



Michael David Lee Short

July 14, 1947 - January 22, 2017

Michael David Lee Short was born on July 14, 1947 in Mineral Wells, Texas to Dorothy Jackson Short and James Medford Short. He was lovingly raised by his mother Dorothy Jackson Wright and step-dad (Daddy) Kenneth Dale Wright. God called home on Sunday, January 22, 2017 in Midland, Texas, after lengthy health issues.

As a child, Mike lived in Littlefield, Texas, Clovis, New Mexico and Cheyenne, Wyoming. He completed high school in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. After high school, Mike was drafted into the U.S. Army on August 24, 1966 and honorably discharged on August 23, 1968. He served our country as a private in the Vietnam war. After being discharged, Mike joined his family in New Orleans, Louisiana, and mostly worked as a salesman. He lived in Indianapolis, Indiana, Mississippi, Houston, Texas, and then moved to the Odessa/Midland area to be near his family again.

Mike was a scratch golfer who made a few holes in one in his day. He got his passion for the game from his daddy who was a PGA professional. He loved to read, which he picked up from his mama. Mike also loved to BBQ, and enjoyed being outside observing nature and God's creatures.

Preceding him in death were his parents, Kenneth and Dorothy Wright. He is survived by his two sons, Michael Parrish Short and Michael David Lee Short,

Jr. By his brothers, Beau Wright (wife, Mary Jane) of Odessa, and Stacy Wright of Midland; two sisters, Sidney Adams of Odessa and Keni Wright of San Antonio. Aunts and uncles , Bessie Lee and Lester Hanks of Grapevine, Max Wright of Adams, OK, Arlie Lewis of Amarillo, Carolyn Jackson of Littlefield and Faye Wright of Baton Rouge, LA. He is also survived by several nieces and nephews, great nieces and nephews and even great, great nieces and nephews. Last but not least, his best friend, Kathleen Phillips. God sent us an angel who is Kathy. We want to thank her for all she has done for Mike and the many years she took care of his needs and looked after him, being there when we couldn't. We love you!

A viewing will be held on Friday, January 27, 2017 from 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. at American Heritage Chapel. A graveside service will be held following the viewing at 2:00 p.m. at American Heritage Cemetery, officiated by Preacher Terry Tamplen of First United Methodist Church.

Arrangements are entrusted to American Heritage.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 27. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

American Heritage Funeral Home
4100 N FM 1788
Midland, TX 79707
(432) 563-9767
info@thehealingstartshere.com
<https://thehealingstartshere.com>

Service

JAN 27. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

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Burial

JAN 27. 3:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *This man was my father not my dad. He left my mother and I when I was 4 yrs old. Every bad quality in my personality I owe this man! His entire family abandoned me. I hope this lets all of you know the man he really was. The only memory I have of him was his fist coming through the bathroom door when I was sitting on my mother’s lap hiding from him!*

Michael Hyland - November 15, 2025 at 06:03 PM

“ *I know Mike at East High School in the 60's. Very nice person. I am sorry for your loss.*

John Geiger - March 10, 2017 at 08:34 AM

I knew Mike at East High School in the 60's

John Geiger - March 10, 2017 at 08:36 AM

*Hey Mike just thinking about you today hope you are playing golf with the family
We had some great times in New Orleans
Beau*

Beau wright - September 29, 2024 at 09:16 PM

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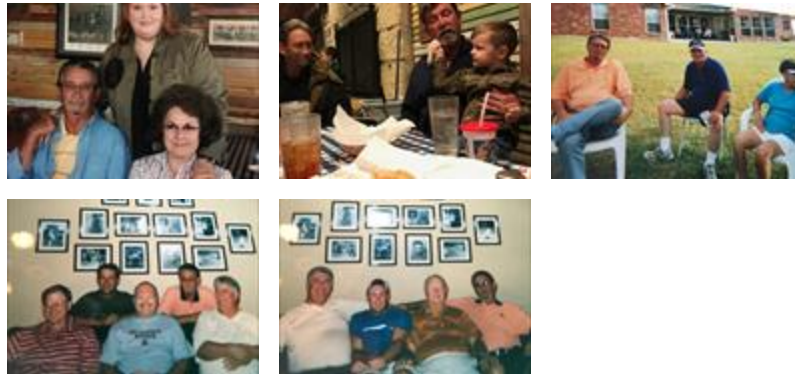
“ From everyone at Advantage Energy Services purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Michael David Lee Short.



From everyone at Advantage Energy Services - January 27, 2017 at 09:54 AM

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