



## Michael Lee Rice

May 21, 1958 - November 12, 2025

Michael “Mike” Lee Rice

Michael “Mike” Lee Rice, 67, of Beggs, Oklahoma passed away on November 12th, 2025, surrounded by the love of his family. A devoted husband, proud father, and beloved “Mr. Mike” to his grandson. Mike lived a life marked by service, grit, and an unwavering ability to see the good in everyone. He had a special unconditional love for the people that meant the most to him.

Mike was born on May 21st, 1958, in Okmulgee, Oklahoma to Carl Nolen Rice of Mounds, OK and Ina “Tiny” (Wilson) Rice of Mounds, OK. He graduated from Beggs High School in 1976. Mike spent his entire life in the rodeo community. Many of those years being an accomplished bull rider and running Rice Rodeo Company with his dad. In 1994, Mike joined the Okmulgee Fire Department, where he faithfully served his community for 28 years before retiring as Fire Captain in 2022.

A true cowboy at heart, Mike cherished time spent on his ranch, tending his cattle, and enjoying the quiet honest work of the land. He found his greatest joy in his family, and anyone who knew him understood just how much he loved them. Nothing could light up his day quite like one of Sandra’s home cooked steaks followed by a family-friendly fishing competition. The rules were simple. You had to catch the first, the biggest, or the most.

Mike is survived by his loving wife Sandra L. Rice; daughter Cassy L. Rice, son Cody L. Herman and wife Ali Herman; and grandson Silas Joe “SJ”. He is also survived by many extended family members, lifelong friends, and

brothers from the fire service who held a special place in his heart. Mike will be remembered for his kindness, his loyalty, and his steady willingness to lend a hand. His legacy lives on in the family he adored and the community he proudly served.

# Previous Events

## Viewing

NOV **20**. 1:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

McClendon-Winters Funeral Home - Beggs

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## Funeral Service

NOV **21**. 1:00 PM (CT)

First Assembly of God Beggs

400 E. Main

Beggs, OK

# Tribute Wall



“ McClendon-Winters Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Michael Lee Rice



McClendon-Winters Funeral Home - November 19, 2025 at 11:51 AM

SY

Mike and Carl were both friends for many years sorry I couldn't be there i don't get around very good anymore

Steve yocham - November 21, 2025 at 02:05 PM

TB

“ Prayers for comfort and understanding. Mike will be missed by many.



Terri Bridges - November 22, 2025 at 03:59 PM

KA

“ Kim Angle lit a candle in memory of Michael Lee Rice



Kim Angle - November 21, 2025 at 10:01 AM

DM

“ David Miller lit a candle in memory of Michael Lee Rice



David miller - November 19, 2025 at 06:23 PM



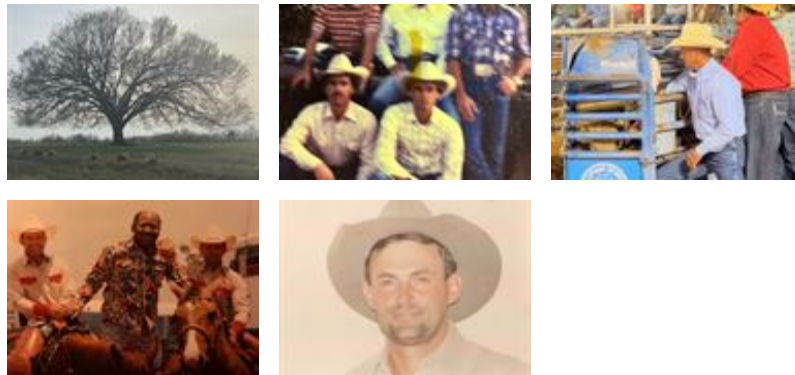
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McClendon-Winters Funeral Home - November 19, 2025 at 11:47 AM



