



Michael C. Keiper

January 14, 1958 - December 21, 2019

WALKERTON-Michael C. Keiper, 61, passed away Saturday, December 21, 2019 at the Center for Hospice, South Bend, IN.

Mike was born January 14, 1958 in LaPorte, IN to Charles and Hazel (Collins) Keiper and lived in the area all of his life.

On June 5, 1982 in Knox, IN, he married his wife, Debbie, who survives. Also surviving are one son, Evan (Rebecca) Keiper of Knox; one daughter, Karly Keiper of South Bend; his beloved dog, Turker; one sister, Cindy (Joe) Peters of Ft. Wayne; three brothers, Clinton (Janice) Keiper of Grovertown, Jeffrey (Karen) Keiper of Champaign, IL and Shawn (Marigrace) Keiper of Grovertown; and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents.

Mike was a 1976 graduate of Oregon-Davis High School. He was a foreman with Shambaugh & Son Inc. of Ft. Wayne and a member of the Road Sprinkler Fitters Local #669 of Landover, Maryland. He was a former member and officer of the Oregon-Davis School Board for 12 years and he attended the First Presbyterian Church of Walkerton.

A memorial service will be held Friday, December 27, 2019 at 12:00 noon EST at the First Presbyterian Church of Walkerton. A memorial visitation will be held Thursday at Rannells Funeral Home, Koontz Lake Chapel from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. EST and Friday at the church one hour prior to the service.

Cremation has taken place. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be given to the First Presbyterian Church.

Previous Events

Memorial Visitation

DEC **26**. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Rannells Funeral Home - Koontz Lake Chapel
7984 N. State Road 23
Walkerton, IN 46574
(574) 586-2120
rannellsfh@mchsi.com
<https://www.rannellsfuneralhome.com>

Memorial Visitation

DEC **27**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

First Presbyterian Church
512 Georgia Street
Walkerton, IN 46574

Memorial Service

DEC **27**. 12:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

CG

“ Cynthia Gauthier lit a candle in memory of Michael C. Keiper



Cynthia Gauthier - September 03, 2020 at 06:06 PM

LS

“ It is my honor to have known Mike on our several large projects with Shambaugh. Beside his professionalism, he was a mentor to his crew, an educator to his clients, but most of all he was a family man. We would talk about his son and daughter, as he had photos of them on his wall. Prays to you in this time of sorrow.

Lee D Somsavath - January 02, 2020 at 07:44 AM

CN

“ So Sorry for your loss Mike always had the biggest smile and friends to anyone he would meet God has a plan for him he needs a special guy to work for him!

Carole Noble - December 28, 2019 at 11:18 AM

BL

“ Brandy Leinaar lit a candle in memory of Michael C. Keiper



Brandy Leinaar - December 26, 2019 at 01:00 PM

RR

“ Ryan and Sarah Richerson purchased the *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* for the family of Michael C. Keiper.



Ryan and Sarah Richerson - December 26, 2019 at 11:37 AM

MA

“ I'm shocked and saddened by the news. A good friend and teammate, my dearest sympathy to Debbie and the kids

Mark Ackley

Mark Ackley - December 25, 2019 at 10:25 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Michael C. Keiper.



December 25, 2019 at 03:37 AM

CL

“ *Christina Boyle Lange lit a candle in memory of Michael C. Keiper*



Christina Boyle Lange - December 24, 2019 at 09:38 PM

KC

“ I have known Michael Kieper since 1983 when he and his brothers came to Texas to work for Northstar Fire Protection .I have worked with an for Mike on several occassions and he was always in a good mood no matter how idiotic i was being.He someone i could call or wite when on the road or after i retired. I am sad he never got to enjoy retirement after working so hard for many years . So long good friend and will stay in touch with your family after the dust has settled !

kenneth carter - December 24, 2019 at 11:00 AM

DK

“ My thoughts and prayers go out to the entire Keiper family. Mike was always so proud of his family. He never stopped thinking about how to do something more efficiently. When it came to his profession he is the sprinkler fitter that set the bar as high as it is. He was definitely one of the best sprinkler fitters I've ever worked with. RIP Mike

