

Michael Anthony Coffey

July 31, 1964 - September 23, 2023

Michael Anthony Coffey was born on July 31, 1964, in Phoenix, Arizona to Mildred Ezetta Coffey and Tommy Gene Coffey, Sr. He departed this life at 59 years old on Saturday, September 23, 2023, in his home in Chesapeake, Virginia.

Michael was a 1983 graduate of Western Branch High School in Chesapeake, Virginia. After graduating high school, he was employed at Gwaltney Meats and then at Mitsubishi in Chesapeake. He met and later married Malikah Sabon Daniels on August 17, 1996. With the promise of new employment, they moved to San Antonio, Texas, and from this union was born, Mekhi Anthony Coffey, Michael's pride and joy. When his time in Texas came to an end, Michael returned to Chesapeake to be closer to his family.

His name was Michael, but he was also known as "Mike Mingles" the DJ, always ready for a good party. Mike, "the Rib King", his greatest joy came from cooking for family and friends. He was a lover of sports and loved the Los Angeles Lakers and LeBron James. Michael was an amazing son, father, brother, uncle and friend. He didn't just leave; He left an awesome legacy and some great memories for a lot of people.

Michael was predeceased by his maternal grandparents, Reeder and Beatrice Hendrix; paternal grandmother, Mattie Mae Sweat. He leaves to cherish his

memories, his son, Mekhi Anthony Coffey; his mother, Mildred Ezetta Coffey; his father, Tommy Gene Coffey, Sr. (Barbara); one brother, Tommy Gene Coffey, Jr. (Andrea); five sisters, Cheryl Coffey Black, Lisa Coffey Green, Robin Anderson (Byron), Tracey Ann Coffey, Tamika Coffey; one stepsister, Cheryl Skinner (Ivan). He leaves five nieces, Brandi Coffey, Ashley Green, Alexis Green, Jasmine Anderson, and Montarai Battle; five nephews, Courtney Coffey (Mia), Eric Black, Jr. (Nina), Corey Coffey, Derek Black, Tommy "TJ" Williams; six great nieces, Sinai Banks, Zoey Coffey, Londyn Coffey, Makayla Black, Tenia Gray, and Kalyia Lofton; two great nephews, Kameron Suggs and Bryson Black. He leaves behind many loving friends he adopted as family, especially his Cedar Grove Family.

Left with fond memories is his Very Special friend, Ms. Michelle Jones Bazemore.

Previous Events

Service

OCT 4. 11:00 AM (ET)

Grove Church
5910 W Norfolk Rd
Portsmouth, VA 23703
(757) 484-4149

Tribute Wall



“ J.T. Fisher Funeral Services created a Tribute Video in memory of Michael Anthony Coffey



J. T. Fisher Funeral Services - October 04, 2023 at 02:48 PM

TC

Love Ya...Lil Big Bro...❤️❤️❤️

Tracey Coffey - October 06, 2023 at 10:27 PM

BC

Peaceful rest, Michael!!!!

Beverly Coffey - October 07, 2023 at 09:39 AM

DW

“ I am just now learning of Mike's passing...and I should have known. Mike was a great friend to my exhusband Jaye Walker, also a part of the Western Branch/Cedar Grove Family. Mike always checked on me and my kids after Jaye passed. And promised to always keep us in the fold with the WB/Texas Crew. He will be greatly missed.



Deedra Walker - June 17, 2024 at 10:39 AM

LH

“ *Laverne Howard lit a candle in memory of Michael Coffe*r



Laverne Howard - October 04, 2023 at 08:39 PM

AT

“ *Angela Taylor lit a candle in memory of Michael Coffe*r.



Angela Taylor - October 04, 2023 at 02:28 PM

TH

“ *I'm going to miss the phone calls and text checking on me. I also will miss my birthday call from you this year. I will always cherish how you always showed up and supported me and my kids. Love You.*

Tenisha Holland - October 04, 2023 at 02:06 PM

YW

“ *Yolanda White lit a candle in memory of Michael Coffe*r.



Yolanda White - October 04, 2023 at 12:40 PM

YF

“ Our deepest sympathy to Mekhi, Millie and the entire Coffer family. Mike was one of a kind and will be missed. We love you all.
Connie Fountain and Yvette Perry.



Yvette Perry and Connie Fountain - October 04, 2023 at 12:34 PM

AQ

“ Angela Quattlebaum lit a candle in memory of Michael Coffer.



Angela Quattlebaum - October 04, 2023 at 09:12 AM

BE

“ Beverly Edmonds lit a candle in memory of Michael Coffer.



Beverly Edmonds - October 04, 2023 at 07:44 AM

GF

“ Gay F. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Michael Anthony Coffer.

