



John Raymond Mitchell

March 19, 1959 - May 27, 2008

John Raymond Mitchell, 49, went to be with his Lord and Savior on Monday, May 19th in Huntsville, Texas. A native of Thomasville, North Carolina, John was born March 19, 1959 to Ramona Boaz Mitchell and the late Joe F. Mitchell. John was married to Michele Allbritton Mitchell of Huntsville on June 26, 1993, who survives him, and they were blessed with two children, Kacie Leigh, 13, and Joseph Cole, 10. John is also survived by his mother of Thomasville, a sister, Martha and husband Bill Adams of Burlington, North Carolina, and a brother Paul Rush Mitchell and wife Vicki of Denton, North Carolina, as well as four nephews and a niece. John earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Furniture Engineering from North Carolina State University in 1982. He worked for many years as a sales representative for Davis Furniture of High Point, North Carolina, and met Michele through his business dealings while she was employed at the Federal Courthouse in Houston. John had an outstanding career in the National Guard beginning in 1985. Upon moving to the District of Columbia area, he served for a number of years with the Maryland Guard, and ultimately finished his career with the National Guard of Texas, where he was promoted to Lieutenant Colonel, his father's rank, on May 17, 2008. Colonel Mitchell was an artilleryman, and his greatest accomplishment in the Guard was his deployment to Kosovo in 2005-2006 where he served as a member of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization peacekeeping force. He earned high accolades from the International Command for his efforts in promoting harmony among the officers and

soldiers from the various European countries in furtherance of the NATO mission of peace for that war-torn region. John was a member of Second Baptist Church, Huntsville, and previously First Baptist Church, Thomasville. He held the honor of being an Eagle Scout, was an avid outdoorsman, athlete, and was outstanding in a number of sports at Thomasville High School. He served as an assistant coach on numerous children's athletic teams. He was a loving father and devoted husband who loved his family very much. Honorary pallbearers are Paul Mitchell, Steve Baker, Syd Mitchell, Greg DeBay, Steve Allbritton, Luke Allbritton, Wil Mitchell, Joe Mitchell, John B. Mitchell, Danny Allbritton and Raleigh Adams. Services will be held Tuesday May 27, 2008 at 11 AM Sam Houston Funeral Home in Huntsville, Texas. Interment will follow at Mayes Addition of Oakwood Cemetery. The family will receive friends Monday evening from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. at the funeral home. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Second Baptist Church, 2517 Sam Houston Avenue, Huntsville, Texas 77340 or to a charity of your choice. Those wishing to leave memorial condolences for the family can do so at www.shmfh.com.

Tribute Wall



“ *John Raymond Mitchell*

November 15, 2022 at 08:33 PM



“ *I was deeply sadden to hear of the untimely passing of your loved one John. I served with Captain Michell as a member of the Maryland Army National Guard. John served as my Battery Commander while I was the Battery First Sergeant of Battery A 2nd 110th Field Artillery. I can tell you John, as a Battery Commander, focused on his mission and the good of his unit but truely cared for his the soldiers very deeply. He and I would often talk about battery issues but all of our chats would eventually end up with his concerns about soldiers welware.*

John and I participated together in several Army Ten Mile run in Washington DC. in the early 90's. I truely enjoyed those times we spend together pushing and encouraging each other along to the finish. I still display a photo of Captain Mitchell and I finishing one of those racing hanging in my office at the Battery Armory.

I know John truely adored his bride Michele and his two babies Kacie and Joe. I only wish that I were a little closer to help the family through this extremely difficult time. My heart and prayers go out to John's family and his many friends.

Be strong and continue to love each other. Your strength and love will see you over these most trying and difficult times.

*William (Bill) Rosier
Battery A, 2nd 110th FA
First Sergeant/Friend*

William Rosier - July 26, 2008 at 10:31 PM

1H

“ I am sorry for your loss. LTC Mitchell and I served together in Kosovo. My thoughts and prayers are with you in this difficult time.

