



## Michael David Allred

October 6, 1956 - January 14, 2019

Michael D. Allred, passed away on January 14, 2019 at the George E. Whalen VA facility, surrounded by family and friends. Mike was born October 6, 1956 to David H. Allred and Shirley VanBallegoie Allred. Mike was the second oldest of five children. He loved being the big brother and always looked out for his mother and sisters. Mike graduated from Clearfield High School in 1975. While attending high school he was on the football team, joined the ROTC and performed with the drama team. Mike starred in many roles, but his favorite one was playing Santa Clause. Mike would play Santa Clause every year as well as for family and friends' gatherings. After high school Mike worked at Lagoon Amusement Park during the summer of 1976, where he met his wife, Peggy Ann Robinson. Mike married Peggy on March 19, 1977 in the Southern Baptist Church in Warner Robins, Georgia.

Soon after graduating high school Mike joined the Air Force and got stationed at Malstrom AFB in Great Falls, Montana where he performed sustained maintenance on minuteman missiles. His service was cut short due to health reasons and he was medically discharged.

Mike and Peggy moved back to Utah and settled in Layton where Mike raised three children: Melissa Ann, Joshua Michael, and Ambere Dawn. While working as an animal control officer Mike enrolled at Weber State University where he received his associate degree. His major focus of study was communications with a minor in psychology. While there he worked at the student radio station where he earned the nickname "The Wildman". His love of music was brought to a whole new level and he enjoyed sharing his passion for music with others; especially working along side his good friend Jerri Byers. Mike then got a security job which moved him out of the DJ booth and into the front lines of live music. His cohorts were now the musicians that he had only previously heard through his headphones. He was dubbed "The Animal" partly due to his enormous stature and fuzzy face. This served him well in his security job as he could portray intimidation. However, Mike was a gentle giant and had a big heart. While working with CSC as security Mike was able to meet numerous famous musicians from a variety of genres. "The Animal" took pride in working venues during the Winter Olympics and at Mile High Stadium where he could watch his favorite football team. And he still made time to support

the local boys at the U of U.

Health reasons again cut another illustrious career short. However, Mike would not let this detour him from living life to its' fullest. If he couldn't get in a boat to fish, then the shorelines at Jordanelle and Rockport with his Dad and Brother would do just fine. He renewed his love for motorcycles while building his trike with his brother. He drove that thing everywhere and had the biggest grin every time he took it out for a drive. It made him feel free. But his greatest accomplishment was his children and grandchildren. Mike truly enjoyed raising his children and sharing his passion for life with them. He was happiest while spending time with his grandchildren and sneaking coffee into their bottles. Mike and Peggy left Layton and resided in Clinton for 7 years. There Mike enjoyed various hobbies with his wife, helping with the care of his grandchildren and family visits. He also took comfort in the fact that he could walk down the street to visit the final resting place of his mother.

As Mike's health declined significantly, it was decided by family that he could receive better care at the George E. Wahlen VA home. The staff were fantastic with Mike's care and needs. Many of the residents and staff called him "Mikey". He wanted to participate in all the rec activities and was a bingo champ. He made staff and residents laugh and made friends with everyone he met. Mike loved his Monday coffee date with his daughter Ambere and weekly visits with his wife Peg, his son Josh and his daughter Missy. Mike recently celebrated his 62nd birthday and Christmas with his family. In one of his proudest moments he was able to attend his youngest daughter Ambere's graduation from Weber State University. We all will be forever grateful for the care Mike received while at the VA home. We truly appreciate that the VA presented our brother, father, son and grandfather with military honors the night of his passing. With the flag draped over him and staff along the corridor with their hands over their hearts and others saluting, with taps being played and the flags flown at half-mast. We appreciate Premier Funeral Services for handling the cremation and details to make this process easier.

Mike is survived by his father David H. Allred, wife of 42 years Peggy Allred, his daughter Melissa Ann Allred, his son Joshua Michael Allred and his fiancée Monice Mecham, his daughter Ambere Dawn Nelson and husband Christopher Nelson, sisters Shirlene Allred, Christina Nalder, and Tina Marie Rankin and brother Jeff Allred, Grandchildren Danielle Ortega, Quintin Allred, Wyatt Nelson, Nevaeh Miller, Chris Mecham, Kaylana Nelson, Jenna Nelson, Kayla Allred and Kylee Allred. He is preceded by his mother Shirley VanBallegooie, granddaughters Jordan Courageous Allred, Elizabeth Allred, his in-laws W. Clyde and Carol Robinson and many others that have gone before him. "Our family chain is broken, and nothing seems the same; but God calls us one by one, and the chain will link again".

There will be a memorial at the George E. Wahlen Facility on Saturday, January 26, 2019 from 1-3pm. For family, friends and staff to celebrate Mike's life. Then the Patriot Guard

Riders will lead a procession to the Clinton City Cemetery for a graveside service with military honors.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to the George E. Wahlen recreational department in honor of Michael David Allred. Please specify that the donation is for the rec department. The donation can be mailed or taken into the facility, or you may give it to his daughter Ambere and she will take it into the facility.

“All I know is they better have coffee up there”.

# Comments

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“ Laurie Walton sent a virtual gift in memory of Michael David Allred

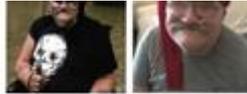


Laurie Walton - February 09, 2019 at 05:47 PM

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Cherie Freeman - January 26, 2019 at 09:38 AM

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“ “Jeeeffff! Mike’s poking me in the chest again!!!” (Circa 1976/1977)

Old but great memories...

God bless the Allred family, and most of all, Mike. Knowing Mike, he’s probably trying to poke me in the chest as I write this. (-;

I know Mike will be greatly missed by everyone that knew him. ^

-Jay Jay Linton

Jay Linton - January 23, 2019 at 09:47 PM

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“ I knew Mike through Tina. She and I worked together at Hill AFB. We were on a bowling league with Mike. What fun! Mike reminded me of Harry from Harry and the Hendersons. He truly was a gentle giant, and I was privileged to know him. May God comfort all with wonderful memories of good times with Mike.

**Jeff Gottlob** - January 23, 2019 at 06:20 PM

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“ Michael was a gentle giant with a heart of gold to go with it. He was always there for his family and friends but would help anyone in need. Family was the most important thing to him. The VA did such a great job in taking care of Michael. even up to the end. His family is so grateful for every member of the staff and the people he met and made friends with. Bless his wife, his children and his grandchildre in this somber time but we all are relief knowing he is up in paradise with him mom, granddaughters and people that have gone before him. He is no longer suffering and is whole again. Talking up a storm and drinking his coffee. George E. Wahlen staff have all been there with each of us and again appreciate their care, love and dignity Mike deserved. Miss you so much big guy and will alwas be in my heart and soul and am grateful you are up the there with so many people. Say hi to mom and give her a big kiss and hug from me. Love you to the moon and back. Love your sister, Christina.

**Christina B Nalder** - January 23, 2019 at 03:47 PM



“ I didn't know Mike well but he seemed like a good guy. My daughter spent time over at their home when she was younger. So I just want send my sympathies and prayers for comfort at this time.

**Marjorie Miller** - January 23, 2019 at 07:40 PM