



## Mike Voegeli

March 3, 1958 - March 7, 2021

Mike L. Voegeli, 63, passed away on Sunday, March 7th, 2021. A lifelong Okie from Muskogee, Mike was born in Muskogee to his parents, Robert W. and Madeline B. Voegeli. Mike graduated from Muskogee High School, and he was a proud class member of the Spirit of '76. Mike then went on to Oklahoma State University in Stillwater, OK where he graduated with a bachelor's degree in finance. Mike and Debbie married on May 23rd, 1981. Mike owned and ran Parisian Wolfe Dry Cleaners before going to work at the Veteran Affairs office as an Education Case Manager.

Mike is survived by his wife, Debbie (Downs) Voegeli, of Muskogee, OK; son, Ryan Voegeli and wife Jessica Voegeli, granddaughter, Olivia Marie, of Durango, CO; son, Jamie Voegeli and wife Paige; granddaughter, Charlotte Penny, of Tulsa, OK; brother, Bob Voegeli and wife Sarah, of Edmond, OK; brothers-in-law, Ronald Downs and wife Carolyn, of Muskogee, OK, and Mike Downs and wife Gwen of Little Elm, TX; nieces and nephews, Matt and Teresa Heisley of Dallas, TX, Jennifer Heisley of Tulsa, OK, Lisa Voegeli of Oklahoma City, Rob and Stacy Voegeli of Oklahoma City, Kacy and Tom Remy of Tulsa, OK, Jennifer and Jeremy Schuler of Muskogee, OK, and Mark Downs of Muskogee, OK; and his four-legged, man's best friend, Deefer Dog. Mike was preceded in death by his parents, Robert and Madeline Voegeli; sister, Marie Heisley Drummond; brothers-in-law, Dick Heisley and Tom Drummond; and mother-and father-in-law, Wanda (Penny) Downs and Major James Downs.

Mike was so many things to so many people. First and foremost, Mike was as selfless as they come. One of the good guys. He bled Orange - Loyal and True. As a scratch golfer, his love and expertise for golf was embedded in his sons. Grilling and cooking were his passions that brought so many to the table. He had a community of so many friends. From his Monday night card group to his Wednesday night golf outing to his Stillwater Tailgating and Watch-Partying Pokes and to his numerous co-workers and friends of the VA. Mike was loved and unforgettable by so many. But of all things, Mike loved and adored his family.

Family was everything. Nothing brought him more joy than catering to his wife, his bride, and best friend, Debbie, of 39 years; raising and being a friend to his two sons, Ryan and Jamie, his favorite golf buddies; embracing with open arms to his beautiful daughters-in-law, Jessica and Paige; and becoming a proud and energetic grandfather, Pops, to his adorable Olivia and Charlie. Mike's life will be celebrated at 2:00 pm Thursday, March 11th, 2021 at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Muskogee, OK with Father Cristler officiating. Funeral services provided by Cornerstone Funeral Home. Condolences may be made to the family online at <http://www.cornerstoneofmuskogee.com>.

# Cemetery Details

## Greenhill Cemetery

1500 N. York Street  
Muskogee, OK 74403

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

MAR 11. 2:00 PM (CT)

St. Joseph Catholic Church  
301 N. Virginia St.  
Muskogee, OK 74403

# Tribute Wall



“ *Mike Voegeli*

October 23, 2023 at 09:38 AM



“ *I just saw where Mike passed, I went to West High with him,he was a good guy,had him in band ,so sorry Debbie.*

**John Estep** - July 26, 2021 at 06:24 PM



“ *Joanne and I send our deepest sympathy for your loss. Mike was a fine man and truly one of the "good guys". Our prayers are with you and your family.*

*Gil and Joanne Davidson*

**Gil and Joanne Davidson** - March 12, 2021 at 08:59 AM



“ *We are so sorry for your loss. He was a great guy. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all. Mary Harris and Claudia Perkins from Southland Finance and Bill Payment center.*



**Claudia Perkins** - March 11, 2021 at 09:51 PM

SM

“ I still remember the first time I met Mike and Debbie. A dinner party where Jessica and Ryan first introduced their parents to each other! It was a wonderful dinner. Soon we started the special tradition of Thanksgiving dinners together. Mike always came willing to lend a hand anyway he could. His focus was on others and that is his legacy and remarkable talent.

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**Susan McGinley** - March 11, 2021 at 10:55 AM

LS

I really enjoyed working for Mike at Parisian he was great boss. The job was fun and enjoyable.  
Now when he was mad look out lol but he was a good man I really liked Debbie as well sweet and polite

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**Linda Sweden** - March 27, 2021 at 01:04 PM

KH

“ I was saddened when I heard of the passing of Mike. I got to know Mike and Debbie when their sons, Jamie and Ryan, attended A.R. where I was the principal. I always enjoyed his easy going style and pleasant demeanor. Long after our A.R. days I would see him around town; he never failed to strike up a conversation with me and brag on his family. Mike will be greatly missed. May the lord bring you peace and strength in this time of sorrow.

