

Michael Byrd

July 5, 1949 - November 15, 2021

Michael Conway Byrd, 72, passed away November 15, 2021, on his farm in Reklaw TX. He was born July 5, 1949 in Jacksonville, TX to the late Cecil “Buddy” & Faye Byrd.

Mike grew up in Reklaw and graduated from Rusk High School in 1967. He attended Tyler Junior College, where he earned an Associates Degree in Electrical Engineering. In 1970, he married Carol Burton, to whom he was married for 51 years. Mike had a 38 year career with Texas Power & Light and Texas Utilities. Mike was also a rancher for most of his life.

He enjoyed hunting and fishing, but most of all he loved working on the farm and spending time with his family. Mike had a strong work ethic and not only enjoyed working on his projects, but also the projects of friends and neighbors. He was a member of Rusk Church of Christ.

He is preceded in death by his parents and his brother Ricky Byrd. He is survived by his wife, Carol Byrd; sons, Michael (Jondalyn) and Wesley (Desiree) Byrd; sister, Cathy (Homer) Goolsbee; six grandchildren, Emily, Jackson, Avery, Mackenzie, Caroline, and Shelby; an extended family of cherished in-laws, cousins, nieces, nephews and friends.

A funeral celebration of Mike’s life will be 2:00 p.m., Monday, November 22,

2021, at Rusk Church of Christ under the direction of Wallace-Thompson Funeral home with Robby Arrington officiating. Burial will follow at Walkers Chapel Cemetery, Reklaw, Texas.

Visitation will be one hour prior to the service beginning at 1:00 p.m. A gift in his name may be made to the Rusk Church of Christ Building Fund, 397 South Main Street, Rusk, TX 75785.

Cemetery Details

Walker Chapel Cemetery

360 CR 4404
Reklaw, TX

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV **22**. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Rusk Church of Christ
397 S Main St
Rusk, TX 75785
(903) 683-4003

Service

NOV **22**. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

Rusk Church of Christ

Tribute Wall



“ Wallace-Thompson Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Michael Byrd



Wallace-Thompson Funeral Home - November 18, 2021 at 12:17 PM



“ Michael Byrd

October 04, 2023 at 11:30 AM



“ Floor Plant for Sympathy was purchased for the family of Michael Byrd.



November 22, 2021 at 07:39 AM



“ To Carol and Family. I am so very sorry for your loss. My prayers are with you. I always enjoyed working for Mike at Oncor Electric. He was a great supervisor and always eager to help.

Randy Porter - November 22, 2021 at 07:27 AM

VC

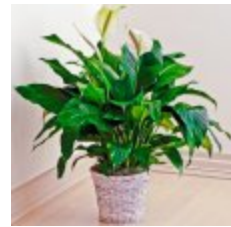
“ *Such a wonderful son! Always taking care of his mom Faye Byrd.*



VICKIE GARRETT, Mikes favorite Cousin!! - November 20, 2021 at 07:36 PM



“ *Floor Plant for Sympathy was purchased for the family of Michael Byrd.*



November 20, 2021 at 02:00 AM



“ *Classic Sympathy Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Michael Byrd.*



November 19, 2021 at 04:23 PM

TD

“ *The Therapy Department purchased the White Sympathy Baskets for the family of Michael Byrd.*



The Therapy Department - November 19, 2021 at 03:33 PM



“ 1 file added to the album *Life Tributes*



Wallace-Thompson Funeral Home - November 19, 2021 at 11:27 AM



“ Carol, where to start. Mike was always there as my brothers and I grew up. MaMaw and Papaw loved their “Mike.” I pray God will give you all good memories in the days ahead. I am certain, my mother, upon greeting Mike reminded him which side he could give her a kiss. The other side was for his dad, as you know. Great memories of a great guy.

Loeta Martin - November 18, 2021 at 11:00 PM



“ Blue & White Sympathy Floor Basket was purchased for the family of Michael Byrd.



November 18, 2021 at 07:52 PM



“ Dish Garden with Fresh Cut Flowers was purchased for the family of Michael Byrd.



November 18, 2021 at 04:35 PM



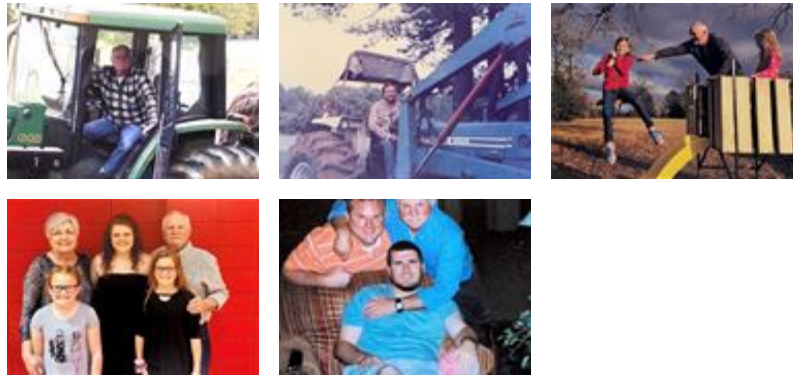
“ *Floor Plant for Sympathy was purchased for the family of Michael Byrd.* ”



November 18, 2021 at 01:57 PM



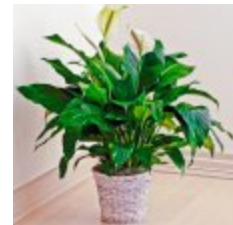
“ *135 files added to the album LifeTributes* ”



Wallace-Thompson Funeral Home - November 18, 2021 at 12:13 PM



“ *Floor Plant for Sympathy was purchased for the family of Michael Byrd.* ”



November 18, 2021 at 12:04 PM



“ *Peace, Prayers & Blessings - Blue and White was purchased for the family of Michael Byrd.*



November 17, 2021 at 07:43 PM



“ *Mike was a great guy we did some dumb things back in school but at the time we didn't think so. We were in our last year at Rusk and in speech class mike was called upon to give the answer he was looking it up which probably took two minutes when the teacher called upon another student for the answer. Well it went down hill Mike made a jester I saw it and Jerry Don saw it and we laughed out load needless to say we all three got sent to the office. After we told Mr Philbrick what happen he laughed and told us to bend over and we got one lick apiece. Told his secretary there goes three good men. When we return to class we made it look good by sitting real easy. Prayers to the family RIP my friend I will sure miss our little visit when I would go to the farm*

roger mccrary - November 17, 2021 at 12:20 PM



“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



VICKIE GARRETT, Mikes favorite Cousin!! - November 17, 2021 at 11:56 AM

JH

“ *Mike was a great friend as a classmate and in many escapades! I love Mike and Carol as family! God's blessings and hugs!* ”

Jim Harper - November 17, 2021 at 11:41 AM