



Michael S. Foley

December 25, 1953 - November 19, 2015

PRINCETON - Michael S. Foley, 61, of Princeton, WV completed his earthly journey on Thursday, November 19, 2015, peacefully passing away at his home with his wife and sister by his side. Born Christmas Day, 1953, he was the son of the late Sylvester Foley and Betty Hamm Foley.

Mike was a lifelong member of Matoaka Christian Church which was established and built by his grandfather in the 1920's. Mike's friend and pastor, Craig Hammond, began driving him to church several years ago when he became ill. After he was able to drive again, Craig continued picking him up until he was no longer able to attend. The conversations during these drives were a continuing source of inspiration to Mike. After receiving a bilateral lung transplant in 2012, Mike was given the gift of once again living his life at 110% sharing his testimony of God's grace whenever possible. He was able to return to playing drums with Flashback and enjoying long rides on his three-wheeler. All who knew Mike will remember his quick wit and sense of humor, having never met a stranger.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by one sister, Charlotte Carden.

Mike is survived by his wife, Libby of the home; his sister, Sharon Taylor and Garry of Lashmeet; his son, Chris Foley and Angela and their children Hunter

and Beau of Ventura, CA; step-sons, Jessie Lester and Cathy and their children Emma, Maggie and Milo of Clemmons, NC and “Moose” Lester and Sara and their children, Jack, Sam and Kate of Lewisville, NC; brothers-in-law, Buford Lemon and Ruthie and Rick Lemon and Martha; and special nieces, Kelly Donahue and Jared and Monica Blair and Joe.

A celebration of the life of Mike Foley will be held Sunday, December 13, 2015 at the Matoaka Christian Church following the morning worship service with Pastor Craig Hammond officiating. Per Mike’s wishes, his body has been cremated.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Bluefield Union Mission, Mercer County Animal Shelter or a charity of choice.

Arrangements by Bailey-Kirk Funeral Home in Princeton. Online condolences may be shared with the family at www.bailey-kirk.com.

Tribute Wall



“ *Michael S. Foley*

December 27, 2022 at 03:07 PM



“ *Libby and family, my prayers are with you. Sending my love and hugs.*

Vickie Witt

Vickie Witt - November 30, 2015 at 04:52 AM



“ *Libby and the Foley Family, May you keep the good memories close to your heart and may God give you peace and comfort as only he can. Love and prayers, Teresa Andrews*



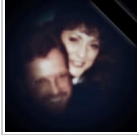
Teresa Andrews - November 22, 2015 at 11:08 AM



“ *Libby~
I am sorry for the loss of your husband. I will keep you in my thoughts and prayers. Cherish your memories..*

*Alva Cassidy Jones
Sumter, SC*

Alva Jones - November 22, 2015 at 09:36 AM



“ *Lynne Beavers-Stanton lit a candle in memory of Michael S. Foley*



Lynne Beavers-Stanton - November 22, 2015 at 08:46 AM

JS

“ *Jackie Sutherland lit a candle in memory of Michael S. Foley*



Jackie Sutherland - November 22, 2015 at 07:43 AM

JK

“ *Sorry for your loss, Libby and Sharon Starbucks says he was a great guy....always happy and never sad....a great inspiration*



Jerri Kasper - November 21, 2015 at 06:10 PM

SS

Libby I am sorry for your loss ! We know MiKe is at home with his heavenly FAther. May GOd comfort you and give you strength. My heart and love are with you. Sherri Shrewsbury.

sherri shrewsbury - November 21, 2015 at 06:48 PM



I graduated with him and he was always such a kind and gentle and had a good sense of humor. Sorry for your loss. Praying for peace and comfort for all of you. Drema Hodges Lewis

Drema Lewis - November 28, 2015 at 08:16 AM

GK

“ Libby, So sorry for your loss. Mike was a fantastic drummer who always gave it his all. Thinking of the entire family at this time. Greg K

