



## Michael Walsh

February 27, 1961 - September 10, 2008

TORRINGTON, WY . . . Memorial services for MICHAEL WALSH, 47, will be held at 2pm on Monday, September 15, 2008 at the First Wyoming United Presbyterian Church with Caleb Burton officiating. Michael died on September 10, 2008 at his home in Torrington. Cremation has taken place. In lieu of flowers, the family would request that memorial contributions be directed to the Deer Lodge Little League at 1025 Brookside Blvd, Deer Lodge, MT 59722. Additional services, with a Celebration of Mike's life and what he loved most, will be held on Sunday, September 21 at 1pm at JC Park in Deer Lodge, Montana. All are welcome at either service. Wyoming arrangements are under the direction of the Colyer Funeral Home and friends are invited to send condolences to the family at [www.colyerfuneralhome.com](http://www.colyerfuneralhome.com) Mike was born on February 27, 1961 in Rockville Center, New York the son of Patrick and Jeanne (D'Arc Nollet) Walsh. He grew up and received his education; graduating from Plainview High School in New York and from college at Florida State. He married Julie Long on March 20, 1993. Mike had been involved in hospital administration for the past 10 years, including Florida and Montana, and most recently Torrington, Wyoming. Mike had a great enjoyment for outdoor activities; fly fishing, hunting, and snow skiing; but his love was coaching Little League baseball. Mike found great pleasure in doing things with his family and; along with his family; he enjoyed friends and BBQ gatherings. He is survived by his wife, Julie of Torrington, Wyoming; daughter, Taylor, and son, Christopher both of the family home; four sisters, Marianne

Hilgreen and Patty (James) Fox all of New York; Theresa Walsh of Florida and Dr. Kathleen (Scott) Gross of North Carolina; and many loved nieces, nephews, and friends. He was preceded in death by his parents.

# Tribute Wall

GB

“ A little late to post here but in our teens we played in a band that would play “teen club” and we had a lot of fun putting together our garage band. To this day when I hear Sister Golden Hair, by the band America, I think of Mike. I am very sad to hear of his passing as he was always smiling and a joy to be around. R.I.P. Mike



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**George Blekas** - March 14, 2024 at 03:05 PM

RS

“ Julie, Christopher, & Taylor,  
We were very saddened to here of your loss. Your family are in our thoughts and prayers. Jonathan (as well as us) will always remember Coach Mike.

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**Ralph, Judy, & Jonathan Simmons** - September 10, 2008 at 12:00 AM

LA

“ I am a nurse a the Care Center and had the honor of knowing Mike. Though it was a short amount of time I still feel and see the positive impact that Mike set. His presence will truely be missed as we strive to move on and continue with his/our mission to our "commitment to excellence." I am sorry for your loss. Mike was a wonderful man and his smile will truely be missed. My thoughts and prayers are with you all. If there is anything I can do to help or if you need anything please let me know.  
God Bless,  
Lisa Anderson

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**Lisa Anderson** - September 10, 2008 at 12:00 AM

RS

“ Julie,

*We just got the news of Mike's passing and we are shocked and so very sorry! We will be praying for you and the kids. Please contact us if we can do anything else for you. Ryan lives out of the country but we will let him know as soon as we can and I'm sure he will also be praying for you.*

*Love you,  
The Smiths*

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**Robert, Edress and Jared Smith** - September 10, 2008 at 12:00 AM

CG

“ Julie, Taylor and Christopher,

*We are so saddened about losing Mike. We love your family so much. I remember meeting you guys a long, long time ago when you entrusted me with caring for Christopher. Then, when we met up again in baseball, it was like we never lost touch. We've missed you guys since you've moved, but we know you've always been our friends. William remembers Mike so well and truly enjoyed being on his "Cubbies" t-ball team. It was OUR honor and privilege to have our son coached by "Coach Mike". We will miss him. Our thoughts and prayers are with you, always. p.s. I love the picture of him in the paper--that is how we remember him--always smiling, no matter what. He enjoyed life.*

*Love, The Gentrys: Gary, Carole, Mitchell, Spencer and William.*

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**Carole and Gary Gentry** - September 10, 2008 at 12:00 AM

TR

“ Mike will truly be missed in Torrington, he had so many dreams to expand and make the hospital/Care Center/Evergreen Court a much better place for everyone.