1LT Melissa Hingstrum - June 28, 2008 at 03:42 PM

JC

“ Michelle,

I just wanted to tell you how sorry I was to hear about John. Though I did not get to know him well, I enjoyed the time I spent with him while he was a member of the Lions Club. As you know, this last Monday was Memorial Day and I had volunteered to put out and pick up the American flags around the downtown area. While doing so, I had John on my mind much of the time as he and I really had fun doing that project together. He had great stories to share with me about his military experiences. One day while at a Lions Club meeting, he and I struck up a conversation about your son's name and my surname. The Cole family has ties to the Carolinas as well. It's funny what commonalities we all share with each other.

You and your children are in my prayers. I know you really have a great family and that they will help you through this tough time; however, if there is anything my family or I can do for you, please do not hesitate to let us know.

God Bless You,

John Cole

John Cole - May 28, 2008 at 05:52 PM

CO

“ Michele, Kacie, and Cole, May our Lord Jesus Christ comfort you and bring healing to you as you endure these difficult times. We love you and are praying for you.

Calvin Ortiz - May 27, 2008 at 09:51 PM

KO

“ Michelle and family, please accept my deepest sympathy on the loss of your loved one, John. You will be remembered in my prayers.

Ken Oradiegwu - May 27, 2008 at 11:34 AM

DC

“ Michele, Kaci and Cole: Our hearts hurt so much for you in this incredibly difficult time. You are in our prayers constantly. Know that our Father will provide the strength you need to endure. God Bless You. Phil 4:13

David and Kim Chapa - May 27, 2008 at 09:34 AM

EZ

“ Michelle, Kacie, & Cole,
I pray that the Lord Jesus will give you comfort and strength during this sad time in the loss of your husband and father. This is a favorite scripture of mine: "The eternal God is your refuge, and underneath are the everlasting arms." Deuteronomy 33:27
Evelina Zolman & family

Evelina Zolman - May 26, 2008 at 10:54 PM

PT

“Michelle, Casie and Cole,
Our thoughts and prayers are with you each and every day. The Lord will be watching over each of you to help you through.

GOD BLESS YOU ALL

Pat and Danielle Thompson - May 26, 2008 at 07:38 PM

MM

“Michelle, You are in my prayers, Deployed with John to Kosovo, we became best friends, we still are.

MAJ Brian Michel - May 26, 2008 at 05:22 PM

CW

“WHILE THIS IS A TRAGIC LOSS TO YOUR FAMILY, OURS PRAYERS ARE WITH YOU AND KACI AND COLE THAT OUR GOD IN HEAVEN GIVE YOU PEACE AND STRENGTH DURING THIS TIME. WE WILL HAVE YOU GUYS IN OUR PRAYERS AND CONTINUE TO ASK GOD TO KEEP YOU LIFTED UP. YOU ARE MIGHTY IN GODS EYES AND HE WILL KEEP YOU SURROUNDED WITH PEOPLE TO LOVE AND COMFORT YOU AND YOUR FAMILY. YOU CALL ON US IF WE CAN BE OF ANY HELP WITH ANYTHING. WE LOVE YOU GUYS.

CARY, REGINA, AND ALEC WILLIAMS - May 26, 2008 at 03:31 PM

MS

“Sweet friends, we are so sorry for your loss. We hope it brings you comfort to know how many people love and care for you. May God enfold you in His loving arms and give you peace.

Montie and Dan Shelton - May 25, 2008 at 06:52 PM

SK

“ Michelle, Kaci, and Cole my heart goes out to all of you. I wish there was something I could do or say to take your pain away. I just wanted you all to know that you are in my thoughts and prayers.

Susan Kilcrease - May 24, 2008 at 06:19 PM

LJ

“ To the Mitchell Family: We extend our heartfelt sympathy to you during this time of sadness. May God hold you in his everlasting arms of grace, peace, and mercy as you grieve and celebrate John's life. All of you will be in our thoughts and prayers.

