

Michael Bruce Coles

October 25, 1955 ~ May 16, 2023

I had the privilege to serve with Mike on Wednesday nights at the Bountiful Temple. He always came with an infectious smile and desire to serve. Mike is one of the most Christ-like men I have ever known. He will be sorely missed.

- Steve Alpers

I am so sorry to hear of Mike’s passing, but so grateful to have known him. He was a great example to me as a young man growing up in his neighborhood. Love and prayers to his family.

- Brian Ross

Marn. My heart breaks for u. Prayers and much love as u endure Mikes passing.

- Chris Perry

Dear Marn and family, My heart hurts for all of you. I pray that you will feel the Saviors love at this most difficult and tender time. Cherish your memories of Mike and remember he is very close by. With deepest sympathy, Marci T Steffensen

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Sweet Marn, words cannot express my sorrow in your behalf. You are such a lovely couple, and I have a such a sweet memory of you both making those fun candy canes together. That was just one small gesture of the mini thousands of things that you have done for other people. I pray you would be blessed with love, comfort, and peace during this very tender time. Love and hugs from Annette Hemsley.

- Annette Hemsley

Marn We are so sorry for your loss. Mike was a wonderful man and you always felt his love and support. Hugs ❤■

- Betsy & Justin Crowley

Marn and family, I'm so sorry for your loss. When Marn and I worked together in Dr Salmons office, Mike would visit from time to time. He was always cheerful and kind. And boy, did he adore Marn! He still acted like he had a huge crush on her! It was the sweetest. His legacy lives on in all of his wonderful family and friends. Prayers and lots of love from Wisconsin.

- Hailey Gomez

I just learned of Brother Cole's passing. I am so sorry and send my love to the family. I enjoyed working with him so much recently on the Stake Primary Temple Project and will always remember his cheerful attitude and supportive demeanor. He will be sorely missed. May God bless you with the peace that comes from the gospel that we know and love.

- Carole Taylor

Our deepest condolences to you and your family.

- Todd and Keo Brown

For years, Mike was our home teacher. He played the "Faith Game" with my children more times than I can count. He showed us all that the Gospel is not only meaningful and impactful, but also joyful. Our love to your family at this time, along with our deepest sympathies.

- Don and Shawn Orton

Marn, Our hearts are broken losing Mike so unexpectedly. Such a good guy; a friend who will so missed. Lots of love to you, Marn.

- Jeff and Debbie Herr

We are so sorry for the sudden passing of your husband, father, uncle, brother, and grandfather. President Coles was a amazing example and he will be missed, but his influence will be felt for a long time, and families are forever.

- Chris & Kaylynn Johnsen

We are deeply saddened to hear of the passing of President Coles. He has been such a blessing in our lives, more than we can express. Our love and prayers are with your family at this time.

- Poland Family

Dear Marn and family, we send hugs and prayers for all of you. We hope you will find peace as you treasure the wonderful memories you made as a family. We have lots of fun memories of you and Mike. You have always been

such good examples of living the gospel and serving when needed. Love to you all not only now but in the future as you adjust to this big change.

- Stephen and Bonnie Carter and family

We are so sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with your family.

- Rogelio and Martha Gutierrez

My sincere condolences to all of the family. Mike was a wonderful friend, with whom I had not interacted for quite some time.

- Tony Romney

Marin, So sorry to hear of your loss. I always remember how very kind he was. I have such sweet memories of the both of you. Love to you all during this difficult time.

- Paige Schultz (Ethington)

We were so sorry to hear of Mike's passing. We send our love ❤■ and prayers to you sweet Marn and your family at this tender time.

- Rick & Sue Hall

To the entire Coles family- I was so shocked and saddened to hear of Mike's passing. I'm so sorry. I was thinking about all of our little league football days having your dad as our coach and being on the same team with Mike. Not to mention all the fun and memorable hours I spent at your house. I hope you will smile when you think back on the fond memories you shared with him and as you reflect on everything he taught you. I'm sorry I can't make it to his memorial service but please know I will be thinking of all of you. I will miss him! Love to you all. Mike

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Dear Marn and Family, We are so very sorry for your loss. Lane and I were remembering that the day of Lane’s brother’s funeral, we came home to a freshly mowed lawn…compliments of Mike. May you be comforted during this difficult time of separation and may all the sweet memories of him bring you peace in the months to come. We will keep you in our thoughts and prayers. Lane and Karen Heder

- Lane and Karen Heder

I have just learned of Mike’s sudden passing…I am so sad! Marn, my deepest condolences to you and your family. Mike was one in a million and a dear friend. I pray you will be comforted during this difficult time. May the Lord’s choicest blessings be poured down upon you!

