



Michael Earl Smiley

December 9, 1958 - April 28, 2020

Michael Earl Smiley, 61, of Columbus, died Tuesday April 28th at the Cancer Treatment Centers of America in Newnan, Ga, following complications after a simple procedure. Mike had survived the last 7 years with lung cancer, working right up to his death.

Born in Salinas, California in 1958 to Army parents, the late SSgt Wesley Earl Smiley and Virginia Smiley of Columbus, he lived in and around the area for most of his life. Following graduation from Kendrick High school, he enlisted in the US Navy and served aboard the carrier USS Dwight D. Eisenhower. At home here he attended tech college and owned and operated Computer Masters in Phoenix City. During the last 20 years he became a professional truck driver for numerous big fleet companies, seeing this country and photographing his journey, which earned him the ID Pictoretaker. After working years as an on road driver trainer for Werner trucking, he became an owner operator for them and took his wife on the road with him.

He was survived by his wife and partner of 10 years, Tatiana Anatoly Smiley, his sons, Brendan Wesley and Kyle Patrick Smiley of Phoenix, Arizona, her daughters Yana and Vlada, grandsons Timothy and Max of Russia, and his sister Kathleen Smiley Alleman of Snellville, Ga. and her children Michael Alleman of Hurst, Tx and Kari Alleman of Snellville Ga. and many nieces and nephews.

Besides his parents, he was predeceased in death by a sister, Navy LCdr Colleen Smiley Owendoff of Annapolis, Maryland, and an infant brother,

Patrick Michael Smiley, of Iowa.

There will be no services at this time due to the Covid-19 pandemic. We will announce a local memorial service when allowed. In the mean time we ask you leave messages and condolences for his family at www.mckoon.com.

McKoon Funeral Home & Crematory (770) 253-4580.

Cemetery Details

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Tribute Wall

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“ I met Mike back in 1979 when we were both stationed at Whidbey Island.
He was someone special who always made me glad to hear from him on our occasional cross-country phone calls, whether he was on the road in his long-haul truck or puttering around the house. He always had interesting stories about what he was doing.
I'm sorry to find out that he is no longer with us and give my condolences to his family.
Fare the well my friend.

Richard Maclam - August 08, 2022 at 06:54 PM

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“ So sorry micheals family he was such a great friend of mine i love him dearly and i will miss him greatly love you forever micheal aka big mike

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There are friends that come into your life; some become family. Know that Michael and his family will live in my heart forever.

Jeffrey Nix - May 02, 2020 at 01:34 PM

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I just saw this, and I am heartbroken. Mike was a dear friend of my family around the time he first started driving a big truck out of Snellville. Many of his photos of my family and our sweet pup have been on the walls of our home for decades. Mike was a good man. Love and prayers to his family. God bless.

Sarah Draut - January 18, 2023 at 08:35 PM