



Michael 'Mike' C. Walton

July 1, 1960 - March 18, 2021

Michael "Mike" C. Walton, 60, of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, passed away on Thursday, March 18, 2021, at his home following a brief illness. In keeping with Mike's wishes, funeral services will not be held. Murdoch-Linwood Funeral Home & Cremation Service in Cedar Rapids is assisting the family.

Mike was born on July 1, 1960, the son of Albert and Kathryn Joan Walton. He attended Anamosa High School and relocated to Colorado where he was employed by Walton Construction and Seven States Steel as an iron worker. Returning to Iowa in 1990, he worked as a crane operator in Minnesota and Iowa and was employed by TriState Construction prior to retiring in 2015. Mike was a member of IUOE Local 234 in Des Moines. He greatly enjoyed his job operating cranes and was passionate about flying the American flag from the booms of the tower cranes on the job sites.

Mike was a music lover and played the drums in his younger days. He enjoyed attending rock concerts - especially Bob Seger, The Eagles, Billy Joel, and Bruce Springsteen. He was also an avid fan of the Chicago Bears and the Chicago Cubs.

Mike is survived by his sister and brother-in-law, Karla and Gary Phillips, Kennesaw, Georgia; his niece and nephew, Kate and Matt Phillips; his girlfriend, Janet Kula; his aunt, Velma Hanus; cousins, Greg Nelson, Len Dunham, and Lori Mercer; and his beloved cat, Sweetie.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his brother, Alan Walton; and his sister-in-law, Kim Walton.

Mike requested that his friends and family remember the good times they had and the laughs that were shared over the years.

Memorials in Mike's memory may be made to the Cedar Valley Humane Society.

Comments



“ To the family of Mike,
I have so many childhood memories of Mike He had the best stories as he often shared what was going on in his big brothers Al's life and that seemed pretty cool to a fifth grader. We hung out and Mike introduced me to the music of the sixties, Three Dog Night and Grand Funk come to mind. We even put a band together with neighbor kids on Oak street and played one "gig" in Kyle Swanson's garage. We named the band "Wally (Walton) and the Walnuts" Mike even then could be the leader, I think we sort of knew 3 or 4 songs which we played multiple times thru the night. I am still so impressed with how supportive Mikes parents were they opened their home to this junior high rock band letting them practice in the back yard I'm sure the neighbors didn't appreciate but they hardly ever complained and were great chaperones at those city hall concerts. Good memories!
Thinking of all the good times Rest in peace Mike--Curt Daily

Curt Daily - March 26, 2021 at 09:32 AM



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Greg & Linda Nelson - March 21, 2021 at 12:55 PM



“ I met Mike the first day of school in 7th grade and became great friends right away. Along with Jim Yanda, we started our first band when we were 13 in Anamosa. Mike was always full of life and a real good drummer! We played for Jr. High School dances and always had the best time. You were loved by all, Rest in peace my friend, Steve Lawrence.

Lawrence Steven - March 21, 2021 at 10:45 AM



“ Karla, you have my families deepest sympathies. Now it's just you. I'm so sorry. I can remember Kelly and Mike wrestling or something boys do, but Kelly ended up with the biggest black eye ever. He was so mad. We had just moved out to the edge of town and your folks came to see the new house. Sorry about all your losses. I connected with Alan after Kim, at a class reunion. I got kind of protective of him. We had idiots in our class, asking where she was. And your Dad was sick. Our Moms worked at Kirkwood and had lunch often. My Dad passed in 2004 & Kelly 2006. I have Multiple Sclerosis & other things. I'm in the Care Center, across the street from that house.
Rest in Peace Mikey
Renee Frankfurt-Colbert



Renee Frankfurt-Colbert - March 20, 2021 at 02:48 AM