



Mr. Michael J. Strong

December 18, 1942 - December 4, 2017

Graveside services for Mr. Michael J. Strong, 74, of Henderson, will be at 10:00 a.m., Wednesday, December 6, 2017 at the tabernacle of Strong Cemetery with Matt Strong Officiating. Interment will follow under the direction of Crawford-A. Crim Funeral Home of Henderson.

Visitation will be from 5:00-7:00 p.m., Tuesday, December 5, 2017 at the funeral home.

Mr. Strong passed away December 4, 2017, at his residence. He was born December 18, 1942 in Rusk County, where he lived all his life. He was a former Sheriff of Rusk County, and a Special Texas Ranger for the Texas Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association. Michael served his country in the US Army.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Mack Ed and Faires Strong.

Survivors include: son, Matt Strong and wife Michelle of Henderson; daughter, Marty Keene and husband Kevin of Commerce; brother, Max Strong of Henderson; and three grandchildren, Morgan Morrison, Hudson Strong, and Harrison Strong.

Pallbearers are Justin Doerge, Shannon Doerge, Kyle Colston, Jace Pool,

Blake Smith, and Kevin Green. Honorary pallbearers are William Doerge, Jake Mims, Henry Truelock, Jack Craig, George Cooper, Terry Bridges, Charles Lee, and Jerry Bridges.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to St. Jude's Hospital, PO Box 1000, Dept. 142, Memphis, TN 38148-0142, or to Curepsp.org.

The family would like to give a special thanks to his caregivers, Linda Jordan, Shannon Brantley, Diane Flanagan, Anita Emmel, Jordan Bundrick, Donna Dorsey, and Lois Windom. Also special thanks to Angel Care Hospice.

Words of comfort may be shared with the family at www.crawfordacrim.com.

Cemetery Details

Strong Cemetery

CR 333
Henderson, TX 75652

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 5. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Crawford A. Crim Funeral Home
1414 South Main Street
Henderson, TX 75654

Graveside

DEC 6. 10:00 AM (CT)

Strong Cemetery
CR 333
Henderson, TX 75652

Tribute Wall



“ *Crawford A.Crim Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mr. Michael J. Strong*



Crawford- A.Crim Funeral Home - December 05, 2017 at 10:26 AM

SR

Very sorry to hear of Michael's passing. Went to school with him and he was such a fun person to be around. May God bless his family.

Sally Raibourn - December 07, 2017 at 12:24 PM

RB

“ *Rick Barron lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael J. Strong*



rick barron - February 15, 2018 at 05:30 PM

CD

“ *Charlotte Dominy lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael J. Strong*



Charlotte Dominy - January 20, 2018 at 10:09 PM

SJ

“ Steve and I send our sincere sympathy. May he rest in peace. Susan Summers Johnson



Susan Summers Johnson - December 09, 2017 at 08:04 PM

BM

“ I got to know Mike one on one during our geometry class we shared together in high school. We were seated beside each other for the entire year. Mikes dry wit kept me entertained. even though he was a man of few words. I have carried these particular memories of him with me to this day. My thoughts go out to the family at this sad time. Billy F. Martin

Billy F. Martin - December 09, 2017 at 05:15 PM

JT

Rest In Peace Mike. He was one of the best sheriffs this county ever had.

James Randy Thorne - December 10, 2017 at 09:06 AM

AM

“ Amy Miley lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael J. Strong



Amy Miley - December 07, 2017 at 09:41 AM

CC

“ *Chris Cavaliere lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael J. Strong*



Chris Cavaliere - December 07, 2017 at 06:50 AM

KC

“ *Matt,
Thanks (Little Brother) for letting me be a part of honoring your Father. He meant a lot to me and my dad. Too many stories, many great times that will never be forgotten. Your dad is smiling down on you now and Michelle right now. Great times, great friends and great stories. God Bless you and your family. Any time, any place, any where!!!*

Kyle and Stacy Colston

Kyle Colston - December 07, 2017 at 01:04 AM

CM

“ *Cheire Mims Mouzakis lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael J. Strong*



