



Michael Ray Lemon

May 3, 1961 - July 23, 2020

Michael Ray Lemon was born in Chicago, Illinois to Irma Spencer and Major Lemon. He was the 3rd of 16 children. Michael enjoyed bowling, basketball, and baseball. He departed this life on July 23rd in Hammond, IN. He is survived by his wife, Kimberly Smith-Lemon, 7 children, 14 siblings, and a host of family and friends.

Cemetery Details

Cedar Park Cemetery

12540 South Halsted Street
Riverdale, IL

Previous Events

Public Viewing

JUL **30**. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

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Visitation

JUL **31**. 10:00 AM - 10:30 AM (CT)

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Service

JUL **31**. 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ Calahan Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Michael Ray Lemon



Calahan Funeral Home - July 31, 2020 at 10:47 AM



Prayer for the Family Mike was a awesome man I met him at the Bowling alley .Truly enjoyed his laughter he will be Truly missed

Sheritta May - July 31, 2020 at 11:03 AM

MG

During this time I would like to share a memory. I go back to the days of Palisades. Mike was in our Junior Bowling program. He developed into a very good bowler and bowled with many, many leagues. I bowled with him on a few. He had to win! He will be missed! RIH Prayers to the family. Ms. Eva

Ms. Eva Greene - July 31, 2020 at 11:30 AM

NB

Prayer for the Family Mike was a awesome man I met him a few times at multiple Bowling alleys and I truly enjoyed his laughter each time he will be missed....

Nettie B - July 31, 2020 at 11:40 AM

TD

My heartfelt Prayers & Condolences go our Mike Lemons' family & friends. He was so inspiring on and off the lanes. He so full of laughter and life. I am truly grateful to have been called a friend. Take your rest Mike. Your mark on this earth is done. You will be missed... ❤️

Toni Driver - July 31, 2020 at 11:43 AM

BP

Sending our condolences to the family of Mike Lemon. Praying for your strength and comfort during this time.

Roy and Brandy Peterson

Brandy Peterson - July 31, 2020 at 11:49 AM

MJ

Praying for the family during this difficult time.

Marvis and Shauna Jackson - July 31, 2020 at 12:05 PM

 April Woodard

A great guy. Prayers are with his family. Bowl I'm Paradise Mike.

-April

April Woodard - July 31, 2020 at 12:22 PM

LH

Prayers for the Lemon Family. Mike was one of my teammates on Wednesday night league at Skyway and he showed me a few skills about bowling and I can say my average has improved and he will truly be missed.

Lonnie Hubbart - July 31, 2020 at 12:32 PM

CA

Sending heartfelt condolences and prayers to the Lemon family during this trying time.

Candace Roper

Candace - July 31, 2020 at 12:43 PM

TT

awesome service!! RIH Mike

THE THRILL - July 31, 2020 at 12:47 PM

WP

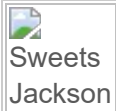
Again my prayers to the family 🍷

Wilhelmina Powell - July 31, 2020 at 01:01 PM

TP

I am going to miss you my bowling dad. thank you for all the faith that you giving me. I going to miss the stories you tell and the jokes after it. RIH Lemon

Terrell TP Peterson - July 31, 2020 at 01:01 PM



Mike no one will ever know or understand the friendship we shared or the love we have for each other, but like u always said "As long as God knows, D@#n what anybody else thinks". Every time I start to cry, one of the many stories pop in to my mind & all I can do is laugh. Rest my brother, friend & my confidant. Love u always. Our secrets r safe.

