



Michael Scott Thibeault

August 2, 1950 - January 22, 2026

On Thursday, January 22, 2026, Michael "Mike" Scott Thibeault, loving husband and son-in-law went home to be with our Lord and Savior at the age of 75.

Michael will be cherished and remembered by his loving wife of 46 years, Twila Thibeault, his mother-in-law, Marcketa "Mickey" Godbehere and his godson/nephew, Kevin Allison II.

Michael was born in Cohoes, NY on August 2, 1950 to Charles and Flora Thibeault. He is preceded in death by both parents and survived by his wife, Twila Thibeault, his 7 brothers and sisters, John, Charles, Terry, Sandy, Cindy, Patty & Paul. His Godson/nephew, Kevin Allison II, and nephews & nieces, Tonya, Mandy, Michelle, Christy, Amy, Thomas, Randy, Reece, Tanner, Shane and many great nephews and nieces.

After High School, Michael enlisted in the United States Air Force in Albany, NY. After boot camp he served at Lackland AFB, Mather AFB and during the Vietnam War, served out of Zaragoza AB, Spain. Upon his return to Mather AFB in 1976 he resigned from the military. He was very proud of his military service which probably led to his love of flags, eagles and this country.

In 1976, he went to work for Pacific Telephone and Telegraph where he was part of a 2 year project traveling around California converting offices from manual EDP machines to computers. After that project he worked in the Santa Rosa, CA office where he met the love of his life, Twila. Mike and Twila were married on November 18, 1979 in Santa Rosa. Mike left the phone company

for a job with Alcal Roofing in Santa Rosa working as a tile roofer. In 1980 Mike and Twila moved to Concord when he was promoted to Tile Superintendent. Mike attended night school during this time in electronics, which led to his job with The Cash Register Company in Oakland, where he worked for 10 years. In 1982, Mike and Twila moved to Oakley, CA where they purchased their first home and would live there for 22 years. Mike eventually went to work for Better Office Systems/IKON/RICOH, servicing business machines and computers for the next 11 years and retired in December 2015. Mike and Twila were truly best friends and partners. Mike's love and laughter filled every corner of their home and his calm presence made even the hardest days easier. While in Oakley, Mike loved to fish in the Delta where they enjoyed many years of boating. Mike and Twila also did craft shows during these years, making jewelry, and southwest themed items that were popular in those years.

He loved the Lord and our church family. He was saved in 1981 when they attended Martinez Missionary Baptist Church where Bro. Larry Crouch was pastor. Bro. Larry gave Twila's dad, Dr. J.W. Godbehere the honor of baptizing Mike at the Martinez church. When Mike and Twila moved to Oakley, they joined Bethel Missionary Baptist Church. In 2004, Mike & Twila moved to Exeter, Ca and joined First Landmark Missionary Baptist Church in Visalia where he served as part of the Security Team. He loved greeting the members every service and gave out the best hugs. While he took the role seriously, he enjoyed every minute of it.

Mike had a passion for feeding people. He loved his outdoor kitchen where he smoked ribs, pulled pork and chicken, BBQ sauce and the best potatoes. After retiring, the plan was to do a lot of golfing with Twila and resume building his model train display, but he became obsessed with woodworking and spent most of his time in his wood shop/man cave while Twila crafted. Twila's parents moved in with them in 2016. Mike called them "mom and dad" because he truly considered them his "bonus parents". After "dad" passed, Mickey became their "third musketeer" because they did everything together,

including a 7500 cross country road trip in 2023 where he drove every mile-
he loved to drive.

While he will be greatly missed, Mike's love and never-ending sense of humor
will stay with us forever.

Michael was interred at Bakersfield National Cemetery in Arvin, CA on
1/29/2026.

Celebration services will be held on February 21, 2026, 11am at First
Landmark Missionary Baptist Church, 631 N Chinowth St, Visalia, CA 93291,
followed by lunch in the fellowship hall.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations to Chapel Builders 8839 N.
Cedar #55, Fresno, CA 93720.

Services have been entrusted to Salser & Dillard Funeral Chapel. Memorial
Tributes and condolences may be offered by logging onto www.salseranddillard.com.

Previous Events

Celebration Service

FEB 21. 11:00 AM (PT)

First Landmark Missionary Baptist Church
631 N Chinowth St
Visalia, CA 93291

Tribute Wall

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“ Twila, keeping you, your mom, and all of your extended family/friends in prayers of peace, comfort, and loving memories as you celebrate Mike today. Vicki Wood (cousin/Ellis family).

Vicki Wood - February 21 at 01:34 PM

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“ Twila, I am so sorry for the loss of Mike. He always held a very special place in my heart. The first time I came out and visited with my brother Robert and Bev. He gave me the biggest hug and made me feel so welcome at that church and he was always teasing me and making me laugh. I cherish the cutting board and the cheese tray that he made for me in his woodworking shop. It sits on a special place in my dining room, where I see it every day and pass by it all the time and always think of him. I know you know he's in heaven with our heavenly father and one day, we will all see him again. May God give you peace and guide you in the days to come. I am so sorry I can't be there for the memorial the celebration of his life at the church, but you know that I live so far away, but you all will be in my thoughts and you're always in my prayers. God bless you and Mickey and hope to see you in the near future again.

Ruth Steimel - February 06 at 09:38 PM

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Twila Thibeault - February 06 at 07:53 PM