



# Michael James Witt

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**M**r. Michael James Witt, age 52, went to be with his Lord Good Friday Evening, April 6, 2007, at the VNS Hospice Care Facility. Mike was born February 8, 1955 in Evergreen Park , IL to Albert and Eileen (Coughlin) Witt. He married the former Elise Scouten on July 21, 1978. Michael had been employed by Knoll Group for 29 years. He attended Our Lady of Grace Catholic Church, was a member of the Owasippe Conservation and Hunting Club, and an honorary Boy Scout of America. Michael was a great hunter and fisherman in the Blue Lake Area. Most of all, he was a wonderful husband, father, and friend.

SURVIVORS include his wife of 29 years, Elise; 1 daughter, Kay Elise (fiance, Mark Niskanen) Witt; 4 brothers, Dan (Nancy) Witt of Palos Hills, IL., Jerry Witt of Twin Lake, Ron and Albert Witt, both of Muskegon; 1 sister, Mary (Dan) McShannock of Fruitport; his best friend, Dan Osborn of Montague; and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents. A MEMORIAL SERVICE will be held 4:00 PM Wednesday, April 11, 2007 at Our Lady of Grace Catholic Church, 451 S. Getty St., with Rev. Father Phil Sliwinski presiding. VISITATION will be 5-8 PM Tuesday, at the Sytsema Chapel

Sytsema Funeral Homes, Inc.

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MEMORIAL CONTRIBUTIONS may be made to Hackley VNS – Hospice. Please share memories with the family at their on-line guestbook at [www.sytsemafh.com](http://www.sytsemafh.com).




## Events


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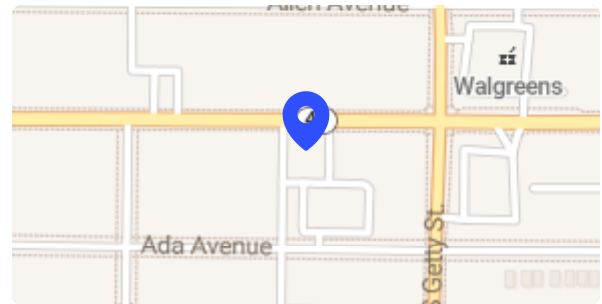
### Visitation

 **Tuesday**, April 10, 2007

 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM ET

 **Sytsema Funeral & Cremation Services - The Sytsema Chapel**

737 E. Apple Ave., Muskegon MI 49442





## Tribute Wall

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**Anonymous** posted:

One year has gone by since you left us and I miss you so much, your laughter and your stories of hunting and fishing. You are forever in my heart and I think of you every day. Say HI to mom and dad for me, as some day we will all be together again. Love, your sister Mary##imported-begin##Mary McShannock##imported-end##

April 30 at 12:29 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

You will always be in my heart little brother. Love you, Your only sister Mary##imported-begin##Mary McShannock##imported-end##

April 19 at 8:20 AM



**Anonymous** posted:

Dear Elise, Sorry about your loss. I was so surprised when Stacy called and told be of Mike's passing. Although we had not seen each other for many years I couldn't help but feel the loss too! We were good friends before we lost contact. I will always remember the good times we had all those years ago. May God Bless your family##imported-begin##Vicki Weller (Townsend)##imported-end##

April 14 at 3:59 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

am sorry to hear about your lost .mike was a good person to be around .. i enjoy his company,i first meet him when i work at Shaw walker , and we car pool for a bit ..been some time since i seen him ..carlos 04-12-07 10:25am##imported-begin##carlos h canales ##imported-end##

April 12 at 6:25 AM



**Anonymous** posted:

Elise & KayMy dearest sympathies for the loss of your husband & father. Thoughts and prayers are with you both.Barb (Frye) Christmas##imported-begin##Barb Christmas##imported-end##

April 11 at 10:13 AM



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**Anonymous** posted:

I'm so sorry for your loss. My thoughts are with you both.##imported-begin##Amanda (Frye) Dennison ##imported-end##

April 11 at 8:48 AM



**Anonymous** posted:

Elise and the whole Witt family - we are so sorry for your loss of Mike. It seems so unreal. Mike has memories way back to hanging out at the Witt family home - before Mike and Elise were married. Where have the years gone - it has to be 25 since we last saw you - and now the next time we will all meet will be in Heaven. Mike was a good man!!!! Our thoughts and prayers are with you.Love Th Kammers##imported-begin##Mike (Grey), Donna, Melissa Kammers##imported-end##

April 10 at 5:34 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

My thoughts are with your whole family.Lots of love Cindy Fris##imported-begin##Cindy Fris##imported-end##

April 10 at 3:48 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

I am sorry to hear about the loss of your father, Kay.My thoughts will be with you and Mark!##imported-begin##Rick TerMolen##imported-end##

