



## Mike Walton Kyre

December 4, 1956 - October 25, 2014

Michael Walton Kyre, 57, of Charlotte, MI, died unexpectedly at his home on Saturday, October 25, 2014, while watching the Michigan State-Michigan football game. Mike was born December 4, 1956, in Edgewood, MD, the son of George Ray and Shirley Ann (DeWitt) Kyre. In his childhood, the family moved to Charlotte, MI, where Mike graduated High School in 1975. He attended Central Michigan University, studying criminal justice, before returning to Charlotte. Mike worked at LL Johnson Lumber for a few years before taking a job with Eaton County Corrections in 1980. He retired as Lieutenant in 2006, but continued his work at the county as bailiff and security for the court house. His true passion was spending time watching his grandchildren, Kalin and Jaydin from birth, even preparing dinner for the family. Mike was a die-hard Michigan State fan, attending every single home-game for 34 years, until Saturday, when he was unable to do so. Many will remember seeing Mike golfing almost every day at the Charlotte Country Club with his close friends and family. He loved Bob Dylan concerts, and took his daughters to see him and other shows whenever possible. Mike was especially proud that his granddaughter, Jaydin, knew the words to his favorite songs. His love of dogs encompassed Lucy, his chocolate lab, his grand-dogs and the courthouse dog. Mike was honest and sincere, always concerned for others above himself. His sudden loss will leave many wondering WTF? Mike is survived by his wife of 34 years, Jackie Kyre; daughters, Jamie (Shaun Limones) Kyre and Cassi (Frank) Hobyak; grandchildren, Jaydin and Kalin;

mother, Shirley Kyre; brother, Russ Kyre; nephews Jon-Eric James Kyre and Donny Kyre; and nieces, Carly and Logan Kyre. He was preceded in death by his father, George Kyre in 2002, and his brother, Jon Kyre in 2009. A celebration of Mike's life will be held at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, October 29, 2014 at Pray Funeral Home in Charlotte. Attendees are invited to wear GREEN! Visitation will be from 3:00-6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, October 29, 2014 at the funeral home, just prior to the service. Memorial contributions may be made to the Eaton County Humane Society. Arrangements by Pray Funeral Home, Charlotte. Online condolences may be sent to the family at [www.prayfuneral.com](http://www.prayfuneral.com) <http://www.prayfuneral.com>.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Pray Funeral Home, Inc created a Tribute Video in memory of Mike Walton Kyre*



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**Pray Funeral Home, Inc.** - April 02, 2015 at 11:31 AM

PH

“ *Candle From: The Boucher Family*

*Message to the Family: Mike was one of the few men that you could say truly had a great heart!! He was a great son, husband, father and friend. In life there are few people you can truly believe in and count on and he was definately one of them and he will definately be missed more than words can say. God Bless his family on this painful journey of learning how to live without him! Our thoughts and prayers are with you all!*



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**Pray Funeral Home** - April 01, 2015 at 02:48 PM

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“ *Candle From: Phil Nicolaou*

*Message to the Family: Mike was my first, and oldest friend in the world. He remained loyal, dedicated and generous throughout these many years, and know that he shared those qualities with all of his friends and family. I'll miss him for many things - talking sports, talking family, and talking all things Bob Dylan. Shirley, Jackie, Jamie and Cassie & Russ - I am so sorry for your loss, and know how proud you must be to have had such a good man like Mike in your lives.*



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**Pray Funeral Home** - April 01, 2015 at 02:48 PM

KB

“ *Thinking of all of you, and especially Mike's great loves, his wife, girls and grandbabies, when the services are over, the shock and numbness of losing a loved one turns to life's reality of missing that oh-so-important person in your life. I always say a prayer for your family at Sunday Mass and hope you are all doing well, or as well as you can while you miss him greatly. Dan will never be able to make fun of Mike at Meijer for pushing the little cart, and he's going to miss that. Everyone who came in contact with Mike, and especially those that were lucky enough to know him, will miss his great personality. That's a great legacy. Too soon, too soon. While you will all miss him most, he will be missed by many.*

