





# Michael (Mike) Douglas Bell

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I will never forget the first time I met Mike. I had just moved in across the street just before Christmas. I went to introduce myself one evening and when Mike answered the door he made me feel so welcomed loved. I quickly felt like I was a close friend. Mike was always willing to help me when I needed it. He bailed me out of some repair problems several times. I will miss his smile and quick sense of humor and love for life.

- Diane de Jong

I knew Mike briefly. We only met a few times. I'm Jason's sister. But he always welcomed me in his home. He had a glow about him of happiness. What a wonderful man. He shall be missed.

- Marjorie Ranzenberger

We met Mike after our son married his Daughter Aimee. He was kind and welcoming to us. He was very supportive of our son Jason and his children. I'm sorry for his passing and know he will be missed. The silence will be heard and felt by us all!

- Tim & Donna McDaniel

I've know Mike since high school although not that well however all I need to know he was a brother in harms a fellow Marine Semper Fi Mike rest in peace brother

- Richard judd

He was my grandpa, and I will never forget his quick and friendly responses. I was with him at the time of his death, and I can confidently say he passed away peacefully. He will forever live on in my heart and mind, and I know he will always be honored in my family. He was the bravest man I ever met and had the best sense of humor, even in his final days. My siblings and I always loved to hear his stories about his time in the Marines, as well as his pranks

and tales shared during family reunions.

#### - Jackson McDaniel

Mike has been my buddy for a long time. I keep waiting for his next SITREP text request, which will not come. We bonded over love of cars, horsepower, all things aviation and shared experiences in Vietnam. His sense of humor was always there to make me laugh even in the toughest times. Mike loved his wife, family, country and friends, in that order. I'll miss you buddy, I already do. RIP brother.

## - Jerry Westenskow

I'm so very sorry to hear of your loss! I have such special memories of your family and ours as neighbors and friends!

## - Laurie S Draper

Mike became a surrogate father for me in high school. Being a friend of his son Addam, I spent many days with those two working on the Cobra, that time spent with them shaped my adult hobbie and passion. To this day I still will credit Mike and Addam for helping me find and nurturing something that has become such a deep ingrained part of my life, the passion for building. Mikes humor always kept us in stitches while teaching us so many things. I still think back on some of the highlights of my life and he is in so many of them.

#### - Quillion Feickert

I just yesterday learned of the passing of my old friend. It was around 50 years ago I think when we lost contact with each other. I thought about him many times over the years. Several times I tried to locate him without success. I even attended our 50th high school reunion hoping he'd be there. (That's the only reunion I ever went to) How ironic and frustrating to learn you've been neighbors with my niece Katy! So close yet so far. I would have loved to see Mike and catch up. I'm so sorry for your loss and wish you comfort as you readjust. (Didn't we all look so young in your wedding photo!)

## - Ben Call

Mike is my uncle, and my mother's youngest brother. He has always been to me a working man's engineer who could design and then build whatever he designed, and on his own equipment. He always helped me develop new things that required a skilled mechanical and manufacturing engineer, and he never failed to get it done. He built some very complicated fixtures in his day and many times we were making it up as we went. He saved our bacon many times. Leslie, Aimee and Addam, your father was always someone I could look up to for what he accomplished. He was the first in our family to get through university and many of us nieces and nephews followed in his footsteps. He showed us the way and made it look doable. He scared the pants off us during the Vietnam war, but he scared me even more when he started to tell me about what he actually did and the close calls. I will miss him very much. Mark.

### - Mark Haslam

Dear Bell Family, Our office noted with sadness the passing of your loved one, Michael, and we wish to send our condolences and sincere sympathy to you and your family at this time of bereavement. As a member of Weber State University's extended family, friends and associates will miss him. While we realize a condolence letter cannot lessen your sense of loss, we want to let you know that his achievements and contributions were appreciated at Weber State University. Sincerely, Nancy B. Collinwood Executive Director of Alumni Relations

- Weber State Alumni Association

Very authentic, grateful for his service to my country and my family's future. Thanks to his sacrifices I lead a comfortable life. Rest in peace Mike.

- Stephen Horton

We are deeply saddened to learn of Mike's passing. He is such a kind and gentle soul. He welcomed us into his home where we had an opportunity to learn about his many loves - especially his Leslie! We send our condolences and love to all of his family and express gratitude to have shared a tiny piece of his life. Walt and Janet Brooks

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