Gay F. - October 03, 2023 at 10:59 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Michael Anthony Coffe.*



October 03, 2023 at 08:18 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Michael Anthony Coffe.*



October 03, 2023 at 04:06 PM



“ *May all who knew, and loved Mike find peace..*

PJ Donovan - October 03, 2023 at 12:21 PM



“ *I remember Michael from WB High School. He was a sweetheart then, and we reconnected on FB. He was such a good man and my heart goes out to his family. Rest in Peace brother.*

julie young ingham - October 03, 2023 at 10:20 AM

“ October 4, 2023

“Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor.”

Romans 12:9-10 NRSV

Growing up in Holly Cove was quite an adventure for me from the years of 1977-1986 upon graduating Western Branch High School. Holly Cove at times could be a demanding and tough neighborhood yet there were families that gave me a sense of home amidst the folly I witnessed and some I foolishly at times engaged in.

One of the families in Holly Cove off of Schooner Trail that had the prettiest girls in the neighborhood were the Coffers. One daughter in particular that I had a boyhood crush on kept a smile on my face as I would write her letters and get someone to pass them to her in school while I would be singing to myself “Watching You” by the R&B group Slave.

Their brother Mike was one of the older guys in the neighborhood whom I considered a big brother. Unlike some of the other older guys in the neighborhood who could be mean and hostile, Mike would crack jokes with me and on me as a way to remind me not to take life so seriously and that there is joy and laughter that can be found in life.

I am grateful to have reconnected with Mike years later and we processed some of our experiences growing up in Holly Cove. I found him to be a great listener and teacher. I count it a blessing for him to have played a significant part of my formative years.

To the Coffer family, the verse simply says to let love be genuine, hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good, love one another with mutual affection and outdo one another in showing love I believe

that Mike sincerely tried to that with his life and he would desire that you all would always live that way with one another.

On behalf of myself and the Officers and Members of the Metropolitan Wesley A.M.E. Zion Church in Washington, DC., I extend to you my prayers and sincerest condolences during this time. I am just one of the young sons of Holly Cove who love and appreciate who Mike was/is and what he gave to those he knew and loved. Though I am unable to physically be with you today, my heart is with you and I am always available to you and for you long after the calls, texts and cards lessen. I will strive in allowing my love for you to remain genuine.

Yours In Christ,

*Heath L. Cheek
Rev. Heath L. Cheek, D.Min.
Pastor*

Heath Cheek - October 03, 2023 at 04:50 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Michael Anthony Coffey.

October 03, 2023 at 12:13 AM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Michael Anthony Coffey.



October 03, 2023 at 12:13 AM

AB

“ My heart is still heavy, but I know God makes no mistakes, you're forever be in my memories and thoughts, as if it was only yesterday we laughed about Netflix and Peacock. No more Commanders v. Giants discussions, heavy ones that is lol. I will not delete, I will keep those memories forever. I will rejoice for I know heaven is your destination, cooking and playing music. You're loved ones will be in my prayers!
Love always from CT,
Angela aka Blugurl38 forever #AOL 💙🙏



Angela Blue - October 02, 2023 at 09:59 PM



“ 33 files added to the album Life Tributes



J. T. Fisher Funeral Services - October 02, 2023 at 04:23 PM

SD

“ Words can't express how Charles & I feel right now. We were in disbelief when we heard of the passing of our dear friend & brother from another mother Michael. He could smoke a turkey like no other. We're going to miss you bro. Take your rest now you've done your job here on earth & job well done as a Son, Father, brother , uncle, cousin & friend to everyone who knew you. My prayers to the entire Coffey family, his son & friends. May God give you the extra added strength that you will need to get through these few days & days to come. Just know better days are coming. Love from Charles Hobbs & Sebrena Daughtry



Sebrena R Daughtry - October 01, 2023 at 09:04 PM

DR

“ I am still speechless!! Such a young and gentle person gone way too soon. He tried to play hard, but he was such a nice guy and a proud “mama’s boy”. I will miss your friendship, crazy banter, and your grill skills. I send love and comfort to the family. Mike will definitely be missed!



Denise Russell - October 01, 2023 at 05:13 PM

LP

“ I cannot believe this, meaning that you are gone. I was looking for someone else obituary and came across your name. I'm overwhelmed by this. I'll never randomly run into you again on this earth. Rest on Michael.

Lonna Porter - October 01, 2023 at 07:18 AM

DG

“ I have been devastated for the last week. Mike and I were friends since 1979. We didn't speak daily but had a tight bond that picked up exactly where we left off when we reconnected. He was a great chef and listener. I saw him at Bubba and Franks Smokehouse and we talked about old times and that we needed to stay in contact more. My dear friend we never got that opportunity. Condolences to the family. He truly was a genuine gentleman and friend that was loved by all he encountered.