Dave Kolter - December 24, 2019 at 09:10 AM

AN

“ I want to start off by saying my heart goes out to the entire Keiper family. I first meat Mike while working with Shambaugh and Sons. He has always been my go to guy when I needed questions answered. A great mentor and teacher. He would always start off by saying I can tell ya everything I know about sprinklers in about 10 minutes . He has forgotten more about this trade than most people have ever learned. He always talked about his 3 passions family work and his inventions. Mike you are a true legend and will be missed greatly. I proud to have called you a brother.

Allan Nethery - December 24, 2019 at 08:23 AM

AW

“ Mike was a very nice gentleman. Proud to have him as a classmate. May he RIP. Thoughts and prayers to his family.

Arlene Wicks - December 24, 2019 at 12:05 AM

TS

“ I first met Mike when his father was cutting down trees for my Grandfather. My deepest condolences to the family. He was good guy and will be missed.

Tom Scanlon - December 23, 2019 at 10:12 PM

OB

“ So sorry for your loss. I meet and worked this year with Mike. After 10 minutes I felt like we had been friends forever. He was a genuine caring hard working guy. I remember telling him he was to nice for sprinkler work. I will miss our txting. Prayers. Ozzy. 669

ozzy 669 birmingham - December 23, 2019 at 09:35 PM

RM

“ Ron And Margo Martin lit a candle in memory of Michael C. Keiper



Ron and Margo Martin - December 23, 2019 at 09:28 PM

SM

“ Shawn And Marigrace lit a candle in memory of Michael C. Keiper



shawn and Marigrace - December 23, 2019 at 09:20 PM



“ Sherry Keiper lit a candle in memory of Michael C. Keiper



Sherry Keiper - December 23, 2019 at 08:38 PM



“ So Sorry for your loss, love you all, Elson and Lynn Barden

Lynn Barden - December 23, 2019 at 06:25 PM

SF

“ Schnekenburger Family lit a candle in memory of Michael C. Keiper



Schnekenburger Family - December 23, 2019 at 06:01 PM

SP

“ *I m so sorry for your loss*



Shannon Legit Preston - December 23, 2019 at 06:00 PM



“ *Prayers to Debbie and family! So sorry for your loss! mike was a great guy!*

Bonnie Anderson Smith - December 23, 2019 at 05:21 PM

RT

“ *Jeff, my sincere condolences on the loss of your brother*

Rick Turasky - December 23, 2019 at 04:59 PM

BH

“ *R.I.P. Mike. Awesome guy, loved our conversations. Prayers for the Keiper Family.*



Brian Harris - December 23, 2019 at 04:20 PM

JB

“ *Your family is in our hearts and prayers*

John Bridgman - December 23, 2019 at 04:15 PM



“ Garden Accent - *"Perhaps the stars..."* was purchased for the family of Michael C. Keiper.



December 23, 2019 at 03:44 PM



“ *Mike was a great guy. Many memories of him. Sending hugs and prayers to the family.*



Betty Brandt - December 23, 2019 at 03:39 PM



“ *Only had the pleasure of working a short time with Mike, but he was a great guy, very humble and honorable man. The world need s more people like him. He is missed!*



James Cornelius - December 23, 2019 at 03:01 PM



“ *Cindy Peters lit a candle in memory of Michael C. Keiper*



Cindy Peters - December 23, 2019 at 02:41 PM

YF

“ *Your F.E Moran Fire Protection Family purchased the Magnificent Life Spray for the family of Michael C. Keiper.*



Your F.E Moran Fire Protection Family - December 23, 2019 at 02:36 PM

RD

“ *RIP Mike, my friend, Rev. David Detamore*

Rev. David Detamore - December 23, 2019 at 02:12 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Michael C. Keiper.*



December 23, 2019 at 01:46 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Michael C. Keiper.*



December 23, 2019 at 01:32 PM