



Michael Towell Johnston

November 12, 1943 - August 31, 2015

Michael Towell Johnston, 71, of Mooresville, passed away on Monday, August 31, 2015 at Levine & Dickson Hospice House in Huntersville.

Mike was born on November 12, 1943 in Baltimore, MD, to the late William Q. Towell and Agnes Johnston Towell. He was a 1966 graduate of NC State University, where he received his Bachelor's in Engineering. He was a Vietnam War Veteran serving in the US Army 101st Air Borne Ranger Division and was a recipient of two Purple Hearts for injuries received in battle. Mike retired from Freightliner as a Quality Assurance Manager in 2007. He was a member of Coddle Creek ARP Church in Mooresville.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his adopted parents, Kenneth and Mary Johnston; and half-sister, Rae Soczka.

He is survived by his wife of 42 years, Patricia Brotherton Johnston; children, Michael Towell Johnston, Jr. and wife, Jennifer, Lisa Isenhour Martin and longtime companion, Tony Beeker; grandchildren, Jeff Martin and wife, Amanda, Bryce Johnston, Kendal Johnston; and great granddaughters, Gretchen Martin and one on the way, Piper, due in October.

A graveside service with full military honors will be held at 10:30 AM on Thursday, September 3 at Coddle Creek ARP Church Cemetery. A

Celebration of Mike's life will follow at 11:00 AM at the church with Rev. James A. Hunt officiating. The family will receive friends immediately following the service in the church family life center.

Memorials may be made to Coddle Creek ARP Church, 2297 Coddle Creek Hwy, Mooresville, NC 28115 and/or Levine & Dickson Hospice House, 11900 Vanstory Drive, Huntersville, NC 28078.

Tribute Wall



“ *Michael Towell Johnston*

February 14, 2021 at 11:24 AM



“ *Michael Towell Johnston*

February 14, 2021 at 11:04 AM



“ *Michael Towell Johnston*

February 14, 2021 at 11:03 AM



“ *Rest in piece my friend you were a big help to me and to the plant.*

Edmond Kalestiantz - September 04, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ *Always had a place in my heart for Mike & "Little Mikey". God Bless*

Betty Lipe - September 03, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ *Mrs. Johnston & Family May your memories be forever a comfort Go
bless your Family.*

Roy & Audry Harris - September 03, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ *Mike was a good man. Prayers with the family.*

Debbie C Gibbs - September 03, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SC

“ It was great working with Mike in the Quality Assurance Dept. at Mt. Holly - Freightliner. He was so easy to get along with and will be missed.

Steve Culp - September 03, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CK

“ We were so sorry to hear of Mike's passing. Our prayers go out to Pat and the entire family.

Cotton Ketchie - September 03, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SS

“ A beautiful service, sending love and prayers for continuing healing. Nice seeing family but I'm sorry it was under these circumstances. God bless!

Sherry Shook - September 03, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MM

“ Mike, ee have not talked for a few years, I have always regarded you and Pat as goo friends.Thanks for your service and for akll the good and bad times at work. Rest my friend, you in our Lord's arms now.Mark & Patricia Moseley

Mark Moseley - September 03, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ We are so sorry over the loss of Mike. Our heart, thoughts, and prayers are with you, Pat, and your entire family. May you find peace, comfort, and strength in the days to come.

Jimmy and Gail Brotherton - September 03, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MC

“ Sorry to hear about Mike, Pat and family our prays are with you.

Mickey & Ann Caldwell - September 03, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DA

“ A great man who will be missed by many. Sending my love to the family.

Dean Amanda - September 02, 2015 at 12:00 AM

NS

“ My thoughts and prayers are with the family. Mike was a wonderful man. He was a bright light to many,many people. I enjoyed his love for life and his family. He helped me many times while I was working with him at our NC Freightliner plants. God Speed Mike.

Noreen Simon - September 02, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ I just read the nice obituary... I am very sorry I never met him but I have had the privilege of being in Pat's, Lisa's and Jeffrey's lives as well as that darling Gretchen... Mike's last thought must have been how blessed he was to be surrounded by such wonderful children and people that are the true sense of kindness and love.... God bles all of you...

Jean, Sydney and Thomas Harris - September 02, 2015 at 12:00 AM

HH

“ So many memories of Mike. A good man is the phrase that keeps slipping through my mind when I think of Mike. God speed. May his family find comfort from the one who loves us all.

Hilda Hager - September 02, 2015 at 12:00 AM

GL

“ Rest in peace my friend, one of my mentors. My prayers go out to the family. He is and will always be a great friend and person.

Greg Loyd - September 02, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DL

“ To Mike's Family- I am saddened at the news. Condolences to all family and those fortunate to know Mike and Kenneth. Sincerely, David Lowrance, MHS Class of 1965.

David Lowrance - September 02, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MS

“ My thoughts and prayers are with you in your time of grief. May your memories bring you comfort.

Mr.&Mrs. Robert Alan Smith - September 02, 2015 at 12:00 AM

RH

“ Lisa and family, Our deepest sympathy for your loss. Love to you all and God Bless.

Ronnie & Terry Honeycutt - September 01, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DH

“ Mike, Jennifer, and Family, We are so sorry to hear of your loss. May God wrap His loving arms around you, hold you close, and give you peace during this time. We love you.

Donna & Bruce Hager - September 01, 2015 at 12:00 AM

RH

“ Pat and family, we are deeply saddened by your lost. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Mike and I had many great times and memories starting the Freightline Mt. Holly plant up back in the day.

Raymond & Margaret Hobbs - September 01, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JP

“ We know Mike will be greatly missed by his family but he will also be missed at North Carolina Hunting Club. We are glad we had the privilege of getting to know him there. He was a good man. You have my deepest sympathy. Johnny Pennington & Dale Pennington China Grove, North Carolina

Johnny Pennington - September 01, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CB

“ Pat, I was so sad to hear of Mike's passing. He was such a good friend to Bob. In all the years I knew him, he always made me feel as part of the family. Never a fifth wheel. He will be missed. You are in my prayers.

carol riley barber - September 01, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CM

“ Mike was my friend and Vietnam brother. I know he will be missed my many. My prayers are with you now because I know Mike is already with our Lord.

Cliff Miller - September 01, 2015 at 12:00 AM

PW

“ Pat and family we are so sorry to hear of Mike's passing. Mike and Posey go back a few years and both Vietnam vets. Our prayers are with you. Posey is very upset with this sad news.

Posey and Virginia Williams - September 01, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MB

“ Prayers to Pat and family. So sorry for your loss.

Mike Brewer - September 01, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ My condolences to Mike's family. We had good memories together at Freightliner. Brian Martin

September 01, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ To Family We are truly sorry to hear of Mikes' passing. Larry and Shirley Jarrett

September 01, 2015 at 12:00 AM

RH

“ To Pat & Family May god bless and keep you safe at this time may your memories and his love be a comfort to you as time goes by.

Roy & Audry Harris - September 01, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JF

“ To Pat & Family, So sorry to hear of Mike's passing. Mike is now free from pain & suffering. He is having a family celebration in heaven. We love you all dearly.

Janet & Wayne Fitzpatrick - August 31, 2015 at 12:00 AM

TS

“ So sorry for your loss.. Our thoughts and prayers are with the family.

Trish and Donnie Smith - August 31, 2015 at 12:00 AM