



Michael Bailey Bain

August 20, 1961 - September 5, 2023

Michael (Mike) Bailey Bain went to be with our Lord and Savior on September 5, 2023. He was born August 20, 1961 in Tyler, Texas to parents William “Bill” and Jo Ann Bain. He was raised in Alief, TX and was a pole-vaulter and football player for Alief-Elsik High School. He attended Tyler Junior College where he earned an associates degree in Petroleum Technology with honors. He then married and had two children with his first wife Ginny Sherbit. He worked in the oilfield on offshore oil rigs and then began working in the pest control industry. On March 12th, 1995 he married Wendy Tankersley and they spent 27 years together raising five children and 13 grandchildren. He was a business partner and then owner of Morris Pest Control and served the community for 20 years.

Mike most enjoyed spending time with his family and friends. He was surrounded by love throughout his life with numerous relatives, business partnerships, long-time customers he considered family, and the numerous friendships he made and maintained along the way. When his kids were younger, he and Wendy loaded them up in a van and took them to spend the weekends on the lake, tubing and skiing all weekend long. After the children grew up, he and Wendy spent weekends on the golf course in their community-April Sound and developed a large, tight-knit group of friends. Mike loved to be outside and never met a stranger. He greeted everyone with a smile, firm handshake, and very often, a joke. He loved to make people

laugh and never wanted life to be taken too seriously. He did not sweat the small stuff. Mike was a hard-working, independent, responsible, go-getter and never missed a day of work.

Mike was a Christian and often took his children to church when they were growing up at Spring Baptist Church and then The Woodlands Church. A few weeks before passing, Mike assured one of his daughters that he did not fear death. He calmly and confidently stated that he had such an incredibly blessed life that was so full. He also knew that he had very special people that would greet him the moment he took his first breath in heaven.

Preceded in heaven by his wife Wendy Bain, daughter Margaret (“Maggie”) Bain, son-in-law Shawn Wood, father-in-law John Jacobs, grandparents Zell Beaird, and Arthur and Bea Beaird, grandparents Amos Hopkins Bain and Mary “Lula” Elizabeth Wallace Bain, and granddaughter Paisley Tankersley.

Survived and loved by his daughter Natalie Blakely (Christopher), daughter Erica Fosdick (Trey), daughter Heather Holmes (Greg), son Mathew Tankersley (Lacey), and son-in-law Mike Robinson. Parents William “Bill” and Jo Ann Bain. Sister Cathy Bain. Mother in-law Anita Jacobs. Grandchildren: Stephen Thurmon, Phoenix Holmes, Kailynn Fosdick, Xandra Holmes, Keagan Fosdick, Austin Wood, Trenton Bartosh, Kendyl Vega, Gianni Holmes, Kaige Fosdick, Carter Robinson, Raven Robinson, Ryan Tankersley, and Madison Blakely. Followed by many aunts, uncles, cousins, extended family, and loyal friends.

A Celebration of Life will take place in honor of Mike on September 9, 2023 from 2:00pm-5:00pm at the April Sound Country Club Lakeside Ballroom. 1000 April Sound Blvd. Montgomery, TX 77356.

Previous Events

Celebration Of Life

SEP 9. 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM (CT)

April Sound Country Club, Lakeside Ballroom
1000 April Sound Blvd.
Montgomery, TX 77356

Tribute Wall

SO

“ I only learned Mike passed today. Not surprised but still emotionally overwhelmed; you are never ready for loss. People come into your life for a time; his will always be remembered with kindness and gratitude that I had the privilege of knowing him. Good people need to be recognized.

I got to know Mike pretty well over the 15 years that he came to my home every quarter to do pest control. We spent too much time probably in conversations about the world, the community, and family. He was a generous man with his time, and I always look forward to our visits.

We would always laugh cordially when we caught each other out-and-about in the community and ask about each other's family. Sometimes just a friendly wave of recognition.

