

Michael Ray “Mike” Loftis Obt.

b. 4 October 1951, Cookeville, Putnam Co., TN – d. 26 January 2014, Cookeville, Putnam Co., TN, md on the 18th of June 1971, Cookeville, Putnam Co., TN to **Linda Gail (Cannon) Loftis**, b. 6 October 1951, Cookeville, Putnam Co., TN, d/o Carson Cannon & Mildred Anderson. Michael Ray “Mike” Loftis, s/o **John Ray Loftis (1926-1971) & Betty Joan (Pendergrass) Loftis Dyer.**

(Source: Tennessee State Marriage record, Putnam Co., TN, pg. 118 – Michale Ray Loftis married 18 June 1971, Putnam Co., TN, age 19, b. 4 October 1951, address: Rt. 1, Baxter, TN to Linda Gail Cannon, age 19, b. 6 October 1951, address: Rt. 1, Baxter, TN. Name of parent, guardian or next of kin of female: Mr. Carson Cannon, Rt. 1, Baxter, TN)



Funeral services for Michael Ray Loftis, 62, of Cookeville will be held Wednesday, January 29, at 11 a.m. from the Double Springs Church of Christ with burial to follow at the Cookeville City Cemetery.

The family will receive friends Tuesday January 28th from 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Presley Funeral Home and Wednesday from 9 a.m. until the time of the services at the church.

Mr. Loftis died January 26, 2014, at Cookeville Regional Medical Center.

He was born Oct. 4, 1951, in Cookeville, TN., to Joan Loftis Dyer and the late Johnnie Ray Loftis.

He enjoyed spending his retirement with his entire family, especially his grandchildren, while also serving as an elder of the Double Springs Church of Christ. He previously worked as a Walmart Market Grocery Manager from 1993 until his retirement in 2010. Prior to this he and his wife were owners of Creative School Supply from 1985 to 1993. He was also a Kroger department and store manager from 1973-1978 and 1980-1990. He also owned and operated Harvest Hut, Inc. from 1978 until 1980. He had spent time volunteering with Civitan International where he was Club President from 1985-1986 and Lt. Governor from 1986-1989.

His family includes his wife, Linda Loftis of Cookeville; two sons and two daughter-in-laws, Justin and Jessica Loftis and Jonathan and Lindsey Loftis of Cookeville; four grandchildren Mason, Judah, Mallory, and Morgan Loftis; his mother and step father Paul and Joan Loftis Dyer of Baxter; father-in-law and mother-in-law Carson and Mildred Cannon of Baxter; brother and sister-in-law Steven and Patricia Loftis of Seneca, SC; sister and brother-in-law Judy and Dale Flatt of Bloomington Springs; brother and sister-in-law Mark and Tammy Loftis of Cookeville; brother and sister-in-law Alan and Angie Loftis of Cookeville; brother-in-law and sister-in-law Burley and Wilma Cannon of Cookeville; foster brother Michael Burden; step-brother and sister-in-law Bob and Martha Dyer of Cookeville; step brother and sister-in-law Russell and Janet Dyer of Cookeville; and several nieces and nephews.

Bro. Mark Loftis and Bro. Sean Flatt will officiate the services.

Honorary pall bearers will be his brothers and foster brother.

Pall bearers will the elders and deacons of the Double Springs Church of Christ.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorial donations be made to the Double Springs Church of Christ building fund, 4665 Norton Drive, Cookeville, TN 38501.

You may share your thoughts or send condolences to the family by visiting www.presleyfuneralhome.com.

Professional services provided by Presley Funeral Home in Cookeville, (931) 528-1044.

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