



## Michael "Tex" Watson

December 28, 1941 - August 23, 2025

Michael "Tex" Watson, age 83, of Jackson, Missouri, was born on December 28, 1941, in Denton, Texas. He passed away and stepped into glory on Saturday, August 23, 2025, at 10:47 a.m., surrounded by his loving family and friends.

Mike was the beloved husband of Dolores Welch Watson and a devoted father, grandfather, and great-grandfather whose life was marked by love, energy, and adventure.

He is survived by his wife, Dolores, and his two sons: Heath Watson (Kimberly) of Saint Louis, Missouri, and Jason Watson (Meg) of Jackson, Missouri.

Heath and Kimberly blessed Mike with four grandchildren, Jacob, Joshua, Abigail, and Caleb, and one great-granddaughter, Willow. Jason and Meg blessed him with three grandchildren, Ainsley, Colton, and Cooper.

Mike was preceded in death by his father and mother, Bill and Frances Watson, and his sister, Sherry Watson Collins.

Beyond his family, Mike lived life to the fullest. He was passionate about fitness and could often be found working out or running. He loved the open

road on his Harley and carried a lifelong enjoyment of team roping, which reflected both his adventurous spirit and his love of the cowboy way of life.

Mike will be remembered for his strength, vitality, and the way he poured himself into both his family and the things he loved. His legacy lives on in the family he cherished and the countless lives and friendships he touched along the way.

He finished his race in faith and is now at rest with the Lord.

A celebration of life will be held at First Baptist Church, 212 S High Street, Jackson, Missouri 63755, on Saturday, September 13, beginning at 1:00 p.m. Friends and family are invited to gather in remembrance.

Ford & Sons Mt. Auburn Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Online condolences may be made at [www.fordandsonsfuneralhome.com](http://www.fordandsonsfuneralhome.com).

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

SEP **13.** 1:00 PM (CT)

First Baptist Church of Jackson  
212 S. High St.  
Jackson, MO 63755

# Tribute Wall

RM

“ I worked with Mike for 10 years. It was a very rewarding experience for me. I always admired his calm demeanor in the face of stress and adversity.  
*Richard Muhlsteff*

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**Richard Muhlsteff** - September 09, 2025 at 05:26 PM

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“ Richard Muhlsteff purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Michael "Tex" Watson.



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**Richard Muhlsteff** - September 09, 2025 at 05:17 PM

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“ Richard Muhlsteff planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Michael "Tex" Watson.

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**Richard Muhlsteff** - September 09, 2025 at 05:17 PM

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“ My condolences to Delores, Heath, Jason, and the rest of the Watson family. Not only a great person, but a God fearing Christian man. May comfort come to your entire family in this time of sorrow.

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**Rusty & Kristy Morton** - September 06, 2025 at 06:10 PM

DK

“ I love Mike and Deloris so much! He was the best guy ever!!! We loved riding our Harley's together and especially loved his Popeye!!!! I will never forget this lovely man!!!



Dana King - September 06, 2025 at 03:37 PM

TF

“ The joyce family purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Michael "Tex" Watson.



The joyce family - August 31, 2025 at 04:33 PM

VF

“ This is our loss but heavens gain. Mike was a dedicated Christian witness. I will certainly miss him. Our thoughts and prayers are with Delores and the boys and family.

Vella Friedman - August 30, 2025 at 04:29 PM

DH

“ When the Lord said "saddle up" and Mike obeyed. It is a honor to call him "Friend" and "Brother in Christ". Our love to Dolores ad sons. Betty & Don Hensley

Don Hensley - August 27, 2025 at 05:36 PM