Sweets Jackson - July 31, 2020 at 01:14 PM

LA

My heart hurts to know I am no longer going to see your physical presence. I am thankful for the time God allowed us to be friends. You are and will always be in my heart. Our fond memories will carry me through. No more pain, and no more doctors appointments. Love you Lemonade 🍷🍷🍷🍷

LaShanda - July 31, 2020 at 01:19 PM

FW

To my big brother Mike, I want to thank you for the text messages and phone calls that you would send me on a daily/weekly basis. That really meant a lot to me hearing those encouraging words from you, Be blessed, stay safe and I love you. Well Mike as I returned those same messages to you, here's one more from . I love you I miss you and stay blessed, RIH my big brother!!!! Peace

Fred williams - July 31, 2020 at 01:25 PM

PD

Father God. We here on earth would like to thank you for the time you let this remarkable human touch our lives. Mike and I had a special relationship that I must say I will miss tremendously. I hope he will be a great leadoff man like he was for us. Carry Dog!!! No mo 9 pins...

Paul Denham - July 31, 2020 at 03:02 PM



To Kimberly Lemon and all the Lemon and Smith family...May God comfort and strengthen in your time of grief. God bless you. Carla Jones

Carla Glass-Jones - July 31, 2020 at 03:28 PM

RM

My condolences once again to the family, rest well my friend and Rest In Heaven.

Regina Mayo - July 31, 2020 at 11:06 PM

LE

My sincere condolences go out to to the family. Me and lemon sat and had a heart felt conversation about how good god was. I know he is now resting in God's loving arms of protection. No more worries. Until we meet again. 🙏🙏🙏

Lisa Ellis - July 31, 2020 at 11:57 PM

RL

Rest well my bro, you know our convos through the years man it's still unreal but God knows what's best!! ❤️❤️

Raymond Lee - August 01, 2020 at 01:19 AM

MN

Sending Prayers and Our Deepest Condolence to the Mike Lemon Family. Missy and Mac Newton III

Missy Newton - August 01, 2020 at 09:23 PM



It can be truly said that our testament to life, is how we are viewed at our death, which is inevitable. The outpouring of love, respect, and gratitude for Mike Lemon's life here is proof of that. He was my dog, my boy, my buddy, my friend, all that and then some. He loved life, his family, friends, and others. I as all of us will miss him for so many reasons, because he was special to each one of us in our own way. Mike Lemon was so very outspoken, funny, lovable, and so God loving and humble, that it was very hard not to love him. I will miss his sense of humor and his laugh perhaps most of all. To the Family, you have my deepest, heartfelt condolences. Edward Dillon.

Edward Dillon - August 05, 2020 at 06:03 PM



Mike and I (Wayne Stewart) used to bowl on the Friday night league at palisade bowling Alley. He was our anchor man. He was the best bowler I've ever seen. He will be missed Deeply by everyone.

Wayne Stewart - October 13, 2020 at 07:42 PM



Michael was my brother we shared a special bond he was my buddy all day everyday I think about you all the time I wake up at my window for our talks I still go to my window looking for you I know you are at peace seeing mom and dad and walt im trying bro my best to except you are no longer here I ask for God's healing I miss you my heart hurts I feel like I'm lost but when I see your smile and your laughter I hold on right my brother your sister Sylvia

Sylvia Lemon - November 09, 2020 at 10:59 PM



“ *Michael Ray Lemon*

October 09, 2023 at 04:52 AM



“ *RIP Mike I bowl with you for years you grew up with my brother and cousin Big O and Big Black I can see you al up there having a great time in heaven Love you and will miss you Debbie Burks*

Debbie - August 04, 2020 at 10:50 PM

M(

“ Dear family of Michael Ray Lemon, send my sincere prayers of love to your entire family today. I will forever remember Mike's Kindness and true friendship. In life all we ask for is a true friend, and Mike was that for me 23 years ago. People come in our life's for a reason, and Mike was that person for me. Peace and Blessings to the entire family. Margo

margaret mabry-washington (Margo) - July 31, 2020 at 03:17 PM

PD

“ Paul Denham lit a candle in memory of Michael Ray Lemon



Paul Denham - July 31, 2020 at 02:52 PM

LH

“ Lonnie Hubbart purchased the Sympathy Chocolates for the family of Michael Ray Lemon.