Cheire Mims Mouzakis - December 06, 2017 at 11:37 PM

CM

“ *Cheire Mims Mouzakis lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael J. Strong*



Cheire Mims Mouzakis - December 06, 2017 at 10:52 PM

TE

“ *Tamara Elliott lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael J. Strong*



Tamara Elliott - December 06, 2017 at 07:32 PM

RW

“ *Rhonda Whitley lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael J. Strong*



Rhonda Whitley - December 06, 2017 at 12:29 PM

SB

“ *I am so sorry to hear of Mike's passing. He was such a sweet and kind person. We always had a good time around him. He and my mother were good friends (Barbara Hays). He will truly be missed. Prayers for the family.*

Shelia Bledsoe

Shelia Bledsoe - December 06, 2017 at 12:15 PM

FG

“ Francis (Brown) Gilbert lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael J. Strong



Francis (Brown) Gilbert - December 06, 2017 at 09:32 AM

BF

“ Becky Craig Furr lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael J. Strong



Becky Craig Furr - December 06, 2017 at 12:07 AM

DS

“ Debbie Stuart lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael J. Strong



Debbie Stuart - December 05, 2017 at 11:36 PM

MP

“ Michael was the first sheriff that I worked for. Rest in Peace..



Margie Moore Pennington - December 05, 2017 at 10:41 PM

AL

“ *For the good times.*



A.L. Layne - December 05, 2017 at 10:32 PM

LR

“ *Leesa Ray lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael J. Strong*



Leesa Ray - December 05, 2017 at 06:22 PM

WR

“ *Winnie Ramey lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael J. Strong*



Winnie Ramey - December 05, 2017 at 05:49 PM

LN

“ *Lois Nichols lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael J. Strong*



Lois Nichols - December 05, 2017 at 04:47 PM

DB

“ Dorothy B. purchased a sympathy card for the family of Mr. Michael J. Strong.



Dorothy B. - December 05, 2017 at 04:09 PM

Julia Warden

“ Julia Warden lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael J. Strong



Julia Warden - December 05, 2017 at 03:52 PM



“ Michael was a man whose word was his bond. If he told you something, you could rely on it. He was a good friend and will be missed my man. Our thoughts and prayers are with his family and loved ones. Dean and Linda J. Smith



Linda Smith - December 05, 2017 at 03:36 PM



“ Stephen Newton lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael J. Strong



Stephen Newton - December 05, 2017 at 03:13 PM



“ *Bobby Weatherford lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael J. Strong*



Bobby Weatherford - December 05, 2017 at 03:08 PM

TV

“ *Sorry to learn of Mike's passing, my condolences to the family. It was a pleasure to have known Mike and served with him both in the National Guard and on Active Duty at Ft. Polk, LA in 1961-62.*

Tom Vaught - December 05, 2017 at 01:02 PM

JH

“ *Although I didn't know Mr. Strong personally, as a friend of family I know he passed from this world with a life "well lived". My condolences to you and your family, Marty.*

Jana Henderson - December 05, 2017 at 12:27 PM

GN

“ *Anyone can put on a cowboy hat and call themselves a country boy.....but it takes a true country boy to understand the real meaning behind it.....May the peace that comes from the memories of love shared with your Dad, Granddad and friend, comfort you all now and in the days ahead.
Love, Glenda Strong Nelson*



Glenda Nelson - December 05, 2017 at 12:14 PM

JW

“ *Jim Williams lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael J. Strong*



Jim Williams - December 05, 2017 at 12:13 PM

JC

“ *Janice Childers lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael J. Strong*



Janice Childers - December 05, 2017 at 11:46 AM

LA

“ *Larry, Michelle And Colton Akin lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael J. Strong*



Larry, Michelle and Colton Akin - December 05, 2017 at 11:05 AM

DD

“ *Doris Dorney lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael J. Strong*



Doris Dorney - December 05, 2017 at 10:17 AM

DD

Mike was among the first friends of Steve's that I met when we moved to Henderson in the mid-sixties. I remember meeting Mike one night when we were all just hanging out in the parking lot of Smith Chevrolet. So sorry to hear of his passing. He was quite a guy. Rest in Peace.

