



Michael Lee Acree

September 4, 1953 - October 11, 2021

Michael Acree, age 68, of Proctor, WV, passed away at his home on Monday, October 11, after a short battle with cancer.

He was born September 4, 1953, in Charleston, WV, Bonnie M. Acree and June (Lykins) Acree.

After graduating high school, he worked at Corning Glass before becoming a certified welder at Hobart Welding Institute. He retired from North American Coal Company, Quarto # 4 mine, Powhatan Point, OH.

He was a member of the Proctor Christian Church, UMWA and Loyal Order of the Moose Lodge #931 since 1976. Mike was a musician and songwriter and wrote several songs. He played music with many musicians and venues up and down the Ohio River. He formed "The Rebel Shelter Band" in 1985 and from there "The Back-to-Back Band". He was nominated in 1998 by Jessica Culpepper Music BMI of Nashville, TN for the prestigious Trail Blazer Award for two of his songs "She Can Dance" and "Last Request". He played at Jamboree in the Hills in 1996.

Survivors include his wife of 45 years, Cheri (Cross) Acree; Mother June Acree; a daughter, Tiffany (Brett) Leary; granddaughter Kynlee June Leary, (which he doted on) and grandson Zev Anthony Leary of Proctor; two brothers, Joe Acree of Proctor, and David (Kelley) Acree of Paden City, WV; Sister-in-law Linda (Jim) Simms of Mount Clare, WV; Jean Mayfield of St. Mary's, WV; Nephews Jimmy (Nicole) Simms, Matt (Shannon) Lookadoo, Colby Acree and Nieces, Marcie (Eric) Kincaid, Billie Jo (Matt) Haddox,

Christa (Franklin) King, Jodi (Steve) Kandybowicz, Aimee (Brad) Ducker and Hayley Acree; Uncles Harold "Doc" (Jan) Lykins and Larry Bunfill.

He was preceded in death by his father, Bonnie M. Acree, father-in-law William (Bill) Cross and mother-in-law Betty (Baxter) Cross; sister-in-law Nancy (Cross) Davis and Aunt Helen Bunfill.

All are invited to attend a graveside service on Wednesday at 2:00 pm at Greenlawn Memorial Park, New Martinsville, with Linda Simms officiating. Arrangements entrusted to Grisell Funeral Home and Crematory, New Martinsville, WV.

Sympathy expressions at grisellfuneralhomes.com

Cemetery Details

Greenlawn Memorial Park

N. State Route 2
New Martinsville, WV 26155

Previous Events

Graveside

OCT **13**. 2:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

DS

“ I can't think of one time Mike was kind and friendly. His whole friendly was. And Cheri was just the same. Such a wonderful family! Really heartbroken for his family and us (classmates). Mike was the sort of man you just hoped to run into. I rarely did after moving, but glad for those who got that privilege on a regular basis. 🙏💕

Donna Snyder - October 19, 2021 at 04:44 PM

DS

Well, let me try again...Can't think of one time Mike wasn't kind. His whole family was. Had to make those corrections.

Donna Snyder - October 19, 2021 at 04:48 PM

CM

“ So very sorry for your loss. God bless you all

Cathy Morris - October 16, 2021 at 10:26 AM

JA

“ So very sorry for you and the family, Cheri.
Mike was my first friend when I started at Magnolia and looked out for me. He was such a great guy.
Our prayers for you and the family.
Joe Andrews

Joe Andrews - October 15, 2021 at 08:22 PM



“ Sympathy Gift Vintage Wind Chime - "I Have You In My Heart" was purchased for the family of Michael Lee Acree.



October 13, 2021 at 04:57 PM



“ mike was a good friend of junior's and me. He will be missed . prayers for the family cherri, tiffanY, and his brothers ,dave and joe and mom june and grandchildren and the rest.



debbie smith - October 12, 2021 at 04:31 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Michael Lee Acree.



October 12, 2021 at 01:42 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Michael Lee Acree.



October 12, 2021 at 12:12 PM

LN

“ We are so very sorry to hear of your loss. We will be keeping you in our thoughts. Prayers for you and the family in this time of sorrow.

Leroy & Nila - October 12, 2021 at 10:23 AM

DB

“ June and Family, So sorry to hear of Mike's passing. We have great memories of Mike, Joe, and Dave growing up in Proctor. Good times for all of us. May you always remember the good times.
Mike and Debbie Bates

Debbie Bates - October 12, 2021 at 10:07 AM



“ Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased for the family of Michael Lee Acree.



October 11, 2021 at 08:06 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Michael Lee Acree.



October 11, 2021 at 07:32 PM



“ *Days of Sunshine Bouquet was purchased for the family of Michael Lee Acree.*



October 11, 2021 at 06:49 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Michael Lee Acree.*



October 11, 2021 at 01:46 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Michael Lee Acree.*



October 11, 2021 at 01:42 PM



“ *3 files added to the tribute wall*



Tiffany Acree - October 11, 2021 at 01:41 PM

TA

“ 27 files added to the tribute wall



Tiffany Acree - October 11, 2021 at 01:23 PM

BM

“ Cheri & Tiffany,
I am so sorry for your loss. I knew <ole from school & coming up to
the Ole Mans.

Betty Ann Mitchell-Thomas - October 11, 2021 at 12:21 PM

BM

Mike sorry for typo

Betty Ann Mitchell-Thomas - October 11, 2021 at 12:23 PM