



## Ervin Michael "Mike" Colston

July 15, 2010

COLSTON Ervin "Mike" Colston, age 80, of Worthington, transitioned into God's loving embrace on July 15, 2010 at home. Preceded in death by mother, Florence Dyson; siblings, Charles Dyson, Esther Bowley, Warren Palmer, Sr., and William Palmer. Survived by his loving and patient wife of 59 years, Geneva, devoted daughter, Gayle Colston (Carlos) Barge; cherished grandsons, Darron LaMont Barge and Mario Miguel (Monique) Barge; brothers, James Dyson and Paul (Rohonda) Hamilton; sisters, Gertrude Sampson, Margaret Story and Dr. Rachel Parmley; cousin, Alice Richardson; host of nieces and nephews. Sisters-in-law, Virginia McCammon and Ethel Traylor; brother-in-law, V.C. Laws, Jr. Special lifelong friend, David Caldwell; numerous extended family members and friends; lovingly supported by the Scott and Caldwell families. Served in the U.S. Army; Korean War Veteran and POW; Member of St. Michael Catholic Church; Retired from Western Electric; Proudly served as an Ohio State University red coat and usher; he loved wood working and bowling. Funeral mass on Thursday, July 22, 2010 at 12 noon – St. Michael Catholic Church, 5750 N. High Street, Worthington; Visitation from 11:00 am – 12 noon, prior to the service. Monsignor John Cody, Father Stash Dailey and Father Michael Watson, Concelebrants. Interment at Walnut Grove Cemetery. Heartfelt appreciation to Dr. Terry Slayman and the surgical/medical teams that provided compassionate care over the years. In gratitude for the loving care provided, the family requests donations in lieu of flowers to Mount Carmel Hospice, 1144 Dublin Rd.,

Columbus, OH 43215. Arrangements entrusted to Rutherford-Corbin Funeral Home, 515 High Street, Worthington, OH.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Ervin Michael "Mike" Colston*

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January 28, 2023 at 10:24 AM



“ *My condolences to Mike's family. I knew Mike for many years and he will be missed. I would see him at Sequoia and at the Ohio State hockey games.*

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**Frank Kinehan** - August 15, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ *We were honored to know Mike from the time our family sat behind him at basketball games at St. John Arena and throughout the years. We looked for him at every game and was always so happy to see him. He was that sort of man, you knew when you were able to shake his hand his smile would make you happy. We will miss seeing him. God Bless you and your family - we know he will be truly missed.*

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**Kay, Libby & Jack Graf, Jr.** - July 22, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ *My deepest sympathy goes to the family and friends of Mike Colston. While I would have liked to have paid my respects and offered my sympathy in person, health issues in my family made a move back to my native Connecticut a necessity so that I will not be able to attend the services in Worthington. It was a pleasure to work with Mike at Ohio State and know that he will be sorely missed by all who knew him. John Stelma*

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**John Stelma** - July 21, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ We will always cherish the times we spent talking with Mike and learning from his life experiences. Whether it was sitting on a bench on the village green, running into him in the hardware store, at community gatherings or even just our walks in Walnut Grove Cemetery, time spent learning from Mike was time well-spent. His experiences during the Korean War and when he got home are something all who listened learned from. Our sympathies to his family and all those who will miss him.

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**John and Steffanie Haueisen** - July 21, 2010 at 12:00 AM

CM

“ Dear Gayle and Family, Your father was a man of great class, warmth and gentleness. When I saw him in the parking lot of SMS a couple of years ago, he remembered me," You're Gayle's friend, a Tortora," he said as a big, sweet smile crossed his face. Your mom was so pleased he remembered. I will visit him often in Walnut Grove where I walk my dog Chauncy. He will be in good company with my grandparents and parishioners from SMS and will probably share a joke or two. God's blessings on your family Gayle and much love...Carla and Dan Madigan

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**Carla Tortora Madigan** - July 21, 2010 at 12:00 AM

LA

“ Gentle spirit will forever keep you near, with allthe love you share. love.

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**lawrence** - July 21, 2010 at 12:00 AM

FG

“ To Geneva, Gayle and Family. We have so many wonderful memories of time spent together in New York as well as in Ohio. Mike will certainly be missed. Our hearts and prayers are with you. May God Bless you and surround you with His Love.

