

Hiawatha , KS



Michael Ferry-Torres, of Hiawatha, was a loving son, brother and friend to all that he met. He left this world on November 27, 2023 at the age of 58. Michael was born to Raphael and Irene (Watts) Ferry-Torres on May 13, 1965.

All who were blessed to have known Michael will agree that any of his special needs were vastly overshadowed by his truly special gifts. Michael was quick to share his inner happiness and infectious smile with both those he loved as well as a complete stranger; understanding that love begins with a smile.

Michael could deliver a firm handshake as well as an almost bone crushing hug that made everyone feel as though they were the most special person in the world to him. His constant concerns were for the activities of those around him. Any hello was quickly followed with questions about “what did you do last night, what did you do today, what are you doing tomorrow”. Michael- unique and gentle reminder that you were always in his thoughts.

Michael- love for God made him a staple at several churches throughout the community. Michael maintained cases of recordings that he collected over the years of sermons, hymns and religious services. Only on rare occasion would he be unable to record an event and he clearly made his frustration known. Perhaps it was in the Church that he cultivated his lifelong appreciation for music as he surrounded himself with keyboards, guitars and record players.

The only challenge to his appreciation of music was his love of movies. Michael- collection could rival most movie rental stores. His care for his collection was clear when he once discovered that some of his movies were getting dusty; and in his innocence concluded that a quick wash in the kitchen sink would remedy the situation.

Michael was preceded in death by his father, Raphael and niece Mindy.

Surviving family members include his mother Irene, and sisters Debbie, (Terry), and Becky (Randy).

A visitation will be held 10:00 to 11:00 am Thursday November 30th at the Chapel Oaks Funeral Home, in Hiawatha, with a memorial service to follow. A luncheon will be offered immediately following the service at 301 E. Iowa Hiawatha, Kansas.

Graveside service to be held at Rose Hill Cemetery, Robinson Kansas at a future date.

Memorials are suggested to Brown County Developmental Services and may be sent in care of the Chapel Oaks Funeral Home, 124 S. 7th St. Hiawatha, KS 66434.  
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