



Michael Lee Axsom

March 17, 1952 - January 17, 2016

Michael Lee Axsom, born March 17, 1952, was called home to the Father on January 17, 2016.

Preceded in death by his parents Leston David Axsom (pastor emeritus) and Helen Evelyn Axsom.

Mike is survived by his childhood sweetheart and spouse of 43 years Susan Jane (Honeycutt) Axsom, sons Travis Lee Axsom (married to Misty Dawn Wade-Axsom) and Todd Michael Axsom; Grandchildren Christopher Travis Michael Axsom, Cheyenne Lynn Axsom, Jada Susan Elaine Axsom, Raven Jayne Axiom and great grandson Kyson Tony Michael Axsom; Brothers Leston Jr. Axsom and Steve Axsom and sister Patricia Ann (Axsom) Butler, as well as multiple generations of cousins, nieces and nephews.

Mike graduated Bloomington High School in 1970, and Ivy Tech in Terre Haute in 1971. He was currently employed as Superintendent of Daviess/Martin Joint County Park and Recreation Department (West Boggs Park) where he has served for the past 21 1/2 years. He was also a member of the Davies County Sheriff's department.

His love of the outdoors and conservation/resource management guided him through an amazing array of career paths. Beginning with a position with the Indiana Department of Natural Resources, Mike served as Assistant State

Fire Coordinator, and was a member of the IDNR Hot Shots. During his years as the Assistant State Fire Coordinator he also served as Arson Investigator for the Eastern Fire Department in Solsberry. He was the CEO for the Wyoming Outfitters Association and he served as the editor/publisher of the Wyoming Outdoorsman Magazine.

With all of these careers, his main focus was always centered around God, family and country. He loved the outdoors and spent as much time there as he possibly could, which lead him to also take an interest in teaching young people the love of the outdoors. He founded the C.O.O.L. (Corps of Outdoor Leadership) program and was a member of the Indiana Hunters Education Program.

With such a great and diverse man, this is only the highlights of his contribution to his community, family and country.

Funeral services for Mike will be held Friday January 22, 2016 at 11:00AM at Allen Funeral Home and Crematory 4155 South Old State Road 37. Reverend Ron Hawkins will preside. Mike will be laid to rest in the Solsberry Cemetery. Visitation will be held Thursday January 21, 2016 from 4:00PM until 8:00PM at the funeral home as well as from 10:00AM Friday until the time of the service at 11:00AM.

Online condolences , memories and photos of Mike may be shared with the family at www.allenfuneralhome.org.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN **21**. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Allen Funeral Home and Crematory
4155 S. Old State Road 37
Bloomington, IN 47401
(812) 824-5905
<http://www.allencares.com>

Service

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Tribute Wall

MB

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with the the family. Mike hosted our department down at the park last year. He was very open to sharing ideas and brainstorming with us. Seeing his work and dedication was inspiring to us. He will be missed!

Megan Bowman - January 27, 2016 at 01:04 PM

DB

“ My heartfelt condolences to a wonderful family. I'm so sorry for your loss. Through Todd, I got to know that his dad was a good man. May your memories bring you peace and comfort in the coming days.

Dee Bubel

Dee Bubel - January 22, 2016 at 01:35 PM

MW

“ MIKE SURE WILL BE MISSED THROUGHOUT THIS AREA. HE WAS GREAT TO TALK TO AND WE ENJOYED HIS FRIENDSHIP OVER THE YEARS.
JOHN & MARTHA WHITSITT

MARTHA WHITSITT - January 21, 2016 at 01:11 PM

KN

“ Broke my heart to hear of Mike's passing. My sincere sympathies go to my friend Susie and the rest of the family.

Karen Neal - January 21, 2016 at 11:37 AM



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



January 20, 2016 at 11:42 PM



“ *Healing Tears - Blue and White was purchased for the family of Michael Lee Axsom.*



January 20, 2016 at 08:54 PM



“ *TODD CLOUD/RALPH CLOUD/DENNIS ISON purchased the Multicolor Bright Sympathy Floor Basket for the family of Michael Lee Axsom.*



TODD CLOUD/RALPH CLOUD/DENNIS ISON - January 20, 2016 at 12:07 PM



“ *Blue & White Sympathy Standing Spray was purchased for the family of Michael Lee Axsom.*



January 20, 2016 at 10:48 AM

TT

“ Tina Thrasher lit a candle in memory of Michael Lee Axsom



Tina Thrasher - January 20, 2016 at 09:58 AM



“ Sympathy Chocolates was purchased for the family of Michael Lee Axsom.



January 20, 2016 at 09:17 AM

CS

“ C.HEMBREE SR./FAMILY. lit a candle in memory of Michael Lee Axsom



C.HEMBREE SR./FAMILY. - January 20, 2016 at 08:31 AM

MH

“ I worked with Mike through the Martin County Tourism and he was such a nice person, he will be missed. Him & his son designed our Martin County Tourism pin that we give away as an Ambassador Pin, to people that has done something note worthy to help our county. Sorry for your loss. Past President & past V. President of the Martin County Chamber, and V. President of the SBA, & Tourism committee.

MARIE B HAWKINS - January 20, 2016 at 08:16 AM

PL

“ Mike was a man to be admired. He gave his heart and soul to everything that he set out to accomplish. He was very involved with many things that made a difference to so many. You all have our deepest sympathy in the loss of a wonderful man. God bless you all with his mercy and grace. Pam and Jason Loughmiller family

Pam Loughmiller - January 20, 2016 at 08:13 AM

 Alisha
Davis
Thacker

“ Uncle Mike, you were so much more to me than an uncle. You were someone that I looked up to, someone that I could count on. You made me feel safe and protected just knowing you were there. I could call you for advice and you wouldn't hesitate to give it to me even if I didn't like the advice at the time. I teased you constantly about being your "favorite". Truth be known, it was the other way around. I will miss you always. My true hero. Alisha



Alisha Davis Thacker - January 20, 2016 at 07:17 AM

GF

“ Ginny Padgett & Family purchased the Peace, Prayers, & Blessings- Lavender and White for the family of Michael Lee Axsom.



Ginny Padgett & Family - January 19, 2016 at 08:03 PM

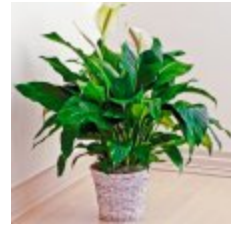
SD

“ Mike grew up with my children and all were very close for many years. He came from good stock! Hard to believe he is gone. He will definitely be missed by family and friends. To the family goes our prayers now and for the days ahead. God bless you!

Shirley Deem - January 19, 2016 at 06:33 PM



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



January 19, 2016 at 12:12 PM

LN

“ Lori Nicholson lit a candle in memory of Michael Lee Axsom



Lori Nicholson - January 19, 2016 at 07:50 AM