



Michael "Mike" E. Wills

January 18, 1962 - June 24, 2024

Michael (Mike) E. Wills of Middletown, DE found peace on Monday, June 24, 2024, at the age of 62 surrounded by his loving family. Born on January 18, 1962, in Wilmington, DE, Mike was a quiet man with a genuine and kind heart. He nurtured strong, loving connections with his family, friends, and co-workers through his hard work, goodwill, and giving nature. He enjoyed hotrods and classic cars and was a member of Yesterday's Chevrolet for 34 years. Mike was a talented mechanic who was always ready to talk about cars with his buds. Beyond his interest in vehicles, Mike had a deep love of animals, especially his dogs, Kylie and Blizzard. Mike also enjoyed craft beer, finding "treasures" at yard/estate sales, and playing poker with family and friends. In his younger years, he loved to ski in both the water and snow, and ride dirt bikes.

As a testament to kindness, Mike would eagerly help anyone that asked. Mike was an exceptional friend, sweet husband, and loving son and brother. He will be deeply missed and in our hearts forever.

Mike is survived by his wife, Jennifer Cook; stepdaughter, Laurene Munyan; and stepson-in-law, Philip Munyan; stepson, Jared Dayton; grandchildren, Eleanor and Oliver Munyan; mother, Julia Chernutan; sister, Ruby Tiberi; and brother-in-law, Poncho Tiberi; brother, Timothy Wills; along with numerous beloved aunts, uncles, nephews, nieces, and friends. Mike was preceded in

death by his father, Charles E. Wills and sister-in-law, Mary E. Wills.

Please join us to celebrate the life of this wonderful man on Tuesday, July 9, 2024, with a public viewing at Strano & Feeley Family Funeral Home, 635 Churchmans Rd. Newark, DE 19702, from 6-9 PM. Additional public viewing time will follow on Wednesday, July 10, 2024, from 9:30-11 AM with funeral services beginning thereafter at 11 AM at the funeral home. Burial will follow to Mike's final resting place at Old Drawers Church Cemetery in Odessa, DE.

In lieu of flowers, please consider making a donation in Mike's name to the Brandywine Valley SPCA in New Castle, DE. For directions or to send an online condolence, visit www.stranofeeley.com

Cemetery Details

Old Drawyer Church Cemetery

2839 DuPont Hwy

Previous Events

Viewing

JUL 9. 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

Strano & Feeley Family Funeral Home
635 Churchmans Rd.
Newark, DE 19702
(302) 731-5459

Viewing

JUL 10. 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

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635 Churchmans Rd.
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Service

JUL 10. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

CR

“ *Cindy Blevins & Eric Russo purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of Michael "Mike" E. Wills.*



Cindy Blevins & Eric Russo - July 09, 2024 at 12:03 PM

MF

“ *Mikes Sunbelt Rentals Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Michael "Mike" E. Wills.*

Mikes Sunbelt Rentals Family - July 09, 2024 at 09:21 AM

MF

“ *Mikes Sunbelt Rentals Family purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Michael "Mike" E. Wills.*



Mikes Sunbelt Rentals Family - July 09, 2024 at 09:21 AM

GW

“ *I'll definitely miss Mike, he was the most genuine person that I have ever met. He invited me to the poker table 20 years ago and I'm sure he regretted it for all those years, but I'm proud to call him a real friend. My condolences to the family and all that were lucky to know him. Save me a seat at the table.*

Greg Williams - July 08, 2024 at 07:50 PM

AT

“ Aunt Polly, Bill, Tammy, Leanna, & Terri purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Michael "Mike" E. Wills.



Aunt Polly, Bill, Tammy, Leanna, & Terri - July 06, 2024 at 07:56 AM

TD

“ Thomas Dipaola planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Michael "Mike" E. Wills.

Thomas Dipaola - July 05, 2024 at 10:21 AM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Michael "Mike" E. Wills.



July 05, 2024 at 10:21 AM

MT

“ *Michael and I shared many good memories in the 20 years we were together - with the family and the car clubs. He was a hard worker & an honest mechanic who was willing to help you out. I would have never imagined that his life would be cut short like this. My heart goes to Julia, Ruby, Tim and the entire family. I am so very sorry for your loss.*



*With love and sympathy
MaryAnn Tavares*

MaryAnn Tavares - July 02, 2024 at 09:41 AM

TM

I'm so sorry this is so late, but I just heard this sad news. Mike was just a youngster when he began working with me. We worked together for many years, and although I saw some frustrating moments, as we all have working at a dealership, he was the most calm and caring soul to work with. My sincere condolences to his entire family. May he Rest in Peace in Heaven, and reminisce with those who went before him 🙏

Teri McFadden - November 21, 2025 at 12:18 AM

TM

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WS

“ *My wife and I loved Mike like a brother! he was one of the greatest human beings we ever met, and Mike will be missed every day!*

Yesterdays Chevy Club will never be the same without Mikey

Warren M Shanks - July 01, 2024 at 07:11 PM

MF

“ *Mario and Debbie Tiberi and Family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Michael "Mike" E. Wills.*



Mario and Debbie Tiberi and Family - July 01, 2024 at 10:47 AM

SC

“ *Steve & Cyndi Chernutan lit a candle in memory of Michael "Mike" Wills*



Steve & Cyndi Chernutan - June 27, 2024 at 01:22 PM

WP

*Hi Jenn, Katharine and I were so sad to read about Mike. We didn't want to believe it. We have such a great memory of meeting you both at the Macungie Wheels of Time car show. The highlight was you two taking us for a ride in your '36 Buick. Mike was a little heavy on the gas pedal! Our thoughts are with you.
Katharine and Will Pereira*

Willard F Pereira - July 13, 2024 at 02:13 PM