Greg Kanode - November 21, 2015 at 04:43 PM

JS

“ So sad such a wonderful man, husband, granddad, friend to many & one darn good drummer. I love you Libby and the Foley family. Gone but never to be forgotten. 🌹

Jackie Sutherland - November 21, 2015 at 12:53 PM

RK

“ Libby and family, I wish to extend my deepest sympathies to the family. Mike was an awesome person. I will never forget the summer the 3 of us spent good times at the swimming pool, teaching swim classes. The children loved him. He was so much fun. I pray that God will comfort you in the coming days. Libby you were so fortunate to have been his soul mate!!
Ruthie Kittle



Ruthie Kittle - November 21, 2015 at 12:43 PM

JL

“ To: Foley family,
I met Michael At PCH Respiratory Rehab and enjoyed the talks we had. May God's wisdom be a comfort to the Foley family during this time along with Mr. Craig Hammond and his wisdom as well.



John O. Lowe - November 21, 2015 at 10:37 AM

JL

Might I ad my condolences to Charlotte's family as well. Worked with Dave at Norris Screen & Mfg.

John O. Lowe - November 21, 2015 at 10:40 AM



So sorry to hear about this Libby. I pray that Gods love will give you comfort in the coming days.

Karen Lewis - November 25, 2015 at 02:17 AM

DP

“ *Dolly Poe lit a candle in memory of Michael S. Foley*



Dolly Poe - November 21, 2015 at 10:32 AM

KM

“ *Mike and I were in the same graduating class at Spanishburg and I have many fond memories of Mike. We reconnected when he was working for the power company and he came to the house on a call. We shared many laughs as we recalled memories from our past. He was always good to help my Dad and me with any electrical problems that we had. Mike was one of the good guys and he will truly be missed. May God fill the void for the entire family that has been created by the death of Mike.*

God bless,

Ken Monk

Kenneth Monk - November 21, 2015 at 07:10 AM

BS

“ So sorry Libby,I know this is one of the hardest things a person can loose. I was working at PCH on the Parkview side when I meet Mike,I would see him almost daily getting on the elevator going to PR with a big smile and his WVU outfits (that I usually commended on) sometimes he wouldn't stop and chat awhile, or run into someone he knew and chat with them. I so enjoyed his spunk and positive attitude. May God bless ...he will be missed .Brenda Salimi

Brenda Salimi - November 21, 2015 at 06:37 AM

PM

“ To my favorite singing buddy.I loved singing with you my heart is broke but I know you are singing in Heaven now hope you are in a special choir because I know how much you meant to people and how you made a difference in everyone you met.I believe God give you your new lungs to stay with us until your allotted time was over then he needed you more than we did..
We will always Love and Miss you Mike..
Thoughts and Prayers to Libby.Sharon and all his family
Love you my friend
Peggy..

peggy matthews - November 20, 2015 at 09:27 PM

TH

“ 1 file added to the album Mike Foley



The Owensbys and Harsanyis - November 20, 2015 at 09:04 PM

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Mike our own Little Drummr Boy will be giving his greatest performance before His Lord and Savior on their birthdays.

The Owensbys and Harsanyis - November 20, 2015 at 09:11 PM

PM

“ *Peggy Matthews lit a candle in memory of Michael S. Foley*



peggy matthews - November 20, 2015 at 07:17 PM

JB

“ *So sorry. Sending prayers to the family. I went to school Mike at Spanishburg. Always a funny guy.*

Jeanne Bonwill - November 20, 2015 at 05:46 PM

JW

“ *Mike was a wonderful person who quickly became a dear friend. Him and Libby would often bring me breakfast or lunch at Conncert Music World. He always made me laugh and was a talented drummer. I will always remember his kindness, strong faith in God, laughter, and miss his friendship.*

Janel Willis-Williams - November 20, 2015 at 03:05 PM

KW

Mike was a talented musician who will be missed. I am very sorry..

kaye williams - November 20, 2015 at 08:59 PM