



Michael W. Rhineer, Sr.

May 17, 1944 - May 17, 2015

Michael W. Rhineer, Sr., 71, of Willow Street passed away Sunday evening, May 17, 2015 surrounded by his loving family after a courageous battle with cancer. Born in Lancaster on February 21, 1944, he was the son of the late Mervin C. and Irene Wise Rhineer. Mike was the husband of Darlene M. Rhineer, with whom he married on February 25, 1961.

Mike was a hard working and dedicated businessman. He owned and operated Mike Rhineer Excavating, LLC for over 40 years. His true passion was his love for horses and teaching the younger generation the technique of roping. Mike was competitive and a champion in calf and team roping. He was an instructor of youth roping and team roping. He loved to support his grandkids in the youth rodeo. Mike was a member of the First Frontier Circuit Rodeo, Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association, Eastern Shore Roping Association, US Team Roping Association and American Professional Rodeo Association. He attended the Worship Center.

Mike's wife Darlene survives him along with his children, Michael W. Rhineer, Jr. and Tammy A. Rhineer, both of Willow Street. Poppop's legacy will forever live on in his grandchildren, Dallas C. Rhineer, Justin Shearer, Michael R. and Colton Rhineer. Two sisters also survive, Debbie J., wife of Barry Hershey of Willow Street and Brenda Rhineer Ambrose of Lancaster. He was preceded in death by his daughter-in-law, Shannon P. Rhineer.

Family and friends are respectfully invited to attend Mike's Funeral Service on Wednesday, May 27, 2015 at 11AM from the Worship Center, 2384 New

Holland Pike, Lancaster with Rev. Amos G. Dienner and Don Schock officiating. Friends will be received at the Worship Center on Tuesday, May 26 from 2 to 4 PM and 6 to 8 PM and on Wednesday from 10 to 11 AM. Interment will be held in the Boehm's United Methodist Cemetery, Willow Street. Please omit flowers, memorial remembrances may be made in Mike's memory to Lancaster County Christian School, 2390 New Holland Pike, Lancaster, PA 17601 for the benefit of Michael and Colton Rhineer's Educational Fund. For other information please call 717-872-1779 or to submit an online condolence visit www.thegundelchapel.com.

Tribute Wall



“ *Michael W. Rhineer, Sr.*

October 22, 2023 at 10:35 PM



“ *Michael W. Rhineer, Sr.*

October 06, 2023 at 08:29 AM



“ *Michael W. Rhineer, Sr.*

October 05, 2023 at 11:43 PM



“ *My condolences to the Rhineer family. I am truly sorry for your loss and pray that God will be with you all during this trying time. God Bless.*

Sarah Snyder - Holtwood, PA - friend - June 11, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ *On behalf of the entire team at Groff's, we pass on our deepest sympathies to the Rhineer family as Mike passed on from this life. We have enjoyed being neighbor's/customers of Rhineer Excavating and we know Mike will be missed by his family and the community. We would like to honor his legacy and will be contributing to the educational fund as a company in his honor. God bless you all, Adrian Groff, Vice President*

Adrian Groff - Willow Street, PA - Neighbor- Groff's Heating - June 01, 2015 at 12:00 AM

LF

“ Tammy, Darlene, and Mike. I just heard the sad news and my heart goes out to you all. Mike was such a wonderful man, and I appreciated how nice he was to my kids and I years ago when I'd visit Tammy. My thoughts and prayers are with you all.

Lisa (Rittenhouse) Stoltzfus - Lancaster, PA - Tammy's friend - May 27, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MF

“ Darlene, Mike Jr., and Tammy,
Our deepest sympathies go out to you and your family. We, too, our sharing in your time of sorrow with the passing of our son, Scott. May our Lord comfort you and your family during this time of grief. Our thoughts and prayers are with you, Bud, Susan & Family

Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Keemer - Lancaster, PA - Friend - May 26, 2015 at 12:00 AM

EF

“ Darlene, Mike Jr., and Tammy,
I'm sorry I can't be with you to celebrate Mike Srs life.. My heartfelt condolences.. He was a special man, supportive...always with a kind word.. I'm glad I had the opportunity to know him and feed off his positive attitude. I've made a donation in his name to the school fund.
With my deepest sympathy,
Erica Friedman

Erica Friedman - Cream Ridge, NJ - Friend - May 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SU

“ Darlene.Mike jr and Tammy my prayers are with yours Heaven got another angel

Sandy Lepley - Auburn, MI - uncle - May 21, 2015 at 12:00 AM

RF

“ Thoughts and prayers to the Rhineer family.

Rick Graham - Lancaster, PA - Friend of Justin and family - May 21, 2015 at 12:00 AM

TP

“ My deepest sympathy to the family. My thoughts and prayers are with you in this difficult time. May Mike Rest in Peace. May God give you all the strength you need to get through this.

The Cano Family. - Lancaster, PA - May 21, 2015 at 12:00 AM

WP

“ So sorry for the loss, but fondly remembering Mike's character and contributions to youth rodeo!
The Swarr Family

Wanda Swarr - East Earl, PA - May 21, 2015 at 12:00 AM

HF

“ We are very sorry for your loss. Mike will not be forgotten he has touched so many people. mike was a true example and inspiration of how people should treat people he will be forever in many hearts

Haines Henry Jr - pequea, PA - friend - May 21, 2015 at 12:00 AM