*My thoughts and prayers are with you.*

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**Theil Ryan** - September 10, 2008 at 12:00 AM

BM

“ What we think of is the love he had for his wife and children....that was the core of his heart.

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**Bryce & Diane Mercier** - September 10, 2008 at 12:00 AM

JR

“ Julie, Chris, and Taylor-  
I'm so sorry for your loss. I am praying for you all, God bless you.  
Joye Rudd

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**Joye Rudd** - September 10, 2008 at 12:00 AM

DL

“ Dear Julie Taylor and Chris, we are so sorry! We are still in shock, but please know you are in our thoughts and prayers.

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**dave and patty lowery** - September 10, 2008 at 12:00 AM

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“ Julie,

*(i signed the guestbook at TDO, so i don't want to repeat myself)*

*i love you and my heartfelt prayers are with you and the kids. i'm so sorry for your loss (and ours). i know Mike has left behind many many fond memories and my prayer is that those would carry you through these very difficult days.*

*Danielle, Tres & Max*

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**danielle simmons (ledson)** - September 10, 2008 at 12:00 AM

MG

“ *Mike will always be remembered by us as someone who had a true love of the game of baseball, a true gift to work with kids, and a knack to make his smile and laugh contagious. As we all know, Mike was a man of many words, but those words were used to tell funny stories or to encourage those around him to give their best. That is what made Mike a good coach and an even better friend. Mike was always a leader and now he leads us into the next life. Mike, we will miss you greatly. Goodbye, my friend.*

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**Mike and Cindy George** - September 10, 2008 at 12:00 AM

RL

“ *Mr.Mike was an honest, loving, and kind man.He coached my brother Greyson Laramore who was on the team of The Raptors. When I spent the night with his son I could see how much of a great family they made. I would just like to say he was almost my second father here in Tallahassee until they moved to Montana and then I started to have conversations with Christoper by e-mail or phone. Mr.Mike Walsh and his family are in my thought and prayers every second.*

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**Ryker Laramore** - September 10, 2008 at 12:00 AM

GW

“ Mike was a very generous man who loved his family and life very much. He was a great addition to any community. I am very sorry for your loss and may the Lord bless and keep you.

*Glenda Wilson*

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**Glenda Wilson** - September 10, 2008 at 12:00 AM

AW

“ To the Walsh Family:

*There are no words that can ease the pain from the lost of a loved one but hopefully knowing how ?Mike? touch the lives of others will give you comfort and let you know how much he was loved. I had the pleasure of working and knowing Mike. His joyous spirit brought comfort to the halls of Gadsden Community Hospital. I will always remember his smile and laughter. My prayer and thoughts are with all of you. May God keep and bless all of you.*

*God?s Blessings*

*Angela Wright-Wilson*

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**Angela Wright-Wilson** - September 10, 2008 at 12:00 AM

JR

“ I worked with Mike at Gadsden Community Hospital. He was a true friend and a pleasure to be with. He was always laughing and and joking. He and I discussed religion and his firm belief in Jesus Christ as his Lord and Master. I know in my heart Mike is with Jesus and strolling around heaven singing and sharing his joy. I send my heartfelt sympathy to his wife and children. May God comfort your heart and give you peace.

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**James Roberson** - September 10, 2008 at 12:00 AM

SF

“ I was blessed to have worked with Mike at Gadsden Community Hospital. Such a bright man, with high ideals and a deep love for his family! I will always be grateful for his constant encouragement, his eternal optimism and his splendid smile.