Lee Jessup - May 24, 2008 at 05:43 PM

MH

“ My thoughts and prayers are with you all. I had the privilage of knowing John with the Lions Club and working on our projects. Those were good times when we spoke of many things and about family. His love for family showed. It is hard to put all this in words. Just look to God for the support that only God can provide though His love for you all.

Marvin Hyvl - May 24, 2008 at 12:03 PM

PK

“ Michelle, Kaci, Cole, LaNell and Pete. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all today. I know the Lord will guide you in the right direction to lead you through this trying time.
Love, Peggy and Milton Kroesche

Peggy Kroesche - May 24, 2008 at 11:32 AM

BN

“ *Michelle and family, LaNell, Pete, Steve and families.*

*So sorry to read of Mr. Mitchell. My sympathy is extended to you all.
May God be with you in your time of loss.*

HE is our strength!

Beverly Conner Niederhofer - May 24, 2008 at 11:06 AM

TF

“ *We are so sorry for your loss. Y'all are in our thoughts and prayers.
God bless all of you.*

The Gautreaux Family - May 23, 2008 at 09:12 PM

BW

“ *Michelle, Kacie, and Cole...We were saddened to hear of your loss.
Our thoughts and prayers are with you.*

Bill & Charlotte Wood - May 23, 2008 at 08:53 PM

MG

“ *Michelle,
You are in our thoughts and prayers, along with John's family.*

Trust in God.

Mike ,Tad,Amy, Kelly and Rachel Gregory

Mike and Lori (Tad) Gregory - May 23, 2008 at 07:53 PM

RJ

“ We would like to extend our deepest sympathy to the entire Mitchell Family during your difficult time. You are all in our thoughts and prayers. I met John through Paul on a Civil War Roundtable trip in the Virginia/Washington Area. R. Lee Crook, Jr & Family, Lexington, NC

R. Lee Crook, Jr. - May 23, 2008 at 06:43 PM

SH

“ Michelle,
Our hearts sank when we learned of your loss. Remember that you are not alone...God will never leave your side...He will carry you through this difficult time. Lean on your friends and don't be afraid to ask. We are here for you and the kids. We love you and are praying for you. God bless you! Steve, Lorna, Ashley & Danny Horstman

Steve & Lorna Horstman - May 23, 2008 at 05:59 PM

GC

“ To the entire Mitchell Family:

Please accept my deepest sympathy and know that you are all in my thoughts and prayers during this time of sorrow. I met John on one of our Civil War Roundtable forays to Richmond Virginia when he joined us one weekend. Paul Rush was very proud to introduce him to all of us.

*Sincerely,
Guy Cornman
Lexington, NC*

Guy Cornman - May 23, 2008 at 03:46 PM

PS

“Michelle, Kacie, and Cole...Please know you are in our thoughts and prayers. I know this is a very difficult time for your family. God knows our hurts and deepest feelings and He is our comforter in our saddest and loneliest times. He will see you through each and every step of the way. He said for us to cast our cares upon Him for He careth for us.

Sandra Conaway and Melissa Dameron

Paul Mitchell's Office Staff - May 23, 2008 at 03:27 PM

TM

“Michelle, Kacie, and Cole..Our deepest Sympathy goes out to you and your family. May God hold each one of you during this difficult time in your lives. Each one of you are in our thoughts and prayers. We love you and if you need anything please let us know.

Tater, Angie,Courtney, and Dawson Park and Ann Markham - May 23, 2008 at 02:50 PM

BS

“Mrs. Mitchell - We are so sorry for your loss. You made such an impact on Dylan in school that he was deeply touched and concerned for you and your family. You and your family are in our thoughts and prayers. God Bless!

Barry, Wendy and Dylan Stubbs

Barry, Wendy and Dylan Stubbs - May 23, 2008 at 02:38 PM

HA

“ Michele, Kaci & Cole,
My prayers for you are that during this difficult time you feel God's presence and literally feel his arms around you. Allow him to comfort you the way we cannot. Please lean on friends and family for help. We love you and will be constantly be thinking of you and praying for you.