He clearly loved Wendy and his family. He was deeply grieved by Wendy's death... but shared moving stories of his beloved golfing community stepping up to assist him...and Wendy when she was alive.

We shared a few difficult times over the years, both sharing concerns with each other over the health of our grandchildren... and agreeing to pray for their health. And cancer did not win.

Today, when I think of him... he's smiling. So grateful to get to know him and his family... if only through him. Good man. Nothing better can be said of any of us. Rest in peace my friend. Sande

Sande Olson - October 09, 2023 at 02:42 PM

SC

“ I sent Mike a message earlier today and he didn't follow up with me as he usually did. I looked online and read that Mike had passed away earlier this month. I had seen Mike this summer when I was at April Sound and I was Thankful that I was able to talk with him and tell him what a good friend he was . I wasn't aware of his health problems until I saw him that day. I met Mike and Wendy about 25 years ago on the April Sound Golf Course. They welcomed me to join them to play golf with them that day. We quickly became friends and have been ever since. He would call me Opie because of my reddish hair color and I would call him Otis because of the hat he was wearing that day. I live in the DFW area and I would go to April Sound one or two times a year. I could usually find Mike and Wendy on the golf course in the Bain Game or the golf scramble. They'd often invite me to have dinner and drinks at the Bain house which typically consisted of chicken wings, pizza, and Miller Light Beer with them and other friends. They would place others first and were caring and generous people. I consider Mike to be one of my better friends as I could usually count on him. My wife and I prayed for Mike for healing and his recovery after we saw him this summer. I believe Mike is in heaven and that God has welcomed him with open arms. Mike and Wendy will be thoroughly missed and not forgotten as they made the world a better place. When I'm at April Sound next time I'll certainly think of Mike and Wendy and find others at the golf club to toast our friendship. My wife and I send our thoughts and prayers to Mike and Wendy's family and people who loved them. Scott Chaikin

Scott Chaikin - September 27, 2023 at 06:28 PM

TR

“ We offer our deepest condolences in the loss of Mike. Our thoughts and prayers are with his family during these times.

The Robinsons - September 08, 2023 at 10:00 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Michael Bailey Bain.*



September 08, 2023 at 01:36 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Michael Bailey Bain.*



September 07, 2023 at 03:38 PM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Michael Bailey Bain.*

September 07, 2023 at 03:38 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Michael Bailey Bain.*



September 07, 2023 at 01:34 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Michael Bailey Bain.*



September 06, 2023 at 08:28 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Michael Bailey Bain.

September 06, 2023 at 08:28 PM



“ *What a true man is meant to be. We can only strive to be as great a human as Mike.*

Jerry Mullen - September 06, 2023 at 12:02 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Michael Bailey Bain.*



September 06, 2023 at 09:33 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Michael Bailey Bain.

September 06, 2023 at 09:33 AM

NB

“ 1 file added to the album Order of Events



Natalie Blakely - September 05, 2023 at 07:49 PM

JP

*April Sound community and Golf will no longer be the same.
Two icons have gone to play on the heavenly greens.
Wendy was waiting for Mike to play couples golf in heaven and start
the "Bain"
Golf game where any aspiring golfer regardless of color or creed or
handicap could play.
In April Sound Country club if you did not play the Bain game you did
not play golf every aspiring golfer wanted to be part of it.
They knew how to run the game and never turned anybody away..
Rest in peace dear Mike and thanks for the encouragement and
friendship that you offered me in and out of April Sound.
You are a true Gentleman and we shall see you
In the heavenly greens.
AMEN.
My deepest sympathy to all the Bain family
From the bottom of my heart.
Let's get a hole in one for Mike
Ole.*

Julio Pearson - September 09, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the
family of Michael Bailey Bain.



September 05, 2023 at 07:22 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Michael Bailey Bain.

September 05, 2023 at 07:22 PM



“ Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Michael Bailey Bain.



September 05, 2023 at 05:55 PM