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**Susan Ficklen** - September 10, 2008 at 12:00 AM

BB

“ I was honored to be allowed to become a friend of Mike's. We worked together for several years in Florida in Healthcare. We spent a lot of time talking about life and the things that really mattered such as God and Family! He was a Great Friend and you will be missed "Walsh" I just wish that God would have let you stick around a little longer to help more people become your friend like I did. I will miss you.

*Ben Burnham*

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**Ben Burnham** - September 10, 2008 at 12:00 AM

LS

“ Dear Julie, Chris, and Taylor,

*I was so saddened to hear of Mike's passing. I have fond memories of him picking up Taylor... always with a smile on his face. He was also an encouragement on the baseball field. He umpired for my son Joshua during many of his games. I remember Mike always having a "pep in his step" and just a joy in his heart in working with the kids. My prayers are with you all.*

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**Laurie Sapp** - September 10, 2008 at 12:00 AM

LH

“ Julie, Chris, and Taylor-  
Words cannot express my sadness at the passing of Mike. What a wonderful person and witness for God and Jesus Christ. His encouragement and positive attitude was always a welcomed part of my days at Gadsden Community Hospital. To say that he adored his family is an understatement. He cherished you all and talked about you constantly. He often said "Julie is incredible for putting up with me!" Taylor and Chris, your daddy loved you beyond words. He was so proud of you!! I know from our many conversations and his testimony that he is with his Lord and Savior and am comforted knowing that there is another angel in heaven looking out for us now. You all are in my thoughts and prayers.

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**Lana Harrison** - September 10, 2008 at 12:00 AM

JT

“ Mike was such a fun lovin' guy - was always laughing and having a good time especially with the kids. A baseball story to share about my son, Travis when he was in Legion and the Walsh's were here for their 1st summer -- Mike was umpiring and Mike was trying to get the kids to hurry in and hurry out between innings. Travis running in from the field and Mike said, "Come on, hurry in and hurry out!" and Travis, not really knowing Mike at all, said, "What, do you have a hot date?" Mike loved that story - he could not wait to tell me. From then on he and Travis were buds. Mike even asked Travis to help with Christopher's practices because Travis is small like Christopher. He was a great guy! We will miss him and his smiling face and energy especially at the baseball field.  
Love,  
Julie T

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**JULIE THOMPSON** - September 10, 2008 at 12:00 AM

SG

“ *The Lord is my Shepherd, I shall not want  
He maketh me to lie down in green pasture,  
He leadeth me beside still waters, he restoreth my soul.  
He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his namesake  
Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death  
I fear no evil, for thou art with me.  
Thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.  
Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies.  
Thou anointest my head with oil, my cup runneth over  
Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,  
And I shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever.  
My Dearest Family, I never met my brother, but I have spoken with  
him, our talks where of the values of life, friends, family and our  
Lord, do not sry for saddness, but cry the tears of joy, for he that  
goes before us, prepares the path for us to top follow. Many try to  
be good fathers, good husbands, good friend, we have found this in  
one person, you will be missed with teh fondness of memories for  
you have brought the light of happiness and joy to those that have  
crossed your path. Many thing can be said about my brother, but I  
think the term I like best is, "A Goodman"*

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**Scott R Gross** - September 10, 2008 at 12:00 AM

VM

“ Julie,

*Hearing the news of Mike's passing has reminded me of so many conversations which I shared with Mike and as I recall more often than not they always began and ended with a least a smile if not laughter! We all take for granted that we will have another day to see each other, but at times like this we are reminded that life is so very short. Mike was such a positive and supportive person with a heart as big as the Montana sky... and there was never a doubt my mind that he loved you and the children so very much... Please know that you and the Walsh family are in my thoughts and prayers...*

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**Vanessa McCroan** - September 10, 2008 at 12:00 AM

DF

“ Wow, what a shock to hear that you actually beat me to be with the Lord!

