



Michael Wayne Abbott

July 6, 1959 - March 23, 2020

Michael Wayne Abbott, age 60, died on March 23, 2020 after his courageous battle with cancer.

Wayne was born in Perry, Florida on July 6, 1959 to his parents, Jimmy Lee and Dorothy Abbott of Madison, Florida.

For many years, Wayne served as a Boy Scout Leader serving Pack and Troop 454 where he was able to enjoy his love of the outdoors, hiking, camping, backpacking, kayaking, and much more.

He had worked many years at Roadway/ YRC with his last years in the trucking industry with ABF in Tifton, Georgia.

He was a member of Morningside Baptist Church in Valdosta, Ga. When Wayne and Ginny started attending Morningside, Wayne spoke many times of knowing that God had placed them in their church home. Wayne had the opportunity to share his testimony with his fellow co-workers and friends in November 2019. From the beginning of his diagnosis, Wayne had said he wanted to make sure he gave God all the glory during his journey. Wayne served as an usher and was active until just recently.

Wayne is survived by his parents, Jimmy Lee Abbott and Dorothy Abbott. He is also survived by his wife, Virginia (Ginny) Abbott of Valdosta, his son, Corey Delmas Wallis (Angela) of Fayetteville, N.C., a stepson, James Kirby

Alford II (Heather) of Greenville, S. C., and a stepdaughter, Kristina Marie Alford Walker of Valdosta.

Wayne leaves behind six grandchildren who he loved dearly, John Alex Walker (18) Valdosta, Christian Tyler Alford (15) , Mackenzie Grace Alford (12) , James Kirby Alford III (4) of Greenville, S. C. , Ryan Sheppard (13) and Noble Ronin Abbott (3) Fayetteville, N.C.

Wayne has one brother, Jimmy Dean Abbott (Lynn) of Tallahassee, Florida and one living nephew, Joshua Abbott (Tiffany) and two great nieces, Olivia and Kodi of Tallahassee, Florida. One nephew preceded him in death, Cody Abbott.

He is also survived by two aunts, many cousins, his spouse's family members and friends. He was a kind and generous man who will be missed by all.

A graveside will be held at 2:00 p.m. Friday, March 27, 2020 at Lee Memorial Cemetery in Lee, Florida.

In lieu of flowers, Wayne wanted any gifts of love to be made to the Family Life Center Building Fund of Morningside Baptist Church in Valdosta, Georgia.

Tribute Wall

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“Ginny and Family - John and I share in your sadness and emptiness as Wayne has transitioned to his Heavenly home with His precious Lord and Savior. Wow, does he ever have a big smile on his face now! I do not remember him without a smile....even though the pain he might be feeling at the time was tremendous, he still had that smile.

Thank you for being an example of a Christian wife who was "right there with him every step of this journey". God bless you and your family! We love you! John and Mary Frances

What a day that will be when we are reunited with those who have gone before us!

Mary Frances Hightower - March 26, 2020 at 04:41 PM