



## Michael Monroe Miller

October 7, 1947 - June 7, 2021

Michael Monroe Miller, age 73, passed away peacefully on Monday, June 7, 2021. Some may have seen Michael as disabled, but the staff at Rainbow Homes helped Michael live a wonderful life full of "Abilities" for many years. His family is truly thankful that Michael's life was enriched beyond measure because of the nurturing care and experiences they provided. The family also wishes to thank Sparrow Hospital, Regency at Lansing West, and Fairview AFC for your wonderful care of Michael for the last several months.

Previously employed at Felpausch and at Meijer in Mason, he retired from Peckham Industries in Lansing, Michigan in January 2020. Also a greeter at his church, Michael enjoyed making friends and participating in lots of activities like making rock candy with his friends from Rainbow Homes at sister Ann's at Christmas time. Michael also loved to bowl, play BINGO, watch Dukes of Hazard, learn to cook and help fix things at Rainbow Homes. His love of Elvis included listening to ALL of his CD's, wearing his Elvis costume, and a great trip to Graceland. If you asked Michael a question you could always count on an answer of "YupYup," "Sometimes maybe," "prit near," or "I'll think about it."

His friends and family were all so proud of Michael after several years of "thinking about it" he overcame his fear of swimming and won a Gold medal in the 25 meter freestyle and a Silver medal in the 50 meter freestyle at the 2008

Special Olympics Summer games.

Michael's Mom and Dad, J. Robert and Rowena (Castle) Miller have been waiting in Heaven for him. He is survived by his sisters, Ann (Jim) Welling, Margot, and JoEllen; and brother, David. He always looked forward to spending time with his nephews and their families, John, Hattie, Joshua, Christopher, Karey, Kyler, Morgan and Avery, Patrick, Emily, Aiden, Benjamin and Madeline.

Michael has willed his body to the MSU Willed Body program. A private memorial service will be held at a later date. If desired, contributions can be made in Michael's name to Rainbow Homes, 2111 Adelpha Ave. Apt B, Holt, MI, 48842 or Special Olympics Michigan, 2901 Wabash Road, Lansing, MI 48910.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Michael Monroe Miller.*



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June 22, 2021 at 03:14 PM



“ *Randy and me have known Mike for years from Meridian Christian Church. Mike was the sweetest man ever. He always gave an update on his bowling. Thanks Mike for always making us smile! We will see you soon!*  
*Randy and Sheila Miles*

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**Sheila Balliet-Miles** - June 16, 2021 at 04:17 PM



“ *I met Mike many years ago through the Holt Kiwanis Special Bowling League. Mike usually bowled in the lane next to me. He was always a good sport and cheered on all of us bowlers. He was so proud of his strikes! He loved talking about his family and showing photos of them that he carried in his wallet. We had a lot of fun bowling together. Mike's sister Ann would sit with my mom at bowling and cheer for us. I haven't seen Mike in a long time because he didn't bowl at Royal Scot. Rest in peace, Mike.*  
*From Ryan Flintoff*

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**Ryan Flintoff** - June 15, 2021 at 12:25 PM

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“ We met Mike at Meridian Christian Church and worshipped together for many years. He was an important part of our church family - always ready & willing to work on a variety of service projects. He always had a story or two to share about his family! Our prayers are with you at this time.

*Randy & Diane Rhodes*

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**Diane Rhodes** - June 12, 2021 at 07:40 PM

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“ 18 files added to the album Memories Album



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**jawelling** - June 11, 2021 at 04:16 PM