



Mitchell Wade Kennerly

August 6, 1936 - June 22, 2023

Mitchell "Mick" Wade Kennerly, 86, departed for his heavenly home on June 22, 2023, where he was greeted by his son, Bruce Kennerly, and they picked up conversations about Mick's beloved Atlanta Braves.

Mick was born in Mecklenburg County to Ruby Dane Caldwell on August 6, 1936. He was raised by Lemmie White Kennerly and Bruce Reid Kennerly in Iredell County, and they preceded him in death. He was also preceded in death by a half-brother, Steve Caldwell, and a son, Bruce Reid Kennerly.

Mick is survived by his loving wife of 61 years, Lynda Goodrum Kennerly, son James Kennerly, grandson JD (Jessica) Kennerly, two great grandchildren Kylie Faith Kennerly and Edward "Reid" Kennerly, daughter-in-law Jenny Kennerly White, and former daughter-in-law Julie Kennerly. "Pop" was an amazing husband, dad, father-in-law, and grandpa who would light up when his littlest grands would come for a visit.

Mick was a proud graduate of Mooresville High School and always wore his high school class ring. His love of Blue Devils extended past Mooresville to include Duke basketball, and he and his UNC Chapel Hill loving daughter in law enjoyed many great rivalry moments between Duke and Carolina. After graduation, Mick volunteered for service in the US Army in November 1956. He spent most of his time in Germany and was a driver for upper brass

personnel. He was released from active duty in October 1959 and returned to Mooresville to begin his family and life with Lynda.

Mick was employed by JN Pease, Associates in Charlotte for most of his working career. Additionally, he worked at the Mooresville Recreation Department for over 20 years. Mick also served his community as a Volunteer Firefighter with the South Iredell Volunteer Fire Department, thus beginning a tradition of fire service that would include Bruce and JD.

Mick had several loves. First and foremost, he loved his family. He and Lynda loved each other tremendously and together created a loving home for Bruce and James. He had such pride in Bruce, James, and JD, and was over the moon for Kylie and Reid. He also loved his dogs, especially Max and Lucy 1 and Lucy 2. Mick would be seen around town taking the dogs for rides in his green pickup truck. Mick also loved baseball and coached many young Mooresville boys in Little League, as well as in church softball. His favorite professional baseball team was the Atlanta Braves, and he would sit and enjoy watching them and coaching from his recliner. Lastly, Mick loved sweets! His favorites were Hershey Miniatures, melt away peppermints, and Bruce's black walnut pound cake with a brown sugar glaze icing.

Mick leaves behind a long legacy of kindness and laughter, and his dry sense of humor will be missed by many.

The family will receive friends on Tuesday, June 27 from 1:00-2:00 PM with a service following at 2:00 PM at the chapel of Cavin-Cook Funeral Home. An inurnment will follow the service at Glenwood Memorial Park.

For those unable to attend the service please use the following link to view the service: <https://view.oneroomstreaming.com/index.php?data=MTY4NzgyNjY4NzI1ODU3MiZvbmVyb29tLWFkbWluJmNvcHlfbGluaw==>

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Lake Norman Humane Society, 2106 Charlotte Hwy, Mooresville, NC 28117.

Cavin-Cook Funeral Home & Crematory, Mooresville, is serving the Kennerly family. Condolences may be made to the family at www.cavin-cook.com.

Cemetery Details

Cavin-Cook FH & Crematory

494 E. Plaza Drive
Mooresville, NC 28115

Previous Events

Receiving Friends

JUN 27. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Cavin-Cook Funeral Home
494 E. Plaza Drive
Mooresville, NC 28115

Memorial Service

JUN 27. 2:00 PM - 2:45 PM (ET)

Cavin-Cook Chapel
494 E. Plaza Drive
Mooresville, NC 28115

Graveside Service

JUN 27. 3:00 PM - 3:30 PM (ET)

Glenwood Memorial Park
273 Glenwood Drive
Mooresville, NC 28115

Tribute Wall



“ *Cavin-Cook Funeral Home & Crematory created a Webcast in memory of Mitchell Wade Kennerly*



