



Michael Anthony Nordyke

November 23, 1991 - February 23, 2018

Michael Anthony Nordyke age 26 of Dayton died Friday, February 29, 2018 in Bledsoe County due to injuries he suffered in a motorcycle accident. Michael was born in Weatherford, TX on November 29, 1991 and moved to Dayton when he was six months old. He was a graduate of Rhea County High School, Class of 2011 and was employed with La-Z-Boy in the sofa plant.

Michael enjoyed motorcycles, four-wheeling, rock climbing, swimming, gar spearing, frog gigging, playing pool, grilling out with family and friends, wrestling with his brother and nephews and was the current "Corn Hole Champion". Michael was raised in Grace Bible Church.

He is survived by his Dad and Mom, Bob and Lorrie Nordyke, sisters, Heidi (Michael) Bishop and Kaitlyn (Kyle) Becker all of Dayton, SGT Rochelle (SSG Jeffrey) Smith, US Army of Augusta, GA, brothers, Austin Nordyke of Dayton and Josh Nordyke-Jessica Porter of Eureka Springs, AR, his maternal grandparents, Robert and Judy Engstrom of Prior Lake, MN, maternal great-grandmother, Willa Belle Nelson of Rochester, MN and his nephews and nieces, Kyler, Alvin, Seth, Adalyn and Kassalynn. Michael was preceded in death by his paternal grandparents, Ralph Nordyke and Shirley Smith.

Funeral services for Michael will be held Monday evening at 7:00pm in the funeral home chapel with Rev. Mike Breedin officiating. He will be laid to rest

Tuesday at 12 noon in Rhea Memory Gardens followed by a white dove release with Rev. David Snyder officiating.

Please share your memories of Michael on his online guest register at www.vanderwallfh.com.

The family is being cared for by the Vanderwall Funeral Home where they will receive friends Monday afternoon after 3:00pm.

Cemetery Details

Rhea Memory Gardens

Hwy 27
Dayton, TN

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB **26**. 3:00 PM (ET)

Vanderwall Funeral Home, Inc.
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Service

FEB **26**. 7:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

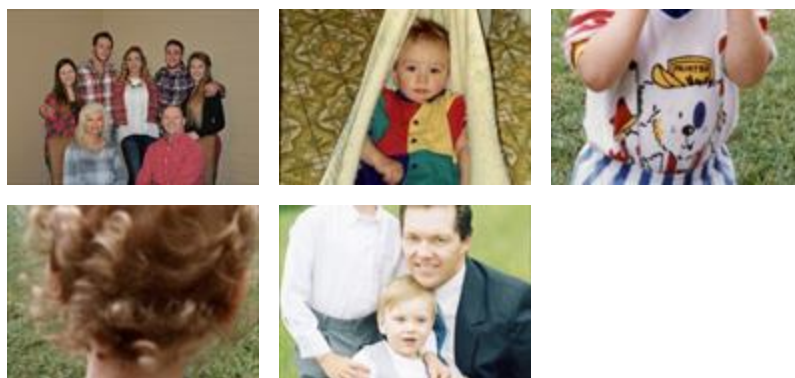
JE

“ I miss my brother so much. It hurt me beyond words ... to my core... to have been scheduled to come visit him and the rest of my family after 9 and a half years, only to get a call a week before that I would be burying my brother. I have lost the numbers for most of my family due to being hacked. It hurt that my grandparents would not even speak to me at his funeral. I am not in Tennessee. It hurts that I can not be closer as Tennessee is not transgender friendly. I remember going into the restroom at the funeral home and crying...but when my grandparents Bob and Judy would not speak to me at his funeral...I remember telling my closest friend that I wanted to leave as I sat in the car with her unable to stop crying from the pain of having felt like an outsider at my own younger brother's funeral. ...I still feel very broken inside over his passing. I am the oldest of his siblings.

Jessica - July 08, 2024 at 01:47 AM



“ 53 files added to the album Memories Album



Vanderwall Funeral Home, Inc. - October 17, 2023 at 11:12 AM

AP

“ I'm so sorry to all of you. All my childhood memories have Michael and all of you in them. He was such a sweet kid. I wish I could have known him as an adult. My thoughts and prayers are with you all. I love you guys!

Ashley Cashman Patton - March 12, 2018 at 08:34 AM

JP

Thank you Ashley. This is Jessica Porter. The oldest. It has been really tough.

Jessica Porter - January 31, 2023 at 10:40 AM

EM

“ I didnt know Michael Anthony Nordyke, nor did know anyone related yo him. It is hard to lose someone that soon, I know the feeling cause my brother passed away at a young age. It was very hard for my parents for a very long time. One thing that helped us as a family was to seek God's help. God is close by to the ones that are suffering. He provides support of all situations through the Bible, through other loved ones being close by to you. Time will numb part of the pain. Keeping occupied is key for the healing process. My suggestion are reach out to god, read the Bible and be occupied.

Esli Manzo - March 11, 2018 at 08:29 AM



Thank you for sharing your words of encouragement.