Hartleys - May 23, 2008 at 12:39 PM

CG

“ Michelle and family we are so sorry for your loss. You and your family will be in our prayers and thoughts. May God bless you. Joe, Charissa, Tyler and Kailee Gibson

Charissa Gibson - May 23, 2008 at 11:37 AM

KG

“ We are so sorry to hear of your loss. Please know that your family is in our thoughts and prayers.

Karin and Robert Williams and girls - May 22, 2008 at 10:16 PM

MW

“ Michelle - Just wanted to let you know that you and the kids have been on our minds and in our prayers. We pray that you'll find peace and comfort during this difficult time. Please let us know if you need anything at all. We love you.

Moose, Sara, and Carter Williams - May 22, 2008 at 09:31 PM

KH

“ We are so sorry to hear of your loss. We will be praying for you all. Please call us if you need anything.

Keith and Annamaria Hager - May 22, 2008 at 08:43 PM

BD

“ Michelle:
Our deepest sympathy goes out to you, Kaci, Cole and your entire family at this time of sorrow. May God bless and comfort you.

Becky & Randy Dunlap - May 22, 2008 at 06:49 PM

CM

“ Michelle and children, These next few days are going to be difficult. These next few weeks are going to be hard, but please never forget that God is there for you as well as your church family. You are loved by so many. Our prayers will be with you and your family.

Chris and Monica McCarty - May 22, 2008 at 06:36 PM

LR

“ Michelle, Kids and the Allbritton family, I am speechless and I know what a terrible shock this is for you all. I am praying for you--that God will give you strength and peace. I have to take Charlie to the heart doctor so will not be able to come to the funeral but my thoughts and prayers will be with you. God bless and comfort you.

Lynne Reynolds - May 22, 2008 at 05:25 PM

LB

“ Michelle, Kaci, and Cole...May God hold each one of you close during this difficult time in your lives. You are in our thoughts and prayers. Remember God loves you and will comfort you.
Love, Lee, Shelly and Shelby Beard

Lee, Shelly, and Shelby Beard - May 22, 2008 at 03:24 PM

KA

“Michelle, Kaci, Cole our thoughts and prayers are with you. If we can help in any way please let us know. We will keep all of you in thoughts and prayers. Love, Joey, Kara, Jody, Kali Pavelock

KARAPAVELOCK - May 22, 2008 at 01:24 PM

LF

“Michelle: I am so sorry to hear about John. Brian and I will be there on Tuesday...please let me know if there is anything that we can do to help. Your family is in our prayers. David and Betsy Farr

LTC David Farr - May 22, 2008 at 01:03 PM

DS

“Michelle,
Words... There are no words that can explain why your journey in life has so abruptly changed. Know that God will hold you, Kaci and Cole gently in his hands. Elmer and I pray that God gives you and the entire family the strength to endure what is ahead.

Dee Ann and Elmer Schneider - May 22, 2008 at 12:24 PM

LB

“Michele, My deepest condolences for your loss. I will keep you and your children in my thoughts and prayers. May God give you the strength that you need daily.

Lisa Bdewi - May 22, 2008 at 10:29 AM

SW

“Michelle, Please know that you and the kids are in our thoughts and prayers. If there is anything you need we are a phone call away. May God bless you and yours.

Susan & Buddy Warren - May 22, 2008 at 09:06 AM

BF

“ So sorry to hear for your loss, our thoughts and prayers are with you, Kaci and Cole. Your family will be in our prayers and thoughts in every way possible. We love you and if you need anything let us know.

Blaine, Sherry, Breanna, Brian and Garrett Fabre - May 21, 2008 at 07:05 PM

SN

“ Michelle,

My heart goes out to you and your family. Please know that I am thinking of you, I am here if I can do anything at all to help you. You will constantly be in my thoughts and prayers.

Sandy Newman - May 21, 2008 at 06:29 PM

GA

“ Michelle, you and your family are in our prayers and thoughts.

Guy and Charlotte Anderson - May 21, 2008 at 05:25 PM