*Man I can still see you worshipping on the platform. Singing so loud, Playing so exhuberantly,just enjoying hanging out with Jesus! Man I am going to miss you as I have since you left Tallahassee. I will always remember and endeavor to be like you Mike.*

*If there is anything you need Julie please call me and Lanita we love you guys.*

*Mike was,and still is in heaven, a great great man. He truly brought the best in me and everybody around him.*

*So long ol buddy. I'll see you again after a while!!!*

*Bruce*

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**David Stallings and family** - September 10, 2008 at 12:00 AM

SS

“ I will sure miss Mike, I am shocked at the news of his death. He was a truly great man and friend. I was so hoping to catch up with him and share hunting and fishing stories from the past couple of years. Rachael and myself pray that the Lord would comfort you and your children in this time of sorrow. Please let us know if there is anything we could do for you or the kids. God bless

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**Shawn Simmons** - September 10, 2008 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ Julie, I just heard the news of Mike's passing last night. I am comforted to hear he was right with our Lord and a steady servant since we last crossed paths.

*Time will never diminish Mike's influence on my life, even before he was saved. He was e special mentor like no other before or since.*

*I will miss him greatly. Please do not hesitate to say "hi" sometime.*

*Love John McBride and family*

*Wife - Jennifer*

*Son - Will*

*Daughter - Piper*

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**John McBride** - September 10, 2008 at 12:00 AM

SR

“ Julie, I am so sorry to hear about Mike. Please know that you and the kids are in my prayers. If there is anything I can do to help, please do not hesitate to call me.

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**Shannon Rivera** - September 10, 2008 at 12:00 AM

DP

“ On behalf of the congregation of Fresh Fire Worship Center in Tallahassee, FL and by direction of the Administrative board of Fresh Fire Worship Center; Be it resolved that Michael "Mike" Walsh was a member in good standing at FFWC and was the "Praise and Worship Leader". And be it also resolved that he was viewed by all as a wonderful and kind man with a great love for God and his family. Be it also resolved that Mike was considered a close friend and fly fishing partner of our Pastor. It is resolved that we offer our condolences to Julie, Taylor and Christopher, we greive with you. He will be missed!

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**Dr. Charles Pettis** - September 10, 2008 at 12:00 AM

CW

“ Julie, Chris and Taylor,

*I feel so blessed that I got to know Mike. He was one of the nicest guys I've ever met, and the time that we spent on his soccer teams and in Cub Scouts are cherished memories. Mike was like walking sunshine to me, always smiling and enjoying life. I was so very grieved to hear that he passed away. There isn't any comfort except to know he's in heaven and is face-to-face with our Savior now. Please call or email me anytime. Much love to all of you.*

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**Cindy Wingler** - September 10, 2008 at 12:00 AM

CC

“ *To the Walsh family- I know words can never take away the pain that you're going through Just know that Mike was well loved by the Dasse Family. He was the one person we could count on to always have a smile on his face no matter what the situation was. He made you laugh no matter how down you were. You are in my thoughts and prayers.*

*Sincerely,*

*Cynthia Casteel*

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**Cynthia Casteel** - September 10, 2008 at 12:00 AM

DD

“ *Julie,  
We are so sorry for your loss. I cannot hear City on a Hill without thinking of worshipping with your family.*

*Shalom to you during this season.*

*Dan and Michelle.*

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**Dan and Michelle Dean** - September 10, 2008 at 12:00 AM

NM

“ *Julie, Taylor and Christopher,*

*My deepest sympathy and prayers go out to you.*

*Nancy*

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**Nancy Moreau** - September 10, 2008 at 12:00 AM

DW

“ Julie, I just heard. I know Mike will be missed by everyone who knew him.

*Be assured that this might have taking you by suprise, but it did not take God by suprise, and he will take care of you during this time of mourning. I speak from experence having lost Becky a little over a year ago.*

*Know that I am praying for you and your family as I write and will continue. Let me know If there is anything I can do please let me know.*

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**Derek Walker** - September 10, 2008 at 12:00 AM

JW

“ I AM VERY SORRY TO HEAR OF THE DEATH OF YOUR LOVED ONE. HE WAS A JOY TI WORK WITH AND A BEACON OF HOPE TO ALL WHO IS SAVED. A TRUE FRIEND. MAY GOD BLESS AND KEEP YOU ALWAYS, FOR I KNOW MIKE IS IN HEAVEN HAVING A WONDERFUL MEETING WITH OUR SAVIOR. GOD BLESS ALWAYS.