Doris Dorney - December 05, 2017 at 10:23 AM

MD

“ *May God's peace and comfort be with your family at this difficult time.*



Melissa Dobbs - December 05, 2017 at 09:55 AM

MG

“ *Marc, Dee Dee, Maley & Luke Green lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael J. Strong*



Marc, Dee Dee, Maley & Luke Green - December 05, 2017 at 09:37 AM

SJ

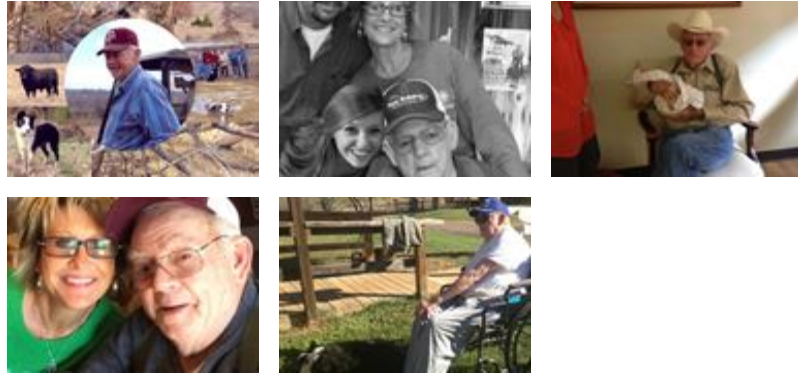
“ *Sonja Jackson-Martin lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael J. Strong*



Sonja Jackson-Martin - December 05, 2017 at 09:30 AM



“ 61 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Crawford- A.Crim Funeral Home - December 05, 2017 at 09:20 AM

TT

“ *Tad & Kristie Tidwell lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael J. Strong*



Tad & Kristie Tidwell - December 05, 2017 at 09:13 AM

WJ

“ *Wayne & Ivanell Jimmerson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael J. Strong*



Wayne & Ivanell Jimmerson - December 05, 2017 at 09:13 AM

John
Miller

“ *John Miller lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael J. Strong*



John Miller - December 05, 2017 at 09:03 AM

Melissa
Thomas

“ *Very sorry for your loss, our thoughts and prayers are with the family.*

*Love,
John Ben Perry family*



Melissa Thomas - December 05, 2017 at 08:33 AM

MD

“ *Matt Doerge lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael J. Strong*



Matt Doerge - December 05, 2017 at 08:32 AM

TP

“ *Teresa (Nutt) Prior lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael J. Strong*



Teresa (Nutt) Prior - December 05, 2017 at 03:23 AM

RJ

“ Randy And Tracey Johnson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael J. Strong



Randy and Tracey Johnson - December 05, 2017 at 12:05 AM

JY

“ Jim & Wilma Young lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael J. Strong



Jim & Wilma Young - December 04, 2017 at 11:19 PM

AE

“ Mr.Mike it was a true honor to be his friend through the journey of his illness . I will miss him ,may God comfort the family in this time of sorrow. Mr. Mike now finally rounding up the cattle in the greenest of greenery fields where his heart has always been . May not be any tractors but the cowboy has gone above.



Anita emmel - December 04, 2017 at 10:40 PM

HE

“ praying for you and your family your dad was a hell of a man wish I had meet him sooner



herbert emmel - December 04, 2017 at 10:30 PM



“ *Pud Patterson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael J. Strong*



pud patterson - December 04, 2017 at 09:54 PM



“ *Barry Hampton lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael J. Strong*



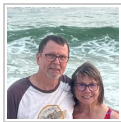
Barry Hampton - December 04, 2017 at 09:50 PM



“ *Pam Flanagan lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael J. Strong*



Pam Flanagan - December 04, 2017 at 09:05 PM



Matt and Marty, Prayers for all of you during this difficult time.

