



Micheal Dean Evenson

July 9, 1947 - February 21, 2026

Micheal Dean “Mike” Evenson, 78, was called home to be with the Lord on February 21, 2026, at his residence in Fredonia, Kansas. His faith was steady and his humor was a gift to everyone fortunate enough to know him.

Mike was born on July 9, 1947, in Neodesha, Kansas, to Lucile (Eaton) and Don Evenson. A proud graduate of Fredonia High School’s Class of 1965, he went on to serve in the Kansas Army National Guard from 1965–1971. Over the years, he lent his time, talent, and trademark humor to many organizations, including the American Legion, the Tri-Valley Street Rod Association, and the Fredonia Volunteer Fire Department, where he served for ten years. A steadfast man of faith, he was a longtime member of Buxton Christian Church.

For more than 50 years, Mike worked at LaDow & Spohn Printing, proving that while trends may change, craftsmanship, loyalty, and good jokes never go out of

style.

In his younger days, Mike found joy in dirt track racing. He also loved woodworking, restoring antique cars, and creating beauty with his hands. If you ever talked with Mike, even for five minutes, you probably laughed, learned something, or left with one of his famous oneliners. He possessed a quick wit, the heart of a poet, and the faith of a man who knew exactly where he was headed.

Some of Mike's happiest hours were spent in "the shop," surrounded by his wife and close friends, a good dart game, or a competitive round of backgammon. In 1968 Mike married Jane McGinnis, with whom he welcomed two children, Dana and Donavon. They later divorced. In 1990 he married Jamie Carlburg and embraced her daughter, Amanda, as his own. Jamie preceded him in death in 2002. In 2005 he married Connie Collins, who survives him at their home and who remained his partner through every laugh, project, prayer, and chapter.

Mike is survived by his children: Dana (Randy) Stierwalt of Neodesha, Donavon (Tempist) Evenson of Fredonia, Amanda (Dennis) Diskin of Shawnee, Kansas, Carianne (Troy) Short of Cedar Grove, Wisconsin. He also leaves behind his sister Donna Wiltse of Wichita, 2 nephews, 12 grandchildren, and 5

greatgrandchildren.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Buxton Christian Church, a place that nurtured Mike's faith and community.

A memorial service honoring Mike's life and legacy will be held at 10:00 AM on Saturday, February 28, 2026, at Buxton Christian Church, 3254 500 Rd., Fredonia, Kansas.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

FEB **28**. 10:00 AM (CT)

Buxton Christian Church
3254 500 Road
Fredonia, KS 66736

Tribute Wall



“ *Connie and family, we so wish we could be there with you to celebrate Mike. I know how happy he made you, Connie. We enjoyed his dry sense of humor. May he rest in peace now and may God be with you and the family. With all of our love, John and Sharon*

John and Sharon Wesley - February 27 at 07:21 PM



“ *Fiery Lily and Rose was purchased for the family of Micheal Dean Evenson.*



February 27 at 09:53 AM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Micheal Dean Evenson.*

February 27 at 09:53 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Micheal Dean Evenson.*



February 26 at 12:02 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Micheal Dean Evenson.

February 26 at 12:02 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Micheal Dean Evenson.



February 25 at 05:10 PM



“ *Fontella Fyfe lit a candle in memory of Micheal Evenson*



Fontella Fyfe - February 25 at 04:29 PM

JR

“ *Connie and Family,
I am so sorry for your loss of Mike. I hadn't
seen him a lot in the last few years, but he he
was a good friend to me when I needed it the
most;
I know you will miss him, but you do have the
hope of seeing him again
one day. Connie, no one should have to go through what you are
enduring, and I'll be praying for you as you navigate through
everything that is ahead.
Sending Hugs your way.*



jan Robinson - February 25 at 11:07 AM

BR

“ *Donna, Connie and family I am so so very sorry for your loss. Love
Brenda (Cousin)*

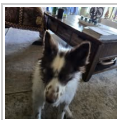
Brenda - February 25 at 09:40 AM

BC

“ *Barbara Clopton lit a candle in memory of
Micheal Evenson*



Barbara Clopton - February 24 at 07:05 PM



*Connie & family,
So sorry for your loss.
Prayers*

Brenda Coburn - February 28 at 07:48 AM