



## Michael "Slick" Calinger

May 14, 1952 - April 2, 2017

Michael "Slick" Calinger, age 64, of Glen Dale, went to be with the Lord after a brief battle with lung cancer, on Sunday, April 2, 2017 at Liza's Place, Wheeling.

He was born May 14, 1952 in Glen Dale, WV.

Mike recently retired from AEP Kammer Mitchell Plant. He was born and raised in Glen Dale and never had a desire to leave the area he loved. Mike was completely content to live a simple life with childhood friends that he cherished. He was a big guy with even a bigger heart, and he embodied the phrase "Gentle Giant".

He had a kind and humble spirit and a great smile. He will be deeply missed by his family and many friends.

We have hope that we will see him again, because he had trust in Jesus Christ as his Lord and Savior.

In honor of his memory please make today the day that you quit smoking and cheer for the Steelers.

He was preceded in death by his father: Walter Calinger and one brother: Donald Calinger.

Survivors include his mother: Mary Calinger of Glen Dale; two sisters: JoAnne Elliott of Scottsdale, AZ and Marilyn (Jack) Dove of Richmond, VA and five nieces and nephews and his beloved dog: Buster.

At Michael's request there will be no visitation.

Private interment will be held at the convenience of the family.

Arrangements entrusted to Grisell Funeral Home and Crematory, Moundsville,  
WV

# Cemetery Details

**Grisell Crematory**

# Tribute Wall

SG

“ *Sandy Truex Gallentine lit a candle in memory of Michael "Slick" Calinger*



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**sandy truex gallentine** - November 24, 2018 at 11:25 AM

BM

“ *I remember Slick always barefoot or at the most in flip flops! He along with many of my brother's (Jeff) friends around our house are some of my fondest memories. A much simpler time. My deepest sympathy. Becky (McCheskey) McDermott*

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**Becky McDermott** - April 08, 2017 at 07:43 AM

JZ

“ *My deepest sympathy and prayers to Slick's family. I have so many memories of growing up together and "hanging out". Two on two touch football at GD court, church league basketball, Wheeling Ironman football games with you and your dad, awesome Steeler championship games in the 70', and just growing up in the best decades ever. My thoughts and prayers are with you good friend. Rest in peace Slick. Jim Zorn*

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**Jim Zorn** - April 05, 2017 at 08:28 PM

LM

“ My prayers for Mike and family. Been away to long haven"t seen Slick in years.

*Went thru grade and high school with him, had many day on the court with Slick.*

*RIP old friend.*

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**Leo Myers** - April 04, 2017 at 08:03 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Michael "Slick" Calinger.



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April 04, 2017 at 02:47 AM

FB

“ I did not meet Mike until I started school at Union. He was truly unique. He was always kind and always had a smile. I worked at the soda fountain at Myers Drug and always enjoyed taking care of him when he came in. He had a great sense of humor and willing to help. My heartfelt sympathy on the passing of your Slick and God reward him and comfort you. Prayers for Slick and all of the family.

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**Francie Brak-myers** - April 04, 2017 at 12:11 AM

JZ

“ Dear Mrs. Calinger and family, I remember Michael as Slick since I was young growing up on Alta Vista. I remember his laugh, his good looks(all the girls thought he was gorgeous) and no matter where you were he always talked with you. The last time I spoke with Slick was about a year ago at Dairy Mart and he still remembered me. That's why he was amazing , he was just a fun loving, polite hometown guy. I am sorry for your pain and know Slick would want all of us to remember him like we were still kids roaming the streets of Glen Dale making Friends like Slick. With sincere sadness at the loss of our gentle giant. Joette Hogan Zeigler.

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**joette zeigler** - April 03, 2017 at 09:57 PM

JR

“ My heartfelt condolences to Slick's family. He truly was a "Gentle Giant". I bartend at the Marshall Club. There were many nights that it was just the two of us in there. I'm going to miss our conversations. Jodie

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**Jodie Rose** - April 03, 2017 at 08:53 PM

EW

“ So very sorry. Prayers to his family.....Erica Wellman RN Dr Das office

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**Erica Wellman** - April 03, 2017 at 06:37 PM

RH

“ We would like to take a moment to extend our sympathies to Mike "Slick's" family. He was a friend to both myself and my wife. I worked with him for many years and we had some really good times on and off the job. We pray that you take comfort in the fact that he is at peace with our Lord and Savior. GOD BLESS  
Chick and Debbie Henderson

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**Robert henderson** - April 03, 2017 at 05:22 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Michael "Slick" Calinger.*



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April 03, 2017 at 01:52 PM



“ *Perfect obit about Slick (but as many who have passed on, I prefer not to be reading it)...One of those iconic guys from my youth and into my adulthood who many didn't know his real first or even his last name.....In recent years, I always enjoyed talking to Slick at The Landing whether it be about sports, retirement, gambling, politics, or the characters from our youth and adulthood who we've crossed paths with over the years. He was definitely one of the "GOOD GUY'S" and as honest as they come, (as we age, the most honorable trait).....My thoughts and sympathy go out to all of his family and many friends. He'll be missed by many and always remembered.....TIME IS .....TIME WAS...TIME WILL NEVER BE AGAIN.....GOODBYE TO THE WIRY HAired,"BAREFOOT" , GLEN DALE BASKETBALL PLAYER WITH A BIG HEART*

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**Jay Knapp** - April 03, 2017 at 11:43 AM



“ *Prayers and sympathy to the Calinger family. I enjoyed working with and around Slick many years. God Bless.*

*Rick Perry*

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**Rick Perry** - April 03, 2017 at 11:34 AM

RO

“ I send a mountain of sympathy to all the family. Mike was someone I believed would be on Zane Street forever. The stories I could tell about my friendship with him are legion. I will miss him (as I have missed my very good friend, his brother Don, these many years). He was truly a man with a kind heart. May God be with him.

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**Russ "Big Oz" Osmianski** - April 03, 2017 at 09:05 AM

DA

“ My sincere and deepest condolences to the family and friends of "Slick". Denny Albaugh

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**Dennis R Albaugh** - April 03, 2017 at 08:05 AM

RO

“ My most heartfelt condolences go out to the Calinger family and all of those friends who will greatly miss Slick. My memories of our friendship could fill volumes, from school, growing up in Glen Dale, through the last time we spoke not too long ago. As much as I would like to say here, I just can't find the words to express what this loss means to me. Goodbye old friend...Till we meet again.  
Ron "Oz" Osmianski

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**Ron Osmianski** - April 03, 2017 at 05:56 AM