- Dorothy Chournos

President Cole’s is one of the greatest men we have ever known. His Christ-Like example touched our hearts greatly. He sincerely cared about others. He ALWAYS made time for the one. He served with tremendous love and genuine concern for others. We loved to watch how he treated his eternal companion. Always a gentleman,. The two of them are a shining example to everyone. Dear Sisters Coles, we love you and your family. We are deeply saddened and offer our sincere condolences to you and your family. We will strive each day to be more like your amazing husband. Our hero and friend. With great love Vance and Louenda Downs

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I am Mikey's cousin. I am just 2 years older than Mike and only "actively" knew Mike right up until we were about 10 years old. He was only ever Mikey to me. My mother Beverly ('Pat") Coles is the younger sister of MIke's dad. I tried hard to stay in contact with Mike and Mary Lou throughout my life and often went to visit them during visits to SLC. On my last visit just before Mike passed away I was thrilled to see that he recognized me as soon as I walked into the room. My parents and Mike's parents were best friends as newly weds and when they both had young children, Scott, Laurie and Michelle will probably remember us coming to visit and stay in the family home up atop the Avenues. Mikey and Scott and Doug and Tim matched up. pretty well age wise and in our looks and we got along great. Throughout my life I have always lamented not ever connecting with Mike later in life. I am sure we will have time in the next life to catch up. I just finished listening to the funeral service for Mike. It was beautiful and was a great tribute to an obvious wonderful husband and father and grandfather. I was touched by many things about his life and was thrilled and uplifted to hear that he lived a life full of the love of the Savior in all the important ways. I had two take aways that stood out above the rest... First, Mike Bruce Coles always came to the rescue and to those in need. I recently gave a talk about how the Savior will always come in our lives when we need him most, even as He did to the disciples on the stormy Sea of Galilee, albeit on the "fourth watch" in the early morning. It was clear to me that in this most important way, Mike Coles emulated the Savior in this way and I am sure in many other ways. Second, I hope all of my daughters could and would stand up and say with obvious gratitude... "I am his living legacy!" That speaks volumes about the loving home and sacred teachings received from covenant parents. May the Lord bless you today and in the coming difficult weeks and years as you continue to rely on the love and teachings of son, brother, husband, father and grandfather. You have our deepest condolences at the sacred moment in life. BTW, the fourteen grandchildren were magnificent and I have penciled that into my funeral service someday.

- Douglas Bruce Carter

We were shocked to hear about Mike‘s passing and so sad to hear of that. Mareen, you and Mike have been wonderful to me and to Rachel and especially to Brett. I want you to know how much we love you and appreciate all that you do for us and for all those around you. We hope you can fine joy in every day and as you think of the wonderful times you shared together. He will be watching over you.

- Guy and Rachel Parker

Like the rest who knew Mike, we were shocked to learn of his passing. Marn, you and Mike were so respected as the ideal couple in our Sandy ward. So many great experiences and our serving together. Although he didn't suffer, Marn, you and the family must be heart broken. It just isn't fair not to be able to do all you can do to prepare and to help him in his great need. However, it's a blessing to not watch him suffer in lengthy pain or medical procedures. Our hearts and prayers are with you Marn in your personal loss and sadness. We'd have loved to have been with you on Monday just to hug you and let you know of our respect for the two of you.

- Russ and Donna Davey

Sister Coles. We were shocked to hear of your sweet husband's passing. Our hearts reach out to you at this very tender time. I loved seeing you together at the Temple! You were a beautiful! Joy - filled couple. We send our love and wish we had known him better. We know you and that tells us a lot about him in such positive ways. May you find peace and comfort as you move forward. Much love, Ted and Charlotte

- Ted and Charlotte Jacobsen

I am sadden to hear of the death of Mike. We grew up on the avenues together, Played little league baseball on the same team. and church ball on opposing teams. I was looking forward to seeing him at our 50th year high school reunion this year. He will be missed.

- Mike Edwards

I was so shocked and cried when I heard about Mike's passing. May you rest in peace in God's land. Im Amara from Mongolian daughter :(

- Amara