



## David "Big Mike" Lee Mikeals

March 25, 1976 - January 3, 2019

David "Big Mike" Lee Mikeals passed away Jan 3, 2019 in Dallas. He was born March 25, 1976 in East Liverpool, Ohio, the youngest son of David and Sally (Galloway) Mikeals.

Big Mike enjoyed everything he could do outside especially camping, four wheeling and any time spent with friends and family outdoors was his favorite time. He had a smile that instantly made friends of others and his generosity and kindness were hallmarks of his character. He attended Forney High School and graduated in 1995 with Art Honors. Big Mike loved art and won an award for one of his paintings that hung in the state capitol. He also created the City of Forney recycling graphic that is still used today. After graduation, Big Mike attended MMI Institute in Florida as well as the Art Institute of Dallas. In Florida, he learned about the intricate designs and manufacturing of ATV engines and at the Art Institute, he further developed his artistic talents. Big Mike followed his passion for four wheelers and ATVs working as an independent designer and technician. His hard work ethic and dedication to learning everything he could about all cars gave him an excellent reputation among his colleagues and customers. He and his best friend, Jay, would often be found working on cars and planning the next get together of everyone. He enjoyed life to the fullest and lived every day knowing that he was truly blessed with loyal family and true friendships. Big Mike's heart was as big as Texas and he will be missed by all who knew him.

Those left to celebrate his legacy are his daughter, Aubrey Mikeals; son, Mason Mikeals; parents, David and Sally Mikeals; sister, Patricia Arbor; brother, Pete Arbor and wife, Pam; girlfriend, Heather Thompson as well as numerous other nieces, nephews, extended family and a host of friends, including his best friend, Jay Pinson.

A Celebration of Life for Big Mike will be at 6:00 pm Wednesday January 9, 2019 at Max Slayton Funerals and Cremations. The family requests in lieu of flowers memorials be made to the Wills Point High School FFA Chapter, 1800 W. South Commerce, Wills Point, TX, 75169 in honor of his children, Aubrey and Mason Mikeals.

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

JAN 9. 6:00 PM (CT)

Max Slayton Funeral Chapel  
642 N. Rockwall Ave.  
Terrell, TX 75160

# Tribute Wall



“ *Max Slayton Funerals and Cremations created a Tribute Video in memory of David "Big Mike" Lee Mikeals*



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**Max Slayton Funerals & Cremations** - March 24, 2022 at 04:29 PM



“ *David "Big Mike" Lee Mikeals*

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October 08, 2023 at 07:43 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of David "Big Mike" Lee Mikeals.*



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January 08, 2019 at 08:47 AM



“ *Family and friends,  
I am extremely comforted knowing that Mike was lead to salvation and excepted Jesus Christ into his heart as his lord and savior before making his final journey home. Godspeed my good friend, Godspeed*

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**Jay Pinson** - January 04, 2019 at 05:20 PM

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“ We loved you the minute we met you! You were bigger than life; full of laughter; full of shenanigans, always the life of the party! You were so much fun to be around. You were also kind-hearted, sweet, and always willing to lend a hand, and we will miss you forever.  
Love, Mikey & Glenda Dupuis

Glenda Dupuis - January 04, 2019 at 04:49 PM



Georgina Whyte

“ You will forever be carried with us in spirit, we love you Mike.



Georgina Whyte - January 04, 2019 at 12:42 PM



“ Word cannot express our sorrow. May all of Mike's family and friends be comforted by the outpouring of love surrounding them. Love you Mike. Christie and Bernard Lovejoy



Christie Lovejoy - January 04, 2019 at 12:35 PM



“ You will always be missed Biggen. I will cherish our memories forever, as we had some great times together. Rest in piece my friend and we will re-unite soon!



Mark Hughes - January 04, 2019 at 12:26 PM