



## William "Mike" Craig

December 7, 2023

William Michael "Mike" Craig, (80), of Magnolia, Texas, passed away on Thursday, December 7, 2023, after an arduous battle with terminal illnesses. Born in Texarkana, Texas, Mike attended St. James Day School and Texas High before entering the United States Army Special Forces 101st Airborne as a medic stationed in South Korea. After the army, he attended the University of Texas at Austin at the same time as Farrah Fawcett, a fact he would not want forgotten, and spent time living in Dallas, where he frequented the Quiet Man Pub and raced stock cars, not immediately subsequent to each other. Later he joined the Teamsters and drove tractor-trailers before eventually becoming, among other things, a Pinkerton security guard. A tremendous lover of learning, he pursued further education and graduated with honors from Lone Star College Tomball.

Mike is survived by his wife, Gladys Sharon Caudle Craig, and their two children, Doris Melissa and Elizabeth Lynn, as well as his grandchildren, Ehlana and Laurana Cross. He was predeceased by his parents, Bennie Whitley and Doris Louise Meissner Craig.

A dedicated runner for most of his life, he competed in any race he could convince his family to attend, up to and including marathons and triathlons. When he wasn't running, he was likely writing stories or poetry, reading history books, playing golf, or working on cars. Anyone who spent any time with Mike

will tell you that he led a Technicolor life and had more stories to share than most, but even more important to him than his many adventures was his faith in Jesus Christ. He now undertakes his final adventure as he joins his Savior in Heaven, leaving behind a legacy of lives touched by his inimitable humor, his keen intellect, and his unforgettable eccentricities. There will never be another like him. He will be profoundly missed.

Mike's family will host a funeral service on Wednesday, December 13th, 2023, at 2pm. The service will be at Magnolia Funeral Home.

The Addison family and staff of Magnolia Funeral Home extend condolences to the Craig family during this difficult time.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC **13**. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Magnolia Funeral Home  
811 South Magnolia Blvd.  
Magnolia, TX 77355  
(281) 356-3363  
magnoliafh@yahoo.com  
<https://magnoliafunerals.com>

## Funeral Service

DEC **13**. 2:00 PM (CT)

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## Burial

DEC **13** (CT)

Magnolia Memorial Gardens Cemetery  
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# Tribute Wall



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*He will be missed. Gone but not forgotten.*

Joseph Logue - December 13, 2023 at 01:49 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of William "Mike" Craig.*



December 11, 2023 at 06:46 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of William "Mike" Craig.*



December 11, 2023 at 04:32 PM