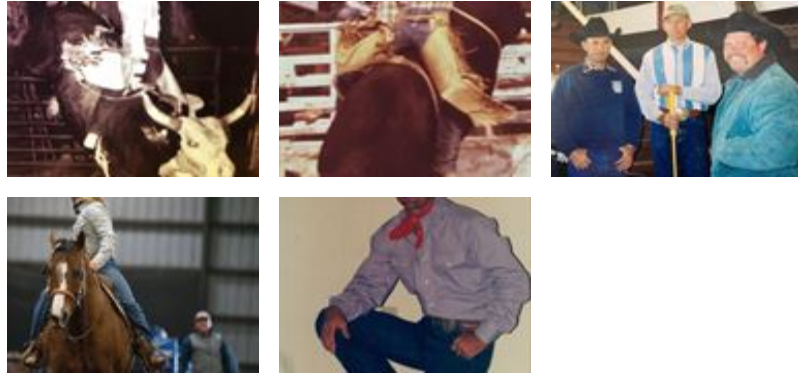
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McClendon-Winters Funeral Home - November 18, 2025 at 10:13 PM



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**McClendon-Winters Funeral Home** - November 18, 2025 at 05:29 PM

KP

“ *Karla Jo Poe lit a candle in memory of Michael Lee Rice*



**Karla Jo Poe** - November 18, 2025 at 12:54 PM

KR

“ *Sending my love to the Rice family. Mike was always so kind, so helpful and a great friend to my dad. Thank you for that Mike! You will be missed by many!*



**Kaitlin Rouk** - November 17, 2025 at 07:55 PM

CH

“ Charles & Sharon Hiner lit a candle in memory of Michael Lee Rice



Charles & Sharon Hiner - November 17, 2025 at 03:47 PM

EB

“ I have so many memories of Mike. We all grew up together in the rodeo family. I will always cherish those memories.



Earlene Barlow - November 17, 2025 at 08:46 AM

TF

“ The Shoulders Family purchased the Grand Meat & Cheese Gift Crate for the family of Michael Lee Rice.



The Shoulders Family - November 17, 2025 at 08:46 AM

TC

“ I remember practicing with the boys in baseball playing volleyball on summer nights and bass fishing the farm ponds. work and the years got between us but you have always been a friend.a really good person and a fine man you will be missed greatly.my deepest condolences to your family. tom coale

tom coale - November 16, 2025 at 05:10 PM

LS

“ *Larry Stutsman lit a candle in memory of Michael Lee Rice*



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**Larry stutsman** - November 15, 2025 at 03:21 PM

CC

“ *Clay Copenhaver lit a candle in memory of Michael Lee Rice*



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**Clay Copenhaver** - November 14, 2025 at 11:30 PM

EL

“ *A job well done and a life well lived rest in peace my brother.*



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**Ernest Ledbetter** - November 14, 2025 at 06:07 PM

SW

“ *Suzanne Wise lit a candle in memory of Michael Lee Rice*



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**Suzanne Wise** - November 14, 2025 at 05:46 PM

SP

“ *Sturlin Pearce lit a candle in memory of Michael Lee Rice*



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**Sturlin Pearce** - November 14, 2025 at 05:14 PM

DG

“ *Always a friendly smile & greeting - A good man & neighbor - Will be missed by many.*

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**Dick E Gaden** - November 14, 2025 at 11:08 AM



“ *REST IN PEACE YOU HAVE EARNED, Mike!*



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**Linda Siegenthaler Chambers** - November 14, 2025 at 09:03 AM

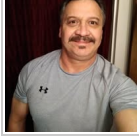
VB

“ *So sorry to all of Mike's family and friends! Sending prayers for all!*



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**Vicki Brose** - November 13, 2025 at 09:57 PM



“ Rest easy Mike love you brother!



Mark Ledbetter - November 13, 2025 at 07:19 PM



“ My condolences to the family.



Kathryn Colbert - November 13, 2025 at 07:14 PM



“ Charla K Davis lit a candle in memory of Michael Lee Rice



Charla K Davis - November 13, 2025 at 04:57 PM



I was so happy to see Mike Rice at the Family Reunion this year. I was so sad to hear this news. My Prayers are with Mike's family. You are loved by so many. 🙏❤️🙏 Rest in Peace my sweet cousin.

Charla K Davis - November 13, 2025 at 05:00 PM



My heart breaks for Mike's family; life snuffed out too soon. Many prayers, Sandra.

Shirley Scott - November 14, 2025 at 10:00 PM

SS

“ *Stan & Paula Sowder lit a candle in memory of Michael Lee Rice*



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**Stan & Paula Sowder** - November 13, 2025 at 04:37 PM