Lorrie Nordyke - March 11, 2018 at 09:09 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Michael Anthony Nordyke.*



February 28, 2018 at 12:07 PM



“ *I don't know where to begin. We met in 2014. We weren't that close but you were a great friend. You should still be here with us. To young to be gone. I'm praying for healing for your family. Fly high Michael!*

Kayla - February 27, 2018 at 10:18 AM



He was a great friend to so many people!

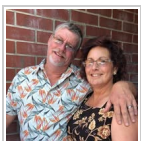
Lorrie Nordyke - March 11, 2018 at 09:34 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Michael Anthony Nordyke.*



February 26, 2018 at 07:33 PM



“ *Through my own children I have met many of their friends, that is how I met this wonderful man. A ready smile and helping hand is how I will remember Michael. My condolences to your family. You will be greatly missed . Beth Trowell*

Elizabeth Trowell - February 26, 2018 at 01:27 PM



Yes, that was a good description of Michael!

Lorrie Nordyke - March 11, 2018 at 09:34 PM

CH

“ *Charlie and Hannah Hester purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Michael Anthony Nordyke.*



Charlie and Hannah Hester - February 26, 2018 at 12:57 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Michael Anthony Nordyke.*



February 26, 2018 at 11:20 AM



“ *Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased for the family of Michael Anthony Nordyke.*



February 26, 2018 at 11:10 AM



“ *Rodney Curtis lit a candle in memory of Michael Anthony Nordyke*



Rodney Curtis - February 26, 2018 at 10:08 AM

JC

“ *I remember having a class in High school with Michael. He was always so nice and the class clown who always had a smile on his face! He was always making others laugh when they felt down and out. You will forever be missed . Prayers for your family and close friends! Heaven sure did gain an angel. Rest easy Michael*



Jeanie Chavis - February 26, 2018 at 08:34 AM

MO

Sorry for your loss Bob and Lorrie.

Marie Ogle - February 26, 2018 at 09:01 AM

LC

*So sad to hear about Michael. But rejoice in the knowledge that you will see him again! We are praying prayers of strength & comfort for you Bob, Lorrie and family. ❤️
Alex(Keith) & Lori Carpenter*

Lori Carpenter - February 26, 2018 at 06:29 PM



Yes, we will see him again! :)

Lorrie Nordyke - March 11, 2018 at 09:31 PM



“ *Judy Bob and family sending our Deepest Sympathies. We love you and we're praying for all of you. Judy please let us know if you need anything. Your guardian angel is taking care of Michael now. We are so sorry for your loss.*
Kristine & Bart

Kristine Williams-Anderson - February 26, 2018 at 12:06 AM



Thank you for your concern. We have truly been blessed by Michael's life. We are so thankful that his grandparents were here 2 days before his passing and that Michael had come by to see them twice! I have been glad to have them here visiting and being a help to me at this time. My husband is back at work in Augusta where we are temporarily living.

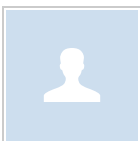
Lorrie Nordyke - March 11, 2018 at 09:31 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Michael Anthony Nordyke.*



February 25, 2018 at 10:15 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Michael Anthony Nordyke.*



February 25, 2018 at 09:12 PM

MK

“ *Maxine Kinsler lit a candle in memory of Michael Anthony Nordyke*



Maxine Kinsler - February 25, 2018 at 08:52 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Michael Anthony Nordyke.*



February 25, 2018 at 07:12 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Michael Anthony Nordyke.*



February 25, 2018 at 02:27 PM



“ *Sapphire Skies Bouquet was purchased for the family of Michael Anthony Nordyke.*



February 25, 2018 at 02:25 PM



“Michael never failed to bring a smile to the faces of so many people, myself included. I loved teasing him out at breaks and lunch and he always made us laugh. His light and energy will be greatly missed at work. He was a great person. May God wrap your family in his loving arms and give you the strength and peace you need. I am so very sorry for your loss.



Jhonna Brantley - February 25, 2018 at 12:38 AM



Thank you for sharing your thoughts with us. We are glad he was so loved!

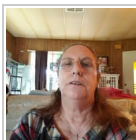
Lorrie Nordyke - March 11, 2018 at 09:28 PM



“Cross Wind Chime - Bronze was purchased for the family of Michael Anthony Nordyke.



February 25, 2018 at 12:29 AM



“Bobby im so very sorry i cant even imagine what you are going through. My prayers are with you and your family

Shelly Wainwright - February 25, 2018 at 12:10 AM



We feel God's peace and grace.

Lorrie Nordyke - March 11, 2018 at 09:26 PM



“ *Cheyenne Anglea lit a candle in memory of Michael Anthony Nordyke*



Cheyenne Anglea - February 24, 2018 at 11:47 PM



“ *Kyndell Breanna lit a candle in memory of Michael Anthony Nordyke*



Kyndell Breanna - February 24, 2018 at 11:44 PM



“ *So sorry for your loss.*



Josh and Wendi Leary - February 24, 2018 at 11:40 PM



“ *You will be missed so dearly. Praying for your family and friends. God took you when he thought you were ready, and he gained an amazing Angel! God Bless your family! 💙*

Kyndell Breanna - February 24, 2018 at 11:40 PM

NM

“ *Nakita McClure lit a candle in memory of Michael Anthony Nordyke*



nakita mcclure - February 24, 2018 at 11:37 PM

JN

“ *Holding you all so close to my heart and surrounding you with love and prayers in this most difficult time.*

Jo Neubauer - February 24, 2018 at 10:35 PM



Thank you Jo!