Denise Jennings Green - October 01, 2023 at 01:58 AM

LP

“ *Lonna Porter lit a candle in memory of Michael Coffey*



Lonna Porter - September 30, 2023 at 11:04 PM

DS

“ *Man, I didn't know that the talk we had on Wednesday that it was going to be our last man.*

Demond Shepard - September 30, 2023 at 08:34 PM

CD

“ *Cathy Davis lit a candle in memory of Michael Coffe*

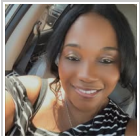


Cathy Davis - September 30, 2023 at 02:14 PM

CD

“ *Wow...I've never had trouble or any problem trying to find words to say or express but right now....I am speechless. I didn't think I would have to be saying goodbye and so soon. We were just talking about meeting up for DCHS Homecoming Game. All the laughter we shared. LONG talks..just reminiscing about our high school days and all the Fun Fun Fun we had. I'm truly going to miss you "Mr. Mike". My Condolences to his Son, Mom and the entire Coffe Family*❤️

Cathy Davis - September 30, 2023 at 02:13 PM



“ *It's funny how we sometimes don't realize how special a person is to us until it's too late. Mike we had that type of friendship where as I expected to hear from you from time to time. I appreciated you for who you were and will not forget our moments. Rest in peace* ❤️

Valerie Vann-Stone - September 30, 2023 at 12:50 PM

WM

“ *C - Dawg ...I'm going to miss u ...Since I met u 2020 u just been an outspoken person...Rest easy ..I'm going to cherish the work memories*

Whitney Martin - September 29, 2023 at 10:38 PM

SB

“ Mike, you got me, I dont know what to say, for once...lol.

I am lost for words. I will miss our crazy conversations, over football, food and the best way to work out.

The laughter we shared looking at Tracy facebook viedos. You were a great friend to me.

I will miss you!

Sinese

Sinese B - September 29, 2023 at 09:35 AM

MB

“ I really understand what it feels like to have a broken heart. 💔 We have been the love of each others lives for many years. ❤️ Gods plan has taken precedence over mine. I trust and believe that you are at Peace and in the Lords arms. Thank you Michael for all the love and good times we've shared through this journey of life. ☐ Love ❤️ you forever, Michelle

Michelle Bazemore - September 29, 2023 at 06:43 AM

MY

“ Mike I haven't seen u since WBHS days looking toward the house parties on Friday's I was very sorry to hear about your transitioning to go be with our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ and everyone can say you a was person if you were having a bad day you will have everyone laughing you will be dearly missed on this earth but carried in everyone's heart and i no when the Holy Ghost Party was going on u were dancing and blended right in REST IN HEAVEN MIKE ANDGOD COMFORT Mike family right now Lord bc they neeu now.WBHS FRIEND Marilyn

Marilyn Young - September 28, 2023 at 11:14 PM

SJ

“ Mike, you and Tyrone have been friends forever, but I had the pleasure of knowing you through Tyrone. We all would get together, eat, and just have genuine fun. We would joke with each other with you giving me the name “big foot” and me giving you the name “pin cushion head”. I’m going to miss that ...😞 You were like a brother to the both of us. You will truly, truly be missed. 😞 May you rest in peace. Love Sharon Jordan

Sharon Jordan - September 28, 2023 at 09:25 PM

DJ

“ Crazy Michael - You always made me laugh - you always listened - you always cooked the best meal and then you made me dance off all that food (you were the best DJ) - you will be missed! You will always be loved! RIH my BMF!

Daiquiri Jewell - September 28, 2023 at 03:14 PM

RB

“ Hey bro, hadn’t seen you since school days, I follow you on fb, and all that good food you were cooking. Hey Mike go on and take your rest, we love you but God loved you best!!!! Pastor Randy Brown school mates!!

Randy Brown - September 28, 2023 at 12:05 PM



“ Hey Uncle Mike. I love you. I miss you. & I pray that you are resting peacefully. Forever in my heart — Butta



Ashley Green - September 28, 2023 at 05:35 AM

AG

“ Hey Unk.
I love you.
I miss you.
& I pray you are resting peacefully.
Forever your niece
— Butta.

Ashley Green - September 27, 2023 at 10:39 PM

BC

“ Uncle Mike! I am going to miss you like crazy! Who else is going to call me “Thick James” 😂! I can't believe you are no longer here with us but I know you are in a better place now! I love you and will miss you deeply! Love Always & Forever, Your oldest niece, Brandi!

Brandi Coffey - September 27, 2023 at 03:24 PM

AP

“ Never a dull moment with you. The laughter, the fun and the love of friendship with us is forever. I guess this is see you later, babyboy. You were not just a friend but family to Wayne and I. Always and forever.....Angela and Wayne Perry.

Angela Perry - September 27, 2023 at 03:13 PM