



Michael Hugh Hopson

February 5, 2021

Michael Hugh Hopson, 75, passed away February, 5th after a yearlong battle with cancer.

Mike is survived by his wife of 52 years, Judy Hopson; their daughter Amy Nobles and her husband Chad, their son Josh Hopson and his wife Nelly; three beloved grandchildren; Wade Nobles, 16, Kate Nobles, 14, Lilly Hopson, 4 and brother Jimmy Hopson and wife Nicole.

Mike had many titles over his 75 years of life but some of his favorites were educator and coach. He had a passion for teaching students and he did that on all academic levels from the elementary school to the college campus. Seeing students excel in the classroom, on the golf course and in life gave him great joy. He shared the gift of knowledge and memory that God gifted him with in every way he could.

When Mike was not teaching, he was on the golf course. Golf was a passion he found at the age of 13, guided by his father. It took him to many exciting places, allowed him to meet many wonderful people and build life long friendships. In retirement he liked to say he played golf on every day that ended in "y". Just about the only thing that would keep him off the golf course was a sporting event in which his grandchildren were participating. If they were playing on a field or a court, he would be in the stands or on the sidelines. Hop was their biggest fan.

Mike was never without a smile, a good story, or a joke.

A Scholarship has been set up in Mike's honor at Stephen F. Austin University

Donations can be made to:

The Michael Hopson Memorial Golf Scholarship

PO Box 6092 - SFA station

Nacogdoches, TX 75962

Check made out to: Stephen F. Austin State University Foundation or SFASU Foundation.

(Denote in the memo section for the benefit of Mike Hopson)

<https://graphite.sfasu.edu/give/development/mikehopson-golf-scholarship>

The condolences of the Addison family and staff go out to Mr. Hopson's family and friends.

Comments



“ Not real sure why I waited so long to send this but coach Hopson was my golf coach in 1971 when I was at Plano High. Loved the man! Although I wasn't great material he tried desperately to help me be my best. Hitting golf balls in the baseball field across the street from his house. I caddied for him when he was trying to qualify for the US Open in I think in 1973. Thought a lot of the man. Rest in peace!! God Bless !!

Mike Wilson - January 28 at 10:32 PM



“ Mike was the Principal of Rockwall High School where I was the Guidance Department Chair. It never failed that when our counseling staff was rushing around to meet a deadline for scheduling or graduation Mike was always there to help us! He was a wonderful educator and leader. Our family was blessed to know the Hopson family and Amy often babysat our kids. We have the family in our thoughts and prayers.

Teddi and Dale Cherry

Teddi Cherry - February 12, 2021 at 06:32 PM



“ Oh my goodness, I have so many memories of Mike and Judy and their family. Mike was the principal at Rockwall High School in Rockwall, Texas and there were so many funny, funny stories. Like the kid who was left in the trunk of a car--in August--so he wouldn't get caught skipping during off campus lunch. Mike actually saved that kid from dying from heat exhaustion. Then there was the time after his mother passed away, and he spoke to the grief group to tell them that all people experience the pains of loss--not just kids. The kids adored him for that. Then when my husband had a heart attack and six bypass surgery, Mike and Judy came to Big Baylor in Dallas and sat with me during the long surgery! I will love them forever for that. Such good, kind, loving people.

Judy, Amy, Josh and family, please know that Sam and I send our love and prayers and remember all of you with such fondness and love!

Sam and Linda Duran

Linda Duran - February 11, 2021 at 07:56 PM



“ 2 files added to the album Plano East Sr. High



Kelly Moore - February 11, 2021 at 02:28 AM



“ Very few discussions of Jay’s childhood do not include Josh and your family. We have so many wonderful and funny adventures. Judy and Mike helped all of us navigate Dooley Elementary school and we missed them horribly when they moved. Mike was a positive and supportive influence on Jay and the other kids who played sports and grew up in Los Rios. We are very sorry to hear this news. Jack and Ellen Williams

Ellen Williams - February 10, 2021 at 05:08 PM



“ Sacred Garden Spray was purchased for the family of Michael Hugh Hopson.



February 10, 2021 at 01:33 PM



“ Treasured Lilies Spray was purchased for the family of Michael Hugh Hopson.



February 10, 2021 at 11:31 AM



“ Mike and Darlene Duncan purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Michael Hugh Hopson.



Mike and Darlene Duncan - February 10, 2021 at 11:24 AM



“ Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased for the family of Michael Hugh Hopson.



February 09, 2021 at 04:18 PM



“ Love, the Guinn and Feris families purchased the Glorious Grace Bouquet for the family of Michael Hugh Hopson.



Love, the Guinn and Feris families - February 09, 2021 at 09:36 AM



“ I had the privilege of knowing Mike for more than 50 years as a friend, coworker, confidant, and, when I was lucky, as a golf partner. As a coworker I always enjoyed and appreciated his directness, fairness, loyalty, and his sense of humor. One of the unique qualities about Mike as an excellent golfer was that he always seemed to enjoy playing whether it was in a competitive tournament or out with some of us duffers. He was always kind, patient, and fun to be with regardless of how bad we played. Our families made many great memories together over the years through ski trips, outings, and sporting events. It is always hard to lose a loyal friend like Mike, and I'm going to miss him until we meet again. My prayers go out to Judy, Amy, Josh, and the rest of the Hopson family during this very difficult time.

Lester Prince

Lester Prince - February 09, 2021 at 12:12 AM



“ Coach Hopson was our son's golf coach at SFA, we spend many hours on the golf course with him. Coach had a great impact on our son and they became more than coach and student they became and remained friends. We are saddened to hear of his passing. Our prayers go out to his family. Gary and Winnie Grossman

winnie grossman - February 08, 2021 at 09:59 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Michael Hugh Hopson.



February 08, 2021 at 09:21 PM



“ I taught at Plano East Senior High when Mike was associate principal there. May peace be with Mike, and may his family stay strong during this difficult time. God Bless.
Rick Saigling

Rick Saigling - February 08, 2021 at 05:27 PM



“ Mike was a good friend and golfing buddy who will be deeply missed. Mike impacted many at Woodforest Golf Club with his high level of play, his competitive spirit, and his love for family, especially his grandchildren. Mike’s moral compass and witty evaluation of daily life will be missed. May God bless Mike for eternity, and may God shower his family with love and peace that surpasses understanding during this time of loss.

Herb Reynolds - February 08, 2021 at 02:28 PM



“ Magnificent Life Spray was purchased for the family of Michael Hugh Hopson.



February 08, 2021 at 01:58 PM



“ Mike Hopson was my boss as well as a great friend to me and my husband while working at Plano East Senior High School. We have so many great memories that we will always cherish. My first encounter with Mike as my boss wasn’t the greatest! He came in my office looking for a pen that would write. He pulled out the middle drawer of my desk and it came all the way out, dumping the entire contents on the floor! Not the best start, but the beginning of years of a great friendship between our families. Our prayers are with Judy, Amy, and Josh during this most difficult time as well as the extended family. Pat and Jerry Davis, Eustace, TX

Pat Davis - February 07, 2021 at 08:09 PM