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**Fredie and Doris Gives** - July 21, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JG

“ Dear Geneva we are saddened by your lost, Mike was a great fellow and he will be missed by us and everyone who knew Mike. I think of all the times we had and all of the times he made me laugh. Our hearts go to you and the family, wish that we could be there however, our prayers are with you all and you remain in our hearts, may God bless and keep you. Love Joe

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**Joe Gives** - July 21, 2010 at 12:00 AM

RM

“ Revelation 2:10-Be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life. To Mother Colston, Gayle, Carlos and all of our beloved extended family: Our Lord's promises sustain us when we must go through the vallies of Life and Death. During this time of loss, we are praying you will draw strength and comfort from your faith in God, knowing that he is close by. May it help to know that we love you and extend our heartfelt understanding and sympathy. God Bless You: The McKeever Family

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**Rev. Michael I. McKeever** - July 20, 2010 at 12:00 AM

CB

“ Mike, I will miss you at the Schott. I will cherish all the wood "toys" you've made me over the years. Be at peace my friend. Cindy Brush

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**Cindy Brush** - July 20, 2010 at 12:00 AM

RR

“ *Colston family, our thoughts and prayers are with you.*

ROBERT W RAGLAND - July 20, 2010 at 12:00 AM

TS

“ *Aunt Geneva, I wish that we could be in Ohio to say goodbye to Uncle Mike, but I hope that you can feel how much we love you both, even over all these miles. Love, Tara, Micheal James, Margaret, and Micheal Lovelle*

Tara Story - July 20, 2010 at 12:00 AM

AC

“ *To the Family: My deepest sympathy in the loss of your loved one. May God sustain you during your time of bereavement. Geneva, haven't seen you in many years but know that God cares. Audrey Cobb*

Audrey Cobb - July 20, 2010 at 12:00 AM

KC

“ *My prayers and support go out to the family and friends. Mike, you were a great co-worker and friend at the Schott - even when you routinely asked me about my dating life ;)*

Kerri Colbert - July 20, 2010 at 12:00 AM

KC

“ *You were a great man, Mike. Always there for advice and humor. You will be missed*

Kerri Colbert - July 20, 2010 at 12:00 AM

OS

“ I worked a few times with Mr. Colston and was impressed with what a nice gentleman he was. While I did not know him personally I am sure he will be greatly missed by family and friends. My deepest sympathy. Owen C. Shaffer

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**Owen Shaffer** - July 20, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ Our prayers are with you. Earth has no sorrow that Heaven can not heal. We love you

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**James E. & Shakita Story** - July 20, 2010 at 12:00 AM

PP

“ Uncle Mike was an awesome person and one that will be sadly missed, my father's little brother. I will remember your smile, laughter, and words of wisdom, but most of all your words of encouragement. I remember seeing you at my graduation and ordination, your presence blessed me in more ways than I can express, thank you for loving me and being supportive, you are my unsung hero. I love you and miss you uncle Mike. Aunt Geneva, Gayle, Darron, Mario, thank you for the years of sharing this wonderful man with us. I know that your hearts are hurting right now and you will miss him over the weeks even years to come. Embrace the memories and the times that you shared, for they were many. My prayers are with you. May the peace of God surpasseth all your understanding, keep your heart and mind through Christ. Prayerfull your niece, cousin, Patrice A. Palmer

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**Patrice "Peaches" Palmer** - July 20, 2010 at 12:00 AM

PW

“ To Geneva, Gayle, and family. I send my deepest sympathy for your loss of such a wonderful man. Mike was funny and always shared a smile. My prayers are with each of you, may God bless you and carry you through with his divine peace and comfort, Peggy A. Wade and family

Peggy A. Wade - July 20, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JO

“ To great guy who always had a kind word to say weather just passing by or talking to him over a meal. He will be missed by me and serval other Red Coats. Rest in peace Mike. John Ogg

John Ogg - July 20, 2010 at 12:00 AM

TF

“ Our hearts and prayers goes out to Aunt Geneva, Gayle, Darron, and Mario for the loss of such a wonderful person "Uncle Mike". He will be sadly missed, his smiles, laughter and great sense of humor. We thank God for allowing us so many years and memories to embrace from the life of our father's little brother. We love you and will continue to pray for the family RIP Uncle Mike, RIP, The Palmer Family

The Palmer Family - July 20, 2010 at 12:00 AM

Jl

“ My heart goes out to Aunt Geneva, Gayle and the rest of the family. His sense of humor was one of a kind and he was sure to make you smile. Uncle Mike I will miss you forever and a day. I love you!!! RIP Uncle!! Your favorite niece.....or should I say one of many.

Jill - July 19, 2010 at 12:00 AM