



Michael Bruce Coles passed away unexpectedly at home on May 16 in Layton, Utah. He was loved by family and friends and left a lasting mark on all who knew him. He will be sorely missed, but remembered by all as a wonderful husband, father, grandfather, son, brother, and friend.

Mike was born on October 25, 1955, in Salt Lake City, Utah to Laurie Bruce “Mike” Coles and Mary Lou Hansen Coles. He grew up in Salt Lake City on the Avenues as the oldest of four children. As a young man, Mike served a mission for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Stockholm, Sweden from 1974 to 1976.

Upon returning from his missionary service, Mike met the love of his life, Marn Senior. They were married on June 16th, 1978 in the Salt Lake Temple. They raised four children with one eternal child, Kristen, who passed away at birth. Family meant everything to Mike. As a father, he was regularly attending or coaching his children’s sports teams. He always made himself available to support them. As a grandfather, he continued his dedicated support by attending games, concerts, plays, and many other events of his 14 grandchildren. He made time for each one of them individually, and they knew he loved them dearly.

Mike had a love for the outdoors. He enjoyed camping with family and backpacking trips with his sons and grandsons. He passed on his love for the outdoors by sharing his skills learned through scouting. He served many years in the Boy Scout program influencing many. In recognition for his lifetime of achievement in scouting, Mike was awarded the Silver Beaver in 2015. Mike was the definition of a true Scout and lived the principles of scouting in his daily life. Besides camping, Mike was most happy with Marn by his side doing just about anything, including biking, hiking, kayaking, and traveling the world together.

Mike will always be remembered for his willingness to serve others. He spent countless hours helping his children, neighbors, and friends. He would drop anything to spend time helping them. He also loved to serve in the Church. Throughout his life, he held numerous callings and leadership positions. Most recently Mike had been serving as a counselor in his Stake Presidency and previously as Bishop in a Young Single Adult ward. The Young Single Adults impacted Mike and Marn tremendously and will forever hold a special place in their hearts. Mike and Marn also enjoyed serving in the temple helping others come closer to the Savior. They always worked together no matter the responsibility. Together, they could accomplish anything.

Mike is survived by his wife, Marn, of 44 years, his children Katie (Jason), Kyle (Erin), Kris (Jacee), and Karlie (Scott); his mother Mary Lou Coles, his brother Scott and two sisters Laurie and Michelle, and his 14 grandchildren. He is preceded in death by his daughter Kristen and his father Mike Coles.

In Loving Memory



Michael Bruce Coles

1955 ~ 2023

Michael Bruce Coles

BORN

October 25, 1955
Salt Lake City, Utah

DIED

May 16, 2023
Layton, Utah

SON OF

Laurie 'Mike' Coles and Mary Lou Hansen Coles

HUSBAND OF

Marn Coles

FUNERAL SERVICES

Monday, May 22, 2023 ~ 11:00 a.m.
Layton Utah Holmes Creek Stake Center
125 Chapel Street, Layton, Utah

PALLBEARERS

Kyle Coles
Collin Coles
Kris Coles
Hayden Coles
Jason Cowden
Zack Cowden
Luke Cowden
Emily Wilson
Owen Wilson
Scott Coles

Blake Coles
Chase Coles
Brynlee Coles
Carter Coles
Cameron Cowden
Caleb Cowden
Scott Wilson
Ian Wilson
Sophie Wilson

HONORARY PALLBEARERS

Rob Webster
David Senior
Glen Tolman

Scott Stevens
Greg Johnson
Greg Frei

SERVICES

Elder Tom Checketts, Presiding
Bishop Will Morby, Conducting

Family Prayer Jason Cowden
Prelude Music Susan Cashmore
Chorister Yvonne Miller
Organist Susan Cashmore
Opening Hymn Hymn #293

Each Life That Touches Ours for Good

Invocation Jacee Coles
Reading of the Obituary Scott Wilson
Speaker Kyle Coles
Speaker Karlie Wilson
Musical Number Blaine & Lindsay Hickman

Accompanied by Kathy Latham

Remembrances Grandchildren
Speaker Katie Coles
Speaker Kris Coles
Closing Remarks President Potter
Closing Hymn Hymn #335

Brightly Beams Our Fathers Mercy

(Mike's Favorite Hymn)

Benediction Erin Coles
Postlude Music Susan Cashmore

Dedication of the Grave Kyle Coles

INTERMENT

Wasatch Lawn Memorial Park
3401 South Highland Drive, Salt Lake City, Utah