best to Mike's family.

Conrad Stinnett - January 20, 2022 at 08:52 PM

PB

“ I am at a loss for words to describe the loss I feel with Mike gone! He was my friend, my preacher, my guidance down this road of life, the compass that told me when I was on the wrong path but he always let me choose my way! I loved him so so much! I feel like I cannot breath at the at the thought of trying to make it with out you Mike! But I will see you on the other side , my ever so faithful friend! You and Debbie and your beautiful family have been my touchstone for 20 years now! Onward and upward I go so I can meet you in the air! Go Rest High On That Mountain My Dearest Friend! And save a place for me! 🥺❤️🙏



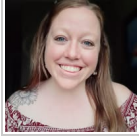
Penny Bates - January 20, 2022 at 07:06 PM

CR

“ Chuck Richter lit a candle in memory of Michael "Mike" Johnson



Chuck Richter - January 20, 2022 at 06:58 PM



“ I am so sorry for this tremendous loss. Mike meant a lot to me, and his impact is far-reaching. He was there for two of the most important days of my life: my baptism and my wedding. I am so thankful he and Debbie made the five-hour trip for my wedding. Love and prayers to Debbie, Matthew, Amy, Maria, and the rest of the family!



Alonna Hitchcock - January 20, 2022 at 03:14 PM



“ Prayers and love to Debbie and Barbara and your entire family. I loved listening to Mike and his two minute talks. I guess my favorite memory consists of a young preacher and his wife whom my mama loved. He is already missed but left such a lasting influence on so many. I can only imagine my mother's reaction when she sees him ❤️!

Maxine Knoll - January 20, 2022 at 02:55 PM



“ Uncle David, Karen, Pat, Chris & Family purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Michael "Mike" Johnson.



Uncle David, Karen, Pat, Chris & Family - January 20, 2022 at 09:09 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Michael "Mike" Johnson.*



January 19, 2022 at 07:53 PM



“ *My condolences and prayers to the family! Mike was a precious man & will be missed by many! Rest in peace sweet friend...I'll see you again one day!*

Tracy Holloway

Tracy Holloway - January 19, 2022 at 03:22 PM



“ *Most of my memories of Mike and Mark are during holidays at grandma and grandpas. Those were some of the most wonderful and loving times in my life and miss them dearly. It's obvious that the influences that they made on us at a young age, remained in Mike's heart and convictions. His drive to help others and his Christianity have and will influence everyone around him as well. God is Good and Mike knew that.*

Brian Crabtree

Brian Crabtree - January 19, 2022 at 02:48 PM

BC

“ *Brian & Elora Crabtree & Beth Crabtree purchased the Basket of Memories for the family of Michael "Mike" Johnson.*



Brian & Elora Crabtree & Beth Crabtree - January 19, 2022 at 01:52 PM

AF

“ *Aunt Betty, Annette, Anita, Alvin, Gena & Family purchased the Basket Full of Wishes for the family of Michael "Mike" Johnson.*



Aunt Betty, Annette, Anita, Alvin, Gena & Family - January 19, 2022 at 11:24 AM

GL

“ *Mike will forever be remembered for his positive, thoughtful thinking. Love to his family.*

Greg Legg - January 19, 2022 at 09:26 AM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Michael "Mike" Johnson.*



January 18, 2022 at 11:14 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Michael "Mike" Johnson.*



January 18, 2022 at 09:31 PM



“ *Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Michael "Mike" Johnson.*



January 18, 2022 at 08:36 PM



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



January 18, 2022 at 05:52 PM



“ *To Family and Friends:
Mike was an inspiration and a unique person. He always placed the feelings, well being, and needs of others, before those of himself. For awhile, I was a fellow band-mate and was privileged to see and experience the many sides of Mike's personality. Please remember him with love and kindness. -Stuart*

Stuart Colbs - January 18, 2022 at 05:41 PM

BW

“ Going to miss Mike 😞 good guy my soul brother 💔💔💙

Brenda Wiley - January 18, 2022 at 05:00 PM

SE

“ Sam G Ezell purchased the Strength & Solace S pray for the family of Michael "Mike" Johnson.



Sam G Ezell - January 18, 2022 at 04:54 PM

SA

“ Mark, Luanne, Dan, Shirley, and Debbie. Words don't necessarily bring comfort, but as I exchanged a message with Mark earlier, I've been "Away" from home for over 35 years and miss the folks that impacted my life. Your family is one of those I have fond memories of, working at your machine shop, fishing and skiing from your dock, attending church, etc. I know you are hurting, but as I just viewed one of Mike's videos on facebook, he knew the intangibles, that family and friends were important and life was short. I'm glad I knew him and enjoyed good times with him and the folks he loved, no matter how many years ago that was. I will pray for peace and we all can look forward to the day when we are reunited in Heaven. Take care, friends.

Sam (Sammy) Austin

sam austin - January 18, 2022 at 03:51 PM

LR

“ *Last Call Band- Rich, Spence, Curtis, Billy purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Michael "Mike" Johnson.*



Last Call Band- Rich, Spence, Curtis, Billy - January 18, 2022 at 02:52 PM

PA

“ *Sending sincere condolences & prayers to Debbie & children/grandchildren and to Mike's parents & siblings during this time. Praying your hearts are filled with beautiful memories of a life well lived. God's Speed, Mike!*



Paula - January 18, 2022 at 02:35 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Michael "Mike" Johnson.*



January 18, 2022 at 02:02 PM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Michael "Mike" Johnson.*



January 18, 2022 at 01:42 PM

JS

“ *My brother, Mike played in his band for a time. That’s how I got to meet him. He was a very talented musician and singer! I always found his posts on Facebook very inspirational. My condolences to all who knew him! Joe Mark Sowell*

joe Mark Sowell - January 18, 2022 at 01:11 PM