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James Michael "Mike" Whisnant

Oct. 18, 1964 - April 14, 2026

With heavy hearts, we announce the passing of our beloved brother, James Michael "Mike" Whisnant, to Jesus on Tuesday, April 14, 2026.

Born in Burke County, NC on October 18, 1964, he was the son of the late James Robert Whisnant and Linda Elizabeth Lackey Whisnant.

Mike was a graduate of Freedom High School and worked in manufacturing for a number of years. He was an avid outdoorsman, enjoyed Jeep rides in the mountains, and summer beach days. He also enjoyed taking outdoor photos and woodworking. Recently, he would be found enjoying life through caring for his lawn and beloved cats, as well as spending time with Candice and his family. Mike was a loving and protective brother to his sisters, and he was generous to his neighbors.

Those left to cherish his memory include his companion, Candice Peeler; sisters, Arlene Whisnant Freeman, Darlene Whisnant Crotts (Mike), Regina Whisnant Roper (Vince), and Brenda Whisnant (Harry Poovey); and numerous nieces, nephews, and extended family.

The family will receive friends from 1 to 2 p.m., Friday, April 17, 2026 at Sossoman Funeral Home. The funeral will be held at 2 p.m. in the Colonial Chapel of the funeral home with Pastor Ryan Sebastian officiating. Burial will follow in Burke Memorial

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Sossoman Funeral Home and Crematory Center is assisting the family with the arrangements.

Tribute Wall

Deepest condolences to the entire family for your loss.

—Richard Odom



Sending my condolences to Mike's family. I was a co-worker of "Big Mike" as I always called him. Also referred to as my big brother for the year or so I knew him. He was a great guy and always a friend to me. It broke my heart to hear of his passing. Wishing peace strength to all affected

—Shane Lail

Worked with Mike at Dana corp.he always put a smile on your face.

—John Creson

—Donna Whisenant



So sorry for your loss

—Shelly Smith



To Mike, a man of undeniable fire and spark, you will be missed by all who love you and the friends that have had the opportunity to know you.

–Anna M.



Sorry for your loss

–Windy Powell

Dear Are, Dar, Brenda, Regina, and the entire Whisnant and Lackey families. I extend my deepest heartfelt sorrow for all of you during this painful time in your life. The loving memories I hold in my heart with Mike and the family are priceless. May God bless each and everyone of you with His favor, strength, grace, and mercy on the journey ahead. Don Pollard

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Rest in peace my friend, I'll always cherish our memories from high school. Gone to soon.

–susan keeling