



## Forrest Michael Woodruff

March 5, 1954 - August 14, 2021

Forrest Michael Woodruff (Tenspeed), 67, of Millington, TN left this world on August 14, 2021. Mike was born March 5th, 1954 in Rolla, MO to the late Forrest Roy Woodruff and Leota Southards Woodruff.

He joined the United States Navy in 1971 to travel the world, and after the military, he began driving a truck until he became disabled in 1993.

Mike was very passionate about helping veterans, and attended many charity functions to raise funds or serve those at the VA Hospital in Memphis, as well as many other local charities. He was a proud member of the law enforcement Motorcycle Club, Reguladores, where he served as their secretary in The Blues City Posse Chapter in Memphis, TN.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Forrest Roy and Leota, his sister Deborah Woodruff Herrera, his niece, Cassandra Alexander, and nephews, Bryan Baker and Charles Alexander.

He is survived by his wife of 41 years (married 32), Paula W. Woodruff, children Shane Earl Woodruff (Erica), Marcia Woodruff Stowe (Brian), Forrest Michael Woodruff II (Tracey), and a bonus son, Johnathan Odell. Eight grandchildren, Alex, Destiny, Cory, TJ, Nathan, Jordan, Kayla, Savannah, and one great grandchild, Gabriel. Siblings, Sandra Howe (Del), JD Woodruff

(Doris), Stormy Martin (Harold), Ernie Woodruff, Carla Huddleston (Kevin), Kim Murphree, and many nieces and nephews.

There will be a Memorial service held for Mike on September 10th, 2021 at 2:00 PM at Memorial Park Funeral Home and Cemetery, 5668 Poplar Ave. Memphis, TN 38119, in the Rotunda. He will be cremated and will remain with his wife.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to the Memphis Veterans Hospital to the program of your choice.

<https://www.memphis.va.gov/giving/index.asp>

# Tribute Wall



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Forrest Michael Woodruff.



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September 10, 2021 at 12:37 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Forrest Michael Woodruff.



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September 07, 2021 at 03:27 PM



“ *Rest in peace, Mike. You were a sweet soul from the time you were born. Love, Aunt Sharon Woodruff Ferguson.*

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**Sharon Ferguson** - September 05, 2021 at 07:12 AM

JW

“Tenspeed ” where do I start. We meet because of a game called darts. It brought a lot of us together we all became friends and to some of us you and Paula became family. I just want to let Paula and your kids know how big an influence you were to me and many others. Thank you for sharing him with us because of your generosity all of our lives were changed the day that we meet. I thank you Jesus for allowing me to meet a man like "Tenspeed " my life is richer and blessed more than I deserve. May you ride the Golden highway and say hello to those who have gone before us. May you Rest in Paradise my friend Godspeed.  
John R Wilson

John Wilson - August 31, 2021 at 03:53 AM



“ A lot of memories & life lessons were taught to me over the 30 years from this great man. Simply put, I miss my 2nd dad, mentor, friend. Keep the beer cold. I love you. We love you.

Odell Jonathan - August 21, 2021 at 09:25 AM

DC

“ I'll forever his Dill Pickle and remember him singing the Dill Pickle song. Mike was "Dad" to all of us girls growing up..... My heart aches for the Woodruff family - My thoughts and prayers are with you all ♡ love you always.



Delia Caride - August 21, 2021 at 03:51 AM

VC

“ Paula and kids I am so sorry for your loss praying for you all and your family

Vickie Coffman - August 20, 2021 at 06:32 PM

SW

“ When we started living full time in our rv one of our first destinations was Mike & Paula's house. We pulled up in our big boxy house pulling a tow vehicle and Mike had it figured out of where to park us. Opened his gates and even tore up his beloved yard getting us settled. He could not have been more accommodating. He cooked for us and needless to say we partied our asses off. Always with a smile on his face. Gonna miss you Mike. Thank you for loving my sister and giving her such a great family.

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**Sally Wasden** - August 20, 2021 at 12:46 PM