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**Kim & Dan Boucher** - December 14, 2014 at 04:08 PM

SL

“ Jackie and family, we were shocked to hear of Mike's passing. We are so sorry. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and the family. He was a terrific guy and I always enjoyed my time with him. He was a hard working dedicated employee for Eaton County and he will be truly missed. May the Lord bless him and help you and the family through these coming days. Sincerely Rick and Linda Wahl

Sheriff Rick Wahl and Linda - November 01, 2014 at 01:01 PM

TH

“ Jackie and family, No words can ease your pain right now so I will let you know I am praying for all of you. Memories of our tailgating days will always be there. Joe and Mike are once again together celebrating their fav team and thoughts like this will get you thru these next few months. I've been reading some of the other messages and the common theme of Mikes friendly smile and love of family is obvious. I'm grateful to have known him and you all will find peace one day because you have no choice....you have get up every day and find some reason for doing so, Mike will be with you in a different way, but still beside you all. Love to all

Toni Hartig - October 31, 2014 at 09:29 AM

KM

“ So sorry for your loss. God bless you all.  
Our prayers are with you.

Karen(Adams) Moon - October 29, 2014 at 06:01 PM

JN

“ We are all so sorry to hear of Mike's passing. We worked with him at the Courthouse and he will be greatly missed. He and his family are in our thoughts and prayers.

John Maurer, John Deming & Matt Newberg - October 29, 2014 at 03:59 PM

MP

“ Mike was my first lieutenant that I worked for. When I first started he asked me which I liked better, Michigan or Michigan State? Obviously I responded without hesitation Michigan State. He just smiled and said "we'll get along great ". My sincere condolences to Mikes family. Take care Mike and save me a seat up there. Go Green Go White !

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**Mark Packowski** - October 29, 2014 at 02:35 PM

KD

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with Jackie and the entire family. Mike always had a smile and a twinkle in his eye. He always had time to stop and visit. He was so very proud of his lovely girls, grandchildren, nieces and nephews. He enjoyed sharing stories about his golfing adventures! He loved the Spartans!!!! He will live on through each of you! He will be missed.

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**Kim Kain Dane** - October 29, 2014 at 01:49 PM

PN

“ Mike was my first and oldest friend in the world. He remained loyal, dedicated and generous through all these years. I'll miss talking sports, family, and all things Bob Dylan with him. Jackie, Shirley, Jamie and Cassi, and Russ- I am so sorry for your loss, but know how proud you must be to have had a man like Mike as a husband, son, brother and father in your lives.

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**Phil Nicolaou** - October 29, 2014 at 09:35 AM

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**Phil Nicolaou** - October 29, 2014 at 09:22 AM

SR

“ We will miss Lt. Mike Kyre and his Spartan Spirit! His many years of service with our Sheriff's Office were exemplary. Our heartfelt prayers go out to the Kyre family, those who worked alongside Mike at our Sheriff's Office and his many friends. God bless. Sincerely, Sheriff Mike Raines (Ret.), Mrs. Laurie Raines and Family P.S. - "Have you kicked a wolverine today?"

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**Sheriff Mike Raines (Ret.) & Mrs. Laurie Raines** - October 28, 2014 at 08:11 PM

TL

“ I moved away from Charlotte in High School, but every time I ran into Mike he always said hi! Saw him from time to time at the court house - always friendly. he will be missed - so sorry for his family. Trudy Loveland Lehman

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**Trudy Lehman** - October 28, 2014 at 11:15 AM

VS

“ I have good memories of Mike. Jr.High & Youth group at the Lawrence Ave. Methodist Church. He was always smiling and a lot of fun. He will be missed.

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**Valerie Smith** - October 28, 2014 at 10:44 AM

NC

“ My prayers and heart go out to Mike's family. I'm so sorry for your loss. Mike was a great guy. He was always so quick to smile.

Natalie Clinkscales - October 28, 2014 at 09:57 AM

AS

“ My thoughts and prayers to the family. I am truly sorry for your loss.