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**Joan Williams** - September 10, 2008 at 12:00 AM

AK

“ To my Brother, whom truly brought sunshine and fun into my life for such a short time. I will remember you as often as I open my mouth to praise our Lord in song.

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**April Kersch** - September 10, 2008 at 12:00 AM

AC

“ Julie,

*I jsut heard the news about Mike. I am so sorry for your loss. If there is anything I can do to help just let me know. You and the children are in our prayers.*

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**Art Clawson** - September 10, 2008 at 12:00 AM

VK

“ *It was a privelege and a pleasure to know Mike. If I can be of any help do not hesitate to call*

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**Vaneta Kerns** - September 10, 2008 at 12:00 AM

GD

“ *Julie, Taylor, and Christopher,*

*I had the pleasure of working with Mike in Quincy, Florida. His positive attitude and engaging personality were a bright light for all of us.*

*That great smile of his was never wider than when he was speaking of his family and family life. He loved you all so much. Hold onto that.*

*Glen Davis*

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**Glen Davis** - September 10, 2008 at 12:00 AM

LS

“ I had the pleasure of working with Mike during our days at Gadsden Community Hospital. Although in many ways that was a very stressful experience, it afforded me the opportunity to meet some wonderful people. Mike was certainly one of them. His smile and sense of humor always brightened my day. I am so very sorry to hear of your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with your family.

*Lynn Stabler*

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**Lynn Stabler** - September 10, 2008 at 12:00 AM

PR

“ Mike and I worked together at the Florida Department of Health in the 1990s. When he and Julie took on the responsibility of caring for his sister's son, Brian, we saw each other out on the Little League baseball field several times a week.

*He was certainly a good and caring man and his children should know that he always treated others fairly and with respect.*

*This is an incredible shock since he and Julie lived down the street from me in Tallahassee for a couple of years before they moved to Wyoming.*

*My prayers go out to Julie, Christopher and Taylor.*

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**Phil Reichert** - September 10, 2008 at 12:00 AM

GM

“ Words can't express how sorry I am for your loss. I was fortunate enough to work with Mike, even though it was only a short time. He was the type of person that you only had to meet once and be around a few minutes, and he changed your life. I never saw him without a smile on his face. Mike made such a huge impact on everyone here at the hospital and we were all so incredibly lucky to have him.

*I cannot begin to imagine the pain that you and your children are feeling. Please know that you are all in my thoughts and prayers and will remain there.*

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**Greta Mitchell** - September 10, 2008 at 12:00 AM

CE

“ This came as a total shock. I not have heard from Mike since he moved away from Tallahassee but he has been on my mind. I met Mike on the Little League field. I always enjoyed being on his team and going through those hot summer days umpiring during district, sectional and State tournaments. My thoughts and prayers are with the Walsh family.

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**Chris Evelo** - September 10, 2008 at 12:00 AM

DN

“ Julie,  
I am so sorry hear about Mike. If you are the kids need/want anything just let us know. You are a strong woman of God and He will get you through this.  
My thoughts and prayers are with you and the kids.

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**Debbie Nelson** - September 10, 2008 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ *Mrs. Julie, Christopher, and Taylor,  
My deepest thoughts are with you during this time of loss... I am so  
sorry to hear about Mr. Mike passing away. He was a great man,  
and I was deeply blessed to have him in my life, as well as all of  
you. You guys are forever in my heart and my prayers.  
Love each of you, and if you need anything please feel free to  
contact me. My deepest condolences to you and your family...  
much love,  
Jana*

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**Jana Mercier** - September 10, 2008 at 12:00 AM