Lorrie Nordyke - March 11, 2018 at 09:24 PM



“ *Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of Michael Anthony Nordyke.*



February 24, 2018 at 10:33 PM



“ *Treasured Lilies Spray was purchased for the family of Michael Anthony Nordyke.*



February 24, 2018 at 10:21 PM

TP

“ *Terry Parsons lit a candle in memory of Michael Anthony Nordyke*



Terry parsons - February 24, 2018 at 09:09 PM

KP

“ *Kathy Patton lit a candle in memory of Michael Anthony Nordyke*



kathy patton - February 24, 2018 at 08:15 PM

SS

“ *My heart breaks for all of you! Though our families haven't seen each other in years, I ran into Michael a few months ago and he wanted to know all about Matt. We chatted for several minutes. Sending you all the love and prayers I can.*

Sharon Stockton - February 24, 2018 at 08:13 PM



Thank you for sharing with us about your recent encounter with Michael . We feel the peace and comfort of so many lifting us up in prayer!

Lorrie Nordyke - March 11, 2018 at 09:22 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Michael Anthony Nordyke.*



February 24, 2018 at 08:13 PM



“ *We are so sorry for your loss of Michael. Please know our thoughts and prayers are with your family.*



Lynne Hanson - February 24, 2018 at 08:04 PM



“ *Michael made me feel like part of the family. He always had a big smile and a warm hug. A true gentleman, he will be missed. Love to you all.*

cathy Smith - February 24, 2018 at 08:01 PM



Thank you for the tree that you donated in his memory. We got a red bud that will be planted in his yard.

Lorrie Nordyke - March 11, 2018 at 09:17 PM



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



February 24, 2018 at 07:57 PM



“ *Thoughts and prayers to the family and friends of Michael. Rest in peace Michael*



Emily Sneed - February 24, 2018 at 07:56 PM



“ *Will be sadly missed by many. My thoughts and prayers are with the family and friends. R.I.P. Michael.*



Christy Sneed-Webber - February 24, 2018 at 07:43 PM



“ *Serenity Wreath was purchased for the family of Michael Anthony Nordyke.*



February 24, 2018 at 07:40 PM



“ In December of 2016; I went out and Mike was there. He and I started talking. He was so funny and vibrant; made me feel welcomed.. A few minuets later my now Husband Steven walked in. Steven and Mike were very very close. Later in Steven informed me that he wasn't going to go out that night; that it was Mike who called Steven and said you gotta come out and meet this girl. It's because of Mike I met my husband. Steven and I are both forever grateful for your amazing God given gift of bringing people together. To Mike's family: I am deeply saddened by your loss and my thoughts and prayers are that God's peace surrounds you and comforts you in this difficult time.

Brittany Gagnon - February 24, 2018 at 07:06 PM



Thank you for sharing this story with us!

Lorrie Nordyke - March 11, 2018 at 09:13 PM

TC

“ We are saddened over the news of Michael! He will always be remembered for ROCKIN that PINK cut off Tan'n in the City T-shirt! He made us laugh and we will miss him. Prayers for his family and other friends. Love, Laugh, Ride, Tan.
Beth & Caroline
Diane
Tan'n in the City

Tan'n in the City - February 24, 2018 at 06:57 PM



Oh this makes me laugh. I remember Michael wanting the belly shirt for the free tan.

Rochelle Smith - February 24, 2018 at 07:03 PM

RH

“ *Renee Hickman lit a candle in memory of Michael Anthony Nordyke*



Renee Hickman - February 24, 2018 at 06:48 PM

JR

“ *Michael always had the biggest smile on his face. My prayers are with all the family. He will be missed for sure at work.*

Jody Reed - February 24, 2018 at 06:48 PM



He will definately be remembered for his smile and kindness.

Lorrie Nordyke - March 11, 2018 at 09:16 PM

RH

“ *So very sorry for your loss, Michael was a great guy , he always had nice things to say to me, he will truly be missed, my deepest condolences to you all.*

Renee Hickman - February 24, 2018 at 06:48 PM

TB

“ *He always made us laugh at work he definitely made some days a lot better for many of us. Has was always Happy and fun to be around he will be very missed*

Teri Burnette - February 24, 2018 at 06:38 PM



Thank you for sharing with us about our son.

Lorrie Nordyke - March 11, 2018 at 09:14 PM



“ *Sapphire Skies Bouquet was purchased for the family of Michael Anthony Nordyke.*



February 24, 2018 at 06:26 PM



“ *Bob and family, Phil and I are so sorry to hear this sad news. You all are in our prayers. Phil and Marge White.*

Margie White - February 24, 2018 at 05:54 PM



“ *So sorry for your loss Michael was a great kid and wonderfull friend your family will be in my thoughts and prayers*



Shannon butler - February 24, 2018 at 05:25 PM