*Kerry Hillmon*

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**Kerry Hillmon** - March 10, 2021 at 10:50 PM

HC

“ Hugs, Lori Cain purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of Mike Voegeli.



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Hugs, Lori Cain - March 10, 2021 at 09:21 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Mike Voegeli.



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March 10, 2021 at 05:59 PM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Mike Voegeli.



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March 10, 2021 at 01:31 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mike Voegeli.



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March 10, 2021 at 12:29 PM

GB

“ I've known Mike since the seventh grade. We played on the tennis team together. He always made me laugh. In December of 1979 Mike and I decided to promote Big Bash New Years 1980....a PARTY at the fairgrounds in Muskogee. We worked very hard and it far exceeded our expectations. Mike and I had so much fun and were stunned that we made a nice profit. We decided to do it again, but life got in our way. Years later Mike got wind that I was going through something and appeared at my office and spent the day with me encouraging me as only Mike could. I love how things worked out for both of us. My heart goes out to Debbie and their children. Kelly and I send our prayers for comfort and peace. Like so many others have said....Mike will be missed. In my minds eye I always see Mike with a smile on his face. Little did he know how he enlightened all our lives.



Glenn Butler

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Glenn Butler - March 10, 2021 at 12:18 PM

CW

I've known Mike since 7th grade at West Jr High School. He was always a really nice guy. One of the best memories I have of Mike is when he was a dancing waiter in the school musical Hello Dolly. I'm sure that Mike is sitting in his Orange Palace in heaven and will forever be rooting on his favorite team the OSU Cowboys. I'll bet if we listen closely we'll hear Pistols firing. You will be forever missed. All my love and prayers for Debbie and the family

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Cindy Wise - March 10, 2021 at 07:50 PM

PC

“ Definitely one of the good guys!!! Super person.

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peter carrels - March 10, 2021 at 08:53 AM

DE

“ I was so surprised and deeply saddened when I heard this evening that Mike has passed away. Although I was a classmate of his older sister we became friends because of golf and our love of the historic Muskogee Country club. Mike eclipsed my golfing skills, however he was always supportive and helpful in improving my game. His and Debbie’s love and devotion to one another was obvious and they raised two exceptional sons. My condolences to Debby, Ryan, Jamie and the entire family.

David Edwards - March 09, 2021 at 10:48 PM

JP

I am so sorry you have left us Cousin Mike. Sending prayers of condolence for your family.

Judy Karr Pagano - March 12, 2021 at 10:31 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mike Voegeli.



March 09, 2021 at 10:00 PM

DP

“ We were so sorry to hear about Mike. You are all in our prayers. Don and Kathy Price

Don and Kathy Price - March 09, 2021 at 06:59 PM

DP

“ *Don And Kathy Price lit a candle in memory of Mike Voegeli*



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**Don and Kathy Price** - March 09, 2021 at 06:57 PM

DH

“ *Debbie & Family,  
So very sorry to hear of Mike's passing. You  
are all in my thoughts & prayers.  
Debra Houglan*



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**Debra Houglan** - March 09, 2021 at 05:59 PM

MC

“ *So sorry to hear of Mike's passing. Great guy in high school, even to those of us a grade behind him. I can't help but think of the story of John Keeling throwing a sharp pencil and sticking it in Mike's eye when they were younger, but they remained friends in spite of the incident, which is a tribute to Mike's classy, forgiving character. He was just an all-around good guy, clearly devoted to his wife and family. So sorry Debbie. Praying God's grace and mercy comfort you and your family in this time of grief.*

*Sincerely,*

*Mike Cox*

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**Mike Cox** - March 09, 2021 at 02:59 PM



“ *Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Mike Voegeli.*



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March 08, 2021 at 08:37 PM



“ *It is so difficult to think of losing a friend like Mike. I will always remember the great times we shared at Oklahoma State University. My deepest sympathy goes out to Debbie, the children and grandchildren. I know that these are only words, but they are words of great compassion for all of the family and friends of Mike who will miss him and his great gift of friendship. Leland "Bubby" Koch!*

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**Leland Koch** - March 08, 2021 at 05:42 PM

SP

*To Debbie and the Voegeli family, Sharon Kirby Payton, here Class of 76. I remember you two well. I'm so sorry for your loss. What a great testament to your long union. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family in times ahead.*

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**Sharon Kirby Payton** - March 09, 2021 at 09:10 PM

SR

*Sending love and prayers to Debbie and family*

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**Susan Baker Richardson** - March 11, 2021 at 08:40 AM