



## Michael Lee Roy Deas

July 13, 1959 - November 20, 2024

It is with deep sadness that we announce the passing of our beloved father and husband, Mike Deas, who left us on November 20th, 2024, at the age of 65. Mike was born on July 13, 1959, in Yreka, California. He was a beacon of kindness, generosity, and unwavering support to all who knew him.

A loving father, husband, and friend, Mike had a remarkable ability to make everyone feel seen, heard, and valued. He freely offered encouragement and love, helping others chase their dreams with an open heart and a gentle spirit. He spent his youth in Yreka, California, where his love for the great outdoors developed through local hunting and fishing. In 1972, his family moved to Eugene, Oregon, where he graduated from Sheldon High School in 1978. During his twenties, he worked for Coca-Cola while studying martial arts in his spare time. He had a passion for Taekwondo and Aikido. In 1995, he and his family moved back to California from Oregon so his children could enjoy the same outdoor activities he treasured during his upbringing. His love for the outdoors was passed down to his daughter and son.

Mike worked at the Siskiyou Juvenile Hall from 2000 to 2010. During his time there, he made a significant impact on many individuals, and his legacy will continue to live on in the hearts of those he helped and inspired. Mike dedicated himself wholeheartedly to everything he did.

In 1987, Mike and his wife began a business now called Hancy Creations, Inc., based on his father-in-law's invention. This business grew and has become well-known to quilters and crafters worldwide. Mike's practical

approach to problem-solving was essential to its success. He was a steadfast rock that many people relied on throughout his life. His unwavering support, love, and guidance extended beyond the confines of his household. He always made time to care for, listen to, and help his relatives through life's challenges.

Mike is survived by his father, Lee Roy Deas; his loving wife of 37 years, Marilyn Deas; and their two children, Jamie Hayden and Raymond Deas, along with their spouses, Vose Hayden and Sofia (Fernandez) Deas; and four grandchildren, Kimber, Kassidy, Marshal, and Saoirse. He is remembered by his siblings Gerald Deas, Laurel Albright, and Kathy On and his many nieces and nephews. His legacy of selflessness and devotion will continue to resonate through the generations he leaves behind.

A celebration of life will be held at Hawkinsville Hall on December 14, beginning at 1 p.m., where we will remember him and honor his profound impact on our lives. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations to a cause very near and dear to Mike's heart-dogs and veterans. This link below will take you there. May Mike's soul rest in peace, knowing he leaves behind a world forever changed by his kindness and love.

Please use this link if you would like to contribute <https://secure.qgiv.com/for/inmemoryofmikedeas>

# Tribute Wall



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**Girdner Funeral Chapel** - April 27 at 03:34 PM

SB

“ I AM ONE OF THE MANY KIDS HE HAS MADE AN IMPRESSION/IMPACT ON. HE WAS ALWAYS LIGHT AND CHEERY AURA ABOUT HIM SMILING ALMOST ALL THE TIME. I REMEMBER WHEN WE WERE DONE WITH OUR SHOWERS WE WOULD HAVE TO CALL OUT TO STAFF AND SAY "IM DONE" " MR DEAS IM DONE." HE WOULD TELL US "YOU'RE NOT DUMB. . . ". WITH A BIG GRIN ON HIS FACE LIKE IT WAS THE BEST JOKE EVER! I WILL ALWAYS REMEMBER THAT SMILE I HAD JUST SEEN HIM AT THE CASINO REAL RECENT HE REMEMBERED MYSELF AND ANOTHER "JUVENILE" STILL HAD SAME BRIGHT EYED SMILE I HAPPENED TO SEE HIS PICTURE IN OBITS MY HEART GOES OUT TO HIS FAMILY AND FRIENDS TRULY A GREAT MAN I THINK THAT ITS WHEN HE SMILES YOU CAN SEE THE PURENESS IN HIS HEART.  
THANK YOU MR.DEAS SINCERELY,. SCHULDZIE BAILEY

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**SCHULDZIE BAILEY** - December 25, 2024 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ I remember working with Mike at CBYCC...he was an amazing trainer and great person. You could tell he actually cared for the kids who came through the system. He took time with each one to get to know them.

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**Jesse McHargue** - December 13, 2024 at 12:00 AM

KK

“ Mike... Such a wonderful person, a friend to all. Kindness, compassion, honest are only a few words to describe the man. We met as neighbors and became friends, we will miss our monthly conversations . A great friend we will miss dearly. Kerry & Kathy

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**Kathy & Kerry** - December 12, 2024 at 12:00 AM

RC

“ Dear Marilyn and Family,  
My heart goes out to you in your loss.  
Worked many years with Mike, Juvenile corrections.  
He was great partner/friend. Always knew he had my back!!  
"Thankful" to of had him in my life.  
R.C.

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**Roberta Coughlan** - December 11, 2024 at 12:00 AM

DK

“ Good man and good friend. Out of all the people we meet in life a few may become acquaintances or friends but good friends are rare. I enjoyed the time we spent talking and flying/wrecking RC planes and drones. Here's to you my brother from another mother! You will be missed!

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**David Koontz** - December 07, 2024 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ So very sorry for your loss.

June Cook - December 07, 2024 at 12:00 AM

RA

“ Great friend and neighbor, your stories and insight will be greatly missed....

Randy - December 06, 2024 at 12:00 AM

RB

“ Mike was a great guy! So kind and nice and all of our vendors loved him....as did we. He will be missed by all! God Speed.

Rusty Barn - December 05, 2024 at 12:00 AM

SW

“ Laurel, I am so very sorry for the loss of your brother. Prayers and much love to you and your family. From, Sandi (Hogan) Wood

Sandi Wood - December 05, 2024 at 12:00 AM

LA

“ Thank You,

Laurel Albright - December 05, 2024 at 12:00 AM

KW

“ Heaven has found it's Finest Greeter 🙏 Your friendship made the last two years of my life a ride (better-than the bestest Tesla) filled with so much admiration, human kindness, adventure and never a day or moment to take for granted, and of course "always letting out a smile so they never know" what kindness just hit them 😊 -  
Godspeed brother

Kelly Walterscheid - December 05, 2024 at 12:00 AM

AD

“ *We are deeply sorry for your loss ~ Girdner Funeral Chapel*

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**A Memorial Tree was planted for Michael Lee Roy Deas** - December 04, 2024 at 12:00 AM

LA

“ *So many memories, blessed to have you as my brother*



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**Laurel Albright** - December 04, 2024 at 12:00 AM

DL

“ *We are so sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. He will be missed by all.*

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**Donna Lohman** - December 04, 2024 at 12:00 AM