Amy Summers - October 28, 2014 at 08:19 AM

MK

“ Jackie, we're so sorry to hear this news. You and your family are in our prayers. Mike was a pro at making people feel good and having a good time. He loved fully and lived that way too. we will miss him.

Marty & Jenneva Kremke - October 28, 2014 at 12:03 AM

GL

“ All day long I have been re-living dozens of memories of Mike. For years he was a great friend! Lots of adventures, some ill advised, but all of them a blast. He was a good guy and a great friend. Thoughts of Shirley and Jackie, his family and friends. He made me a Spartan. Gary Lynch

Gary Lynch - October 27, 2014 at 07:01 PM

NM

“ Condolences to Shirley and family. My heart goes out to you. an old work friend

nancy mayhew - October 27, 2014 at 04:01 PM

SJ

“ I was shocked to learn about Mike. He and I were Partners in the old jail as corrections officers for years. He always had my back and stayed calm during situations. My father and I enjoyed going to the MSU football games on season tickets we got through Mike before I moved away. From what I hear he went out watching his beloved Spartans beat Michigan. I will not be able to attend the service as I have a bunch of Doctor Appointments to go to. Jackie I am so very sorry for Your loss. GO GREEN Mike. You will be missed.

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**Steve Jackson** - October 27, 2014 at 10:59 AM

RB

“ I was so shocked and saddened to hear about Mike passing. We worked together for quite a few years, and he was my very first supervisor. We used to purposely give each other a hard time, but always only in jest. He always had a very calm demeanor and you could talk to him easily. I always gave him a hard time about liking Bob Dylan's music and that I didnt. He is a great guy and I will miss him. Way too young to lose such a good guy. My thoughts and prayers are with you.

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**Rick Bushong** - October 27, 2014 at 10:24 AM

TD

“ Kyre Family, I am so sorry for your loss. I will miss Mike's smile and friendly Hello. Jackie I am thinking of you and your family.

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**Tammy Dreps** - October 27, 2014 at 09:59 AM

PF

“ We are extremely sorry for you loss kyre family, hugs and kisses too you all. There isn't a minute that goes by we are not thinking of you. Love you all. Big Hugs to Jay and Kalin Love your Texas Family

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**Pedraza Family** - October 27, 2014 at 09:43 AM

TF

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**The Boucher Family** - October 27, 2014 at 09:12 AM

JM

“ Mike was a wonderful co-worker. He always had a warm and friendly smile with everyone he met. I am so sorry for your loss. Sincerely, Jennifer McDaniels

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**Jennifer McDaniels** - October 27, 2014 at 08:28 AM

CH

“ I'll always remember our time as kids, and how great a friend Mike and the whole Kyre family was after they moved to Charlotte during the OI exodus in the mid '60's. My condolences to everyone, and I'll see you guys on Wednesday. Craig

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**Craig Holmes** - October 27, 2014 at 08:19 AM

KD

“ I am very sorry to hear about your loss. I remember Mike as always being fun and one of the nicest people in school. Prayers to you all

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**Kim Dornbos** - October 26, 2014 at 10:52 PM

NM

“ Jackie and family. I don't know how to express how very sorry I am. all I can pray is that God spreads his arms around you and helps you right now. love you. nita

Nita mcintyre - October 26, 2014 at 09:53 PM

BV

“ Jackie, Bill and I are heartbroken to hear about Mike, What a kind-hearted sweet person. We can only imagine what you must be going through, and we are so deeply sorry. Anything at all we can do for you, please let us know. Mike was a wonderful person and friend. So sorry Jackie. Bill & Jean

bill & jean voigt - October 26, 2014 at 09:28 PM

KB

“ I am so sorry to hear of Mike's passing. He was a wonderful man and will be missed by many. Prayers to Shirley and Russ and the rest of the family. God bless.

Kevin Berg - October 26, 2014 at 08:33 PM

CS

“ Jackie I am so sorry for your loss! Mike was one of my favorites at the ccc! My prayers are with you in this trying time! Go green!Y's

Carrie Savage - October 26, 2014 at 05:42 PM