Lonnie Hubbart - July 31, 2020 at 01:02 PM

TH

“ Michael Ray Lemon, you were born 2 days after me and I have known you for more than half of my Life. We started out as my Teammates, but then you turned into my Protector, then literally became by "Body Guard", which soon turned into one of the best relation/friendships that I've ever had.

I can honestly say, I did get to know the many faces of Lemon, and you will never know how much you have meant to me!!!

May You Rest in Peace, Michael!!!

Tanya J. Hagerman - July 31, 2020 at 12:54 PM



“ Ever loving Lord Jesus, bring light to the darkness of the hearts, of the family of Michael R. Lemon. Give them the right faith, certain hope and perfect love. Lord Jesus, give them insight and wisdom, so they might always discern your holy and true will. Mike you will be truly missed, R.I.P. my son. From your bowling Captain, team "You Musta Forgot " and teammates "S**t Happens". Love you man!

Nep and LaVerne Walker

La Verne Walker - July 31, 2020 at 11:22 AM

LR

“ Prayers to the Lemon Family , my family grew up with the Lemon family all being together in the West Pullman Park ..We pray for the family and may God Bless all his family and friends ...Rest Well Lemon from the Ray Family 124th Stewart

LaTonya Ray - July 31, 2020 at 10:44 AM

DJ

My condolences to the Lemon family! We bowled together as teammates since over forty years. R.I.H Mike!

Doris Johnson - July 31, 2020 at 12:41 PM

SA

“ Hello! My dear Dad, This is Sade’ I know we have missed so much time together, but I always loved you. No i didn’t know you was sick, and I’m sorry about that. But I just want to tell you that even though we missed that time together. I always loved you. Dad I love ❤️ and will miss you 😘 see you aging one day. Tell my uncle Walt and my Grandmas I said hello. Love your daughter Sade’ 😭💔🙏😘



Sade’ - July 31, 2020 at 12:17 AM



“ Sharon Fisher-Bright lit a candle in memory of Michael Ray Lemon



Sharon Fisher-Bright - July 30, 2020 at 11:58 PM



“ My condolences to the Lemon Family. Mike and I started league bowling around the same time. But you wouldn’t know it cause he was already an Advanced Bowler. He had such a sense of “catch you off guard” humor that he’d have you rolling on the floor. I will miss you Mike. May you rest in heavenly peace.

Sharon Fisher-Bright - July 30, 2020 at 11:57 PM

 Lynette Peoples

“ John “Fuzz” and Lynette Peoples send our sincere condolences and prayers to the Lemon family. We’ve shared years of laughter and stories in and out of the bowling alleys. Rest In Peace Pharoah 🙏

Lynette Peoples - July 30, 2020 at 09:17 PM

BB

“ My sincere condolences to the family on your loss. Continued prayers for strength comfort and peace. Belinda Blackman Class 67 St Dorothy

Belinda Blackman - July 28, 2020 at 03:17 PM

JF

My condolences to the family praying for your comfort in this time and know he's not in any more pain and he's still smiling Jessica Ford and family

Jessica Ford - July 30, 2020 at 07:16 PM

JH

My sincere condolences to his entire family, one thing I will always remember is how Mike loved the Lord, now i truly believe he is at his side. My prayers for his children, whom some I watched grow up to become grown men. God is always on your side, hold on the those special memories-

Janean Hazel - July 31, 2020 at 10:13 AM

TF

Now living in Florida was not able to pay my respects. Praying for the family at this difficult time.

Timothy J Fishburne - July 31, 2020 at 11:50 AM

WT

Several times in the bowling alley Mike would come to me and say Winnie tell these people I go to church. I would say yes he does and he attends on a regular basis. I will miss his hugs and kisses as I ushered in the aisle where he sat at Trinity United Church of Christ. Rest in Peace. Wynetta J. Thomas

Wynetta J. Thomas - July 31, 2020 at 01:09 PM