Cavin-Cook Funeral Home & Crematory - June 26, 2023 at 04:45 PM

JD

“ *I was so sorry to hear Mick had passed away. I only knew Mick for about 5 or 6 years, but he was a blessing for me. We loved baseball and shared our passion for the game on many occasions. We coached against each other and with each other and we both enjoyed and loved the young boys we had the opportunity/pleasure to coach. Regardless of the fact that we knew each other for a short period, I loved Mick like a brother. Mick, thank you for your friendship and the memories!!*

Jerry Davey - July 06, 2023 at 04:52 PM

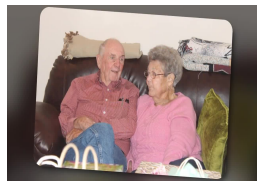
TD

“ So sorry to find out about Mick's passing. I played Midget League at Liberty Park for the Astros in '77,'78 and '79. Mick loved being around Baseball and was most passionate about sharing his knowledge of the game with the younger generations. You didn't have to play for Mick, for him to show an interest in you or to share helpful pointers with you. I truly believe he loved ALL kids. He will be greatly missed. This is certainly Heaven's gain and a loss to those left behind. 'Til we meet again, Coach! Much love and best wishes to Lynda, James and Family & Friends of this fine Man. God Bless you all...

Tim Davey - June 28, 2023 at 03:11 PM

MR

“ 1 file added to the album Videos



Michael Roberts - June 27, 2023 at 01:58 PM

CM

“ LINDA, SO SORRY ABOUT MITCH, HE WAS A SPECIAL FRIEND TO ME, WE WERE TOGETHER IN GERMANY, WE HAD A GOOD TIME WORKING TOGETHER, HE COULD ALWAYS KEEP US LAUGHING.. THOUGH I NEVER GOT TO MEET YOU, IN ENJOYED TALKING TO YOU ON PHONE,II FELT LIKE PART OF FAMILY. I AM PRAYING FOR YOU. GOD BLESS YOU. CHARLES MRPHY

CHARLES MURPHY - June 27, 2023 at 01:13 PM

BS

“ My prayers go out to Lynda, James, and family on Mick's passing. As he did for so many boys in Mooresville, Mick helped fuel the love of baseball for me and my Midget League Dodger teammates during the summers of 1972, 1973, and 1974. That love and the memory of Mick's passion for baseball has lasted a lifetime. Games with Coach Mick at Liberty Park and chasing his moon shot fungoes at Moor Park will always remain special memories. May God comfort Lynda, James, and family at this time.

Boyce Sherrill - June 26, 2023 at 07:24 PM



“ It was always a pleasure to see Mick. He was always funny and loved to talk. Bruce and James were raised to be good men and they were and are. My prayers are with the family during this difficult time. I'm sure he was ecstatic to be with Bruce again. They will be waiting on the other side for the rest of you. I can only imagine how big Mack's smile is to be in heaven. Love you all

Janet Barnette - June 25, 2023 at 05:28 PM

MB

“ Prayers go out to the Kennerly family. Seems like I have known Mick my whole life. We shared a love of baseball. In basketball he loved to give it to me when my Tar Heels lost. Never seen a better man. He will be missed. Mike Brewer

Mike Brewer - June 25, 2023 at 02:52 PM

TN

“ *Fine man and great family. His lack of hearing in old age drove me nuts. Now I am in same boat. Praying for family and friend left behind.*

Tom Nixon - June 24, 2023 at 02:17 PM

CH

“ *A fine man and family. Always enjoyed talking to Mick at the rec league games.*

Cliff Homesley - June 24, 2023 at 07:28 AM



“ *1 file added to the album Baseball Teams*



Richard Oliphant - June 23, 2023 at 06:40 PM

JE

And there is Bruce too! ❤️

jenny - June 23, 2023 at 07:47 PM



Mickey was my cousin I remember him so much his humor which was so dry and was there when I needed him he was close to my Daddy and he would bring laughter where he would go enjoy being with Bruce your Dad and Mom and and my parents as well love you ❤️

Susan Harmon - June 24, 2023 at 07:33 AM

BL

“ I was blessed to have known Mick and his family. I have fond memories of the time that I was around them. His interest in kids athletics gave me the same desire when my kids came through and I was able to pass it on also. To the family I thank you for allowing me to have a few moments of his life. Trust in God and he will help you through this difficult time.

Barry Luffman

Barry Luffman - June 23, 2023 at 05:44 PM