



Michael H. Gage

March 14, 1951 - March 2, 2024

Michael H. Gage, age 72 of Clare, formerly of Farwell, passed away on Saturday, March 2, 2024 at the MyMichigan Medical Center of Midland surrounded by family. On March 14, 1951, Michael was born the son of Alfred J. and Maben (Hassler) Gage in Saginaw, Michigan where Michael grew up and graduated from Arthur Hill in Saginaw class of 1970. Not long after high school, Michael joined the Army Reserves but was discharged several years later. Michael then began his work career in sales, having served thirty-plus years in the industry with the Rent-A-Center, ABC Warehouse, and Aaron's store brands—most notably having been the operating manager that started and operated the Aaron's store in Mt. Pleasant, Michigan. In 1984, Michael moved to Farwell, and continued to be a Central Michigan area resident for the remainder of his life. He was an avid outdoorsman that enjoyed camping, snowmobiling, fishing, and hunting both pheasants in his younger years and deer throughout his life. He had a beanie baby collection that was second to none, and he was never shy to brag about how many times he got to take a company trip to enjoy Vegas. Michael's most recent and favorite activity was spending time with his grandson. However, those that knew Michael best will tell you that it was his overwhelming kindness and gentle heart that spoke to his true nature.

Michael is survived by his two daughters Mallory (Justin White) Gage of Mt. Pleasant and Kelsey (Christopher) Jakovac-Harris of Farwell. He is also

survived by his grandson Christian Michael Jakovac-Harris and many close friends from his hometown of Saginaw. Michael was preceded in death by his parents Alfred and Maben Gage and his half-brother Wayne Kendall.

In keeping with Michael's wishes, a private graveside service will take place at the Surrey Township Cemetery of Farwell where he will be laid to rest beside his parents. Memorial contributions in honor of Michael may be directed to the American Kidney Foundation and online condolences may be shared on his tribute page at www.stephenson-wyman.com

Cemetery Details

Surrey Township Cemetery

101 W. Ludington Dr.
Farwell, MI 48622

Tribute Wall

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“ Mike Gage was a great man, and I will never forget him. He always was a great person to work with. He was always generous and a funny person that made it easy to work for. The one thing I remember the most was when I interviewed with him and he told me that I was hired that he mentioned something to me as I was leaving. He told me to remove the tag I had on my suit jacket that my future mother-in-law bought for me for that interview. On a sad note some of the people I worked with at the Rent-A-Center in Saginaw, several other people who I worked with has also passed. There was Brett, Ron Sr., and Wayne Ullman. He helped me get promoted to a store manager at the Bay City new store Rent-A-Center. Of all the jobs I ever had over my life time, he was the best boss I ever had and a great friend. He always took care of the people that worked with him and he will be surely missed. I only wish I knew that he was not doing well and I only found out that he did pass away nearly a year ago. God Bless him and his family and a great man he was to me. Love you Mike.

Gilbert - March 13, 2025 at 01:45 PM

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“ I am Michael's first cousin..I had no idea that Michael had died. My name is Bob Gage. Please get in contact with me. 989-430-2144

Bob Gage - June 15, 2024 at 01:48 PM

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My name is Virgil Lyons, I worked with Mike at Rent-A-Center from 1984 to 1991. A old co-worker Steve Dise let me know about mike's passing. So sorry to hear this news, you have my condolences & prayers for your family.

Virgil O Lyons - September 04, 2024 at 02:41 PM