



## Michael (Mike) C. McKinney

January 11, 1958 - June 5, 2021

Michael C. McKinney, 63, of Kalkaska passed away June 5, 2021. Michael (Mike) was born on January 11, 1958, to the late Byron and Beatrice (Wood) McKinney. He grew up in Melvindale, Michigan. He was a long time truck driver, both over the road and city, he loved to drive. He also said “kids and dogs” are his favorite things. Michael (Mike) is survived by his wife of 35 years, Carol S. (Phillips). Surviving in addition to his wife are his son, Jason M. Therrien and wife, Morgan; daughter, Shannon M. Bauer and husband, Jamie; son, Michael B. McKinney and wife, Liz; son, Jason M. McKinney; eight grandchildren, Logan, Lilia, Savannah, Ethan, Chase, Mary Jane, Jackson, Zachary; two sisters, Susan Phillips and husband Robert, and LeeAnn Mitchell and husband Virgil; many nieces and nephews, cousins, in-laws, friends, pets, aunts and an uncle. A memorial service is not planned at this time. Please visit [www.kalkaskafuneralhome.com](http://www.kalkaskafuneralhome.com) to visit Michael’s tribute page and share a memory with his family. Special thank you all our family, friends, Eden Center LTC, Heartland Hospice Care, church family at People’s Church and everyone who has given their love and support throughout the years to Michael (Mike) and Carol McKinney. Arrangements have been entrusted to Kalkaska Funeral Home and Cremation Services.

# Tribute Wall

DM

“ Mike was more than a cousin to me - He was a brother. He's the guy who was always there to help when I needed him, and was always giving advice when I didn't. The big guy crawled down into my well pit more than once to fix a bad pump. And it's a small opening to get into that pit. He also helped me pull the well point from deep in the ground, replaced it, and sent it back down again. He attempted to replace cracked glass in my cabin, but managed to crack the new glass as well :) And much more...There was nothing Mike wouldn't try to do. If he didn't know how, he would ask around and find out. We had a couple hunting adventures together out in Colorado. One particular incident seems funny now, but wasn't so funny then LOL. I wish I could have been the cousin to you that you were to me, Big Mike. I love you, and will always miss you. - Until we meet again in the North Land in the Sky. Oh, and aside to Uncle Dave and Aunt Faye: I always knew that he was the favorite nephew, but I had to try! -- Dan M.

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**Daniel McKinney** - June 22, 2021 at 12:18 PM

LG

“ Carol and family I am so sorry to hear of your loss. My condolences.  
Lora Greene

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**lora greene** - June 20, 2021 at 10:49 PM

SB

“ Mike is my father. He raised me. He taught me how to drive and was my first dance at my wedding. He is the parent I confided secrets to cause I knew he would always support me no matter what I was going through he didn't judge. I miss him! The children miss their Papa. Watch over us from above Big Daddy<3



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**Shannon Marie Bauer** - June 18, 2021 at 05:36 PM