



Michael Christopher Tyrrell

June 15, 1973 - April 2, 2020

Michael C. Tyrrell, age 46, went to be with his Lord and Savior Jesus Christ on the afternoon of April 2, 2020, after a year-long battle with stage 4 esophageal cancer. Mike spent his last year fighting for every extra day he could spend with his wife Erin and children, Tess, Ruby, Jack, and Henry.

Mike was born on June 15, 1973, in Dallas, Texas to Maryann and Jack Tyrrell. Mike attended Edward S. Marcus High School and is remembered by the class of 1992 for his humor and laid-back attitude. Mike attended several community colleges and took a year off to work in the mountains of Colorado before graduating from the University of North Texas in 1999 with a Bachelor of Applied Arts and Sciences degree.

Before graduation, Mike began working for International Business Machines (IBM) where he loyally worked for 21 years. He was known as an exceptional person to work with by both his coworkers and customers. When not hard at work for IBM, Mike always made time to spend many miles on his bike with dear friends.

Mike and Erin married in 2005 before being twice blessed with twins. In both work and family life, Mike consistently showed quiet strength, spiritual centeredness and a humble spirit. He masterfully balanced a demanding work schedule, a full family life and many close friendships.

Mike is survived by his wife, Erin Donovan Tyrrell and their four beautiful children, Tess, Ruby, Jack & Henry; his mother, Maryann Olson; his brother John and wife Karen; his sister Colleen and husband Robert. He is further survived by nieces and nephews and many friends he loved dearly.

A service to honor and celebrate Mike's life will be held when it's appropriate and safe for all. We will be sure to make this date public as soon as possible.

In lieu of gifts or flowers, a fund has been set up for his children. If you would like more information on how to contribute, please email Haydn Schwedland:

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Comments



“ I went to Marcus High School with Mike and his sister Colleen was a longtime best friend of mine. I considered all the Tyrrell's family. Very saddened to learn that always sweet Mike went to heaven way too early. Very glad he was blessed here on earth with beautiful children & a lovely wife. I pray for peace & healing for all of them. Till we meet again in heaven Mike

Charlotte Menke Skaggs - December 01, 2020 at 01:19 AM



“ I had the pleasure of working with Mike for several years at IBM. Mike worked honestly, earnestly and transparently to make sure everyone involved in our activities benefited from the outcomes. Mike inspired others to have confidence in themselves and over the years I was not surprised to see him rise as a leader in our organization. While we spent countless hours on the road I know his family was always top of mind. I remember when he cut a trip short to make sure he could get home for a bicycle ride with his family. Mike will be missed not only for the excellence and professionalism that he brought to our work, but also for the positive effect he created in others. My thoughts and prayers are with Mike and his family.

John Velisaris - June 19, 2020 at 03:19 PM



“ Mike was the most incredible person I have ever had the pleasure to know, work with and consider a friend. Mike was always there for anyone that needed it with guidance, advice, or just a shoulder to lean on. Mike always discussed his wife and children and he was a model to follow and emulate.

Rob Israel - May 01, 2020 at 04:06 PM



“ I worked closely with Mike as part of IBM's North America Security Team. I respected him as a professional for the outstanding contributions he made. I loved him for the friendship he provided to me and so many IBMers, Customers and Partners. I remember so many conversations with him about his wife and children whom it was clear he loved very much. I consider myself very lucky to of known Mike and look forward to catching up with him in Gods Heavenly Kingdom.

Edmund Terry - April 22, 2020 at 03:59 PM



“ My family was blessed with our children & the Tyrrell children growing up together. They had fun times, difficult times & were enriched by each other. Mike was the “baby”! Always sweet & kind. Grew into a wonderful Christian man & exhibited that in public & private. We take comfort from knowing he’s in the arms of Jesus in that splendid heavenly home as promised by our Lord & Savior.

The Hughes family: Albert, Joanne, Jan & Alan.

Joanne Hughes - April 23, 2020 at 06:23 PM



“ Mike was an exceptional person. When I joined IBM's Security team, Mike immediately stood out as one of those folks who would step up and solve complex issues. He just had the right touch at the right time and you could tell he cared a lot about helping others. He was the sanity we often needed to see and hear and the energy so many of us benefited from knowing him. God Bless.

Gary Troup - April 24, 2020 at 08:58 AM



“ I had the privilege and honor to have gotten to know Mike. We worked together over the past 5 years. Mike was someone who I greatly admired and was a mentor to me. We would often chat about our passions outside of IBM and how they provided the relief we would need at times to clear our heads and then get back it. I was in awe of Mike in the way he went about doing his job at IBM and learned so much from him. I am deeply saddened about Mike's passion but I am happy to know he is no longer in pain. Rest in peace my friend and thank you.

John Pannella - April 30, 2020 at 04:27 PM