Pam Flanagan - December 04, 2017 at 09:06 PM

AD

“ *Alyce Doughtie lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael J. Strong*



Alyce Doughtie - December 04, 2017 at 08:38 PM

DG

“ *Darren Grammer lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael J. Strong*



Darren Grammer - December 04, 2017 at 08:32 PM

JR

“ *Jarrold & Wendi Ferguson & Rory lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael J. Strong*



Jarrold & Wendi Ferguson & Rory - December 04, 2017 at 07:55 PM

NR

“ *Nelwyn Richardson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael J. Strong*



Nelwyn Richardson - December 04, 2017 at 07:51 PM

DC

“ David And Jan Crow lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael J. Strong



David and Jan Crow - December 04, 2017 at 05:50 PM

BP

“ Matt and Marty and family. Prayers for you and your families during this difficult time. I know he and Doyle Williams are having a reunion and having causing mischief. He will be missed.

Beth Hale Pope.

Beth Pope - December 04, 2017 at 05:38 PM

JM

“ Joe & Vicki Mullins lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael J. Strong



Joe & Vicki Mullins - December 04, 2017 at 05:15 PM

MJ

“ Michelle Jordan lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael J. Strong



Michelle Jordan - December 04, 2017 at 05:11 PM

JH

“ *Jerry And Carol Harris lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael J. Strong*



Jerry and Carol Harris - December 04, 2017 at 04:23 PM

JS

“ *Judy Stokes lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael J. Strong*



Judy Stokes - December 04, 2017 at 03:27 PM

EB

“ *Elizabeth Brown Bow lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael J. Strong*



Elizabeth Brown Bow - December 04, 2017 at 02:45 PM

RC

“ *Never a better sheriff or friend to many in Rusk County, go rest high on the mountain my friend,*

Randy and Lisa Cook

randy cook - December 04, 2017 at 01:23 PM

KM

“ Kay & Malcolm Myers lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael J. Strong



Kay & Malcolm Myers - December 04, 2017 at 01:01 PM

KC

“ Kay & W. T. Castleberry lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael J. Strong



Kay & W. T. Castleberry - December 04, 2017 at 12:46 PM

DN

“ Debra Nichols lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael J. Strong



Debra Nichols - December 04, 2017 at 12:41 PM

NG

“ Nancy And Mark Gibson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael J. Strong



Nancy and Mark Gibson - December 04, 2017 at 12:34 PM

AH

“ Jimmy and Mike were close friends as you know, Matt. They are together again!



Anita Hays - December 04, 2017 at 12:24 PM

TR

“ Tony & Rhonda Roberts lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael J. Strong



Tony & Rhonda Roberts - December 04, 2017 at 12:16 PM

SR

“ Stan & Connie Rodgers lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael J. Strong



Stan & Connie Rodgers - December 04, 2017 at 11:50 AM

JB

“ Jane Brightwell lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael J. Strong



Jane Brightwell - December 04, 2017 at 11:41 AM

CN

“ Clay Newcomb lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael J. Strong



Clay Newcomb - December 04, 2017 at 10:53 AM

BJ

“ Betty Johnson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael J. Strong



betty johnson - December 04, 2017 at 10:52 AM

JJ

“ Jake Jordan lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael J. Strong



Jake Jordan - December 04, 2017 at 10:24 AM

CH

“ Charles Helton lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael J. Strong



Charles Helton - December 04, 2017 at 10:13 AM

LB

“ *Lisa Linder Barnett lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael J. Strong*



Lisa Linder Barnett - December 04, 2017 at 09:03 AM

TC

“ *Tony And Anita Cavaliere lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael J. Strong*



Tony and Anita Cavaliere - December 04, 2017 at 08:05 AM

GA

“ *Gale Austin lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael J. Strong*



Gale Austin - December 04, 2017 at 07:09 AM

LC

I worked with Mike as a reserve deputy for 8 years. He was a fine man. I enjoyed every minute i spent working with him. Rest in peace Mike. The world will be a lesser place with you gone.

Larry Creel - December 04, 2017 at 08:22 PM