April 10 at 1:18 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

Aunt Elise, I would like to let you know that my thoughts and prayers are with you and Kay. Love Shelly##imported-begin##Shelly (Scouten) Nelson##imported-end##

April 10 at 1:16 PM



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**Anonymous** posted:

Elise and Kay my thoughts and prayers are with you at your time of lost and sorrow. I will miss the warm conversations we had about you and Kay. There was so much love in his voice when he spoke of his ladies. It has been an honor and a pleasure to have taken care of Mike these past few months. Keep her heads up and know that Mike, s always with you in spirit. stay in peace you aide. Ethel.##imported-begin##Ethel Hicks##imported-end##

April 10 at 10:23 AM



**Anonymous** posted:

I love you Dad!##imported-begin##Kay Witt##imported-end##

April 10 at 9:59 AM



**Anonymous** posted:

Elise, I'm so sorry to hear of the loss of your husband. I will keep you and Kay in my prayers during this difficult time.##imported-begin##Joni Freiesleben##imported-end##

April 10 at 9:49 AM



**Anonymous** posted:

Dear Elise and Kay, Our deepest sympathy on your loss. We will miss seeing Mike and hearing about "his princess" and watching his face light up when he talked about both his ladies. Our hearts are with you. Jan and Lana##imported-begin##Jan & Lana @ Sabourin State Farm Insurance##imported-end##

April 10 at 8:06 AM



**Anonymous** posted:

My sympathy to Mike's Family. I also knew Mike from working at Knoll.##imported-begin##Jim Lowery##imported-end##

April 10 at 7:33 AM



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**Anonymous** posted:

I'm sorry to hear of Mike's passing. We had a lot of good times joking around while we worked at Knoll together. He will be missed greatly. May God be with you all. ##imported-begin## Bill French ##imported-end##

April 10 at 7:29 AM



**Anonymous** posted:

My condolences to Mike's family. I worked with Mike at Knoll. ##imported-begin## Harold Hardin, Camden, TN. ##imported-end##

April 10 at 7:20 AM



**Anonymous** posted:

We are so sorry to hear about Mike. He is now "home free". Always remember that and also "Life isn't always beautiful but it's a beautiful ride". Take care. We are thinking of you and Kay. God bless. ##imported-begin## Don, Gayle Visscher & family ##imported-end##

April 10 at 6:52 AM



**Anonymous** posted:

Elise & Kay, We are so sorry about your loss. Sometimes death seems awfully premature, but his memory will always be with you and influence the way you view and lead your lives. Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this time of great sorrow. ##imported-begin## Uncle Bruce & Aunt Lupe ##imported-end##

April 10 at 6:35 AM



**Anonymous** posted:

I had the pleasure of working with Mike at Knoll. He was a pleasure to know and work with. My condolences are with you and your family at this time of your sorrow. Noreen Finkler ##imported-begin## Noreen Finkler ##imported-end##

April 10 at 2:09 AM



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**Anonymous** posted:

Kay & Mark - my sincerest thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Kay, you have held up so well and I know you will continue to do so. Although I never met your dad, listening to you talk about him and seeing the smile on your face, showed me what a wonderful man and father he was. May you always hold on to those memories. Love you - Jenn##imported-begin##Jennifer Parker##imported-end##

April 9 at 5:48 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

I'm really sorry your loss and I want to let you that my thoughts are with you and your daughter.##imported-begin##UNCLE ANGUS##imported-end##

April 9 at 9:31 AM



**Anonymous** posted:

Elise, Kay and Mark,I just finished framing my drawing from Mikey. You all know how much I loved him and how much I love you too. You have all showed so much courage during the last few months. You are inspiring to us all...even this old nurse!!! Thanks so much for allowing us to share a lot of special moments with your family during the last few months and during the last 22 years. May we have many more memories to make and smile fondly on the ones that we are clinging to ever closely now. Hugs and kisses to all. Kim, George, Kevin, Matt, Spike and Archie##imported-begin##Kim Williams##imported-end##

April 9 at 8:41 AM



**Anonymous** posted:

Please accept my sincerest best wishes. May you find comfort in good memories.##imported-begin##Amy McFarren##imported-end##

April 9 at 8:12 AM



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**Anonymous** posted:

Dear Elise, I feel very fortunate to have had the opportunity to met Mike and yourself. I was very impressed by Mike's love for Kay and the joy he displayed when he talked about how proud he was of her. My impression was that Mike was a great father. I think Mike was one of those rare people who loved life and the people in his life. I think this was a choice he made- to focus on the good and to let go of the rest. If I can choose to adopt this lesson from Mike, not only will my life and those around me be better, but I will always carry a part of Mike with me. I also admire the courage you demonstrated thought out the last few months. Many times you inspired me with the care and love you demonstrated while you must have felt like your world was spinning out of control. Thank you very much for coming into my life.Holly Rance RN##imported-begin##Holly Rance RN##imported-end##

April 9 at 5:50 AM



## **Memories only last if you share them**

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