



Mr. Michael Alan Anderson

October 17, 1960 - January 22, 2019

Michael Alan Anderson, 58, of Chattanooga, passed away Tuesday, January 22, 2019.

Mike loved and was committed to his family and the practice of law. He was known as a man of integrity and humility, and he combined this with an exceptional work ethic to lead a decorated and respected legal career. He concentrated his practice in the area of litigation, vigorously representing his clients. He was an avid Auburn fan and enjoyed running, skiing, and playing golf.

Mike graduated from The McCallie School in 1978. He received his undergraduate degree from Auburn University in 1982, where he was a member of the Phi Delta Theta fraternity. He received his law degree from the Cumberland School of Law at Samford University in 1985. He began his legal career in Birmingham, Alabama before returning to Chattanooga, becoming a partner with Gearhiser, Peters & Horton in 1987 to 1995. He then became a founding partner of Horton, Maddox & Anderson through 2010. Subsequently he joined Patrick, Beard, Schulman & Jacoway as a partner, where he continued to practice law to the highest standard.

Mike was a member of The Chattanooga Bar Association; National Trial Lawyers Association; Best Lawyers in America, personal injury litigation; National Association of Subrogation Professionals; Auburn University School of Accountancy Advisory Board; Mid-South Super Lawyers, personal injury litigation; American Association for Justice; Tennessee Association for Justice; Alabama Association for Justice; Georgia Trial Lawyers Association; Roscoe Pound Institute; and National Association of Subrogation Professionals. He was a former board member of and associated with Chattanooga Endeavors, Inc. and Cumberland Heights.

Mike is survived by his wife, Tracy Lee Anderson; son, Clayton Miles Anderson; daughter, Leslie Anne Anderson; grandchildren, Sara Grace Anderson, Charles Otis Castellano, Anderson Floyd Castellano; mother, Geraldine Spratlin Anderson, brother Charles David (Sue) Anderson; nephew, Jonathan David (Phyllis) Anderson.

He was preceded in death by his father, Richard "Dick" Babb Anderson, of Chattanooga, Tennessee.

The family requests that donations be made to Cumberland Heights, 8283 River Road Pike, Nashville, TN 37209; The McCallie School, 500 Dodds Avenue, Chattanooga, TN 37404; Chattanooga Endeavors, Inc., 2007 East 27th Street, Chattanooga, TN 37407; and McKamey Animal Center, 4500 North Access Road, Chattanooga, Tennessee 37415.

The family will receive friends Friday from 5:00-8:00 p.m. at W.L. Wilson & Sons Funeral Home, 555 West Cloud Springs Rd, Fort Oglethorpe, GA 30742. A celebration of Mike's life will follow on Saturday at 1:00 p.m. in the Fort Oglethorpe Chapel of Wilson Funeral Home. Online register book may be visited at www.wilsonfuneralhome.com

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN **25**. 5:00 AM - 8:00 AM (ET)

W. L. Wilson & Sons Funeral Home-Ft. Oglethorpe Chapel
555 West Cloud Springs Road
Ft. Oglethorpe, GA 30742
(706) 866-5555
info@wilsonfuneralhome.com
<https://www.wilsonfuneralhome.com/>

Celebration of Life

JAN **26**. 1:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

CS

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with the family. I hope the many happy memories will help ease this time of sorry.*
Curtis Shaw '78

Curtis Shaw - January 30, 2019 at 02:45 PM



“ *A sympathy card was purchased for the family of Mr. Michael Alan Anderson.*



January 29, 2019 at 10:50 AM

AM

“ *Prayers for the family*

Allen McClary - January 29, 2019 at 09:37 AM

PW

“ *So, so sorry. Praying for all of you.*



Paige White - January 28, 2019 at 03:47 PM

DA

“ *Tracy, you and Clay are in our thoughts and prayers. Mike helped me on many cases with words of advice and wisdom, but always with a humble and helping attitude.*

david allen - January 28, 2019 at 08:42 AM

AP

“ *Tracy, I am so sorry for your loss. You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers. Alice Pollard*

Alice Pollard - January 27, 2019 at 09:52 PM

SM

“ Sandra McAfee lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael Alan Anderson



Sandra McAfee - January 26, 2019 at 01:09 PM



“ Amanda Tisza lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael Alan Anderson



Amanda Tisza - January 26, 2019 at 11:40 AM

TP

“ I had the honor of working for Mike at HMA for 15 yrs. He was truly a class act. Family and friends, you are being lifted up in prayer. John 3:16

Tina Payne

Tina Payne - January 26, 2019 at 10:45 AM

PS

“ Many years ago worked with Mike Anderson on legal cases at BCBST which involved Subrogation. Always a pleasure to have him represent our interest. Fine man, prayers & condolences to family 🙏

Patty Silver - January 26, 2019 at 10:39 AM

JS

“ Jason Sammet lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael Alan Anderson



Jason Sammet - January 26, 2019 at 07:49 AM

JA

“ 1 file added to the album War Damn Eagle



jay - January 25, 2019 at 08:33 PM

JW

“ Jay Wilkes sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Michael Alan Anderson



Jay Wilkes - January 25, 2019 at 07:32 PM

JW

Last time we saw each other.... SEC champ game 2010....went on to beat Oregon for only Natl championship in our lifetime.....

Jay Wilkes - January 25, 2019 at 07:36 PM

JW

“ Jay Wilkes lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael Alan Anderson



Jay Wilkes - January 25, 2019 at 02:48 PM

JW

“ Met Mike in 1979 at Auburn, became a true friend and Brother in the Bond. He will be missed.... Too many memories to share, but they will NEVER be forgotten....My Prayers go out to his family, I wish I could be there, but you will be in my thoughts.....I love you Man.....

Jay Wilkes - January 25, 2019 at 02:46 PM

EF

“ *Erin Flatt lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael Alan Anderson*



Erin Flatt - January 25, 2019 at 01:44 PM

EF

My deepest condolences to all of your family!

Erin Flatt - January 25, 2019 at 01:46 PM

BI

“ *My fondest memories of Mike take me back to the Summer of 1974. We were teammates on both the regular season baseball team(finishing 1st in the league) & All Star Team representing Signal Mtn., Tn. Our All Star Team was Signal Mtn's first to qualify for the State Tournament & Mike played a big part in our success ! He was voted one of our Team Captains by his peers & our Coach was his Dad “ Dirk “ Anderson ! In all of my 58 years, I can't think of a better Summer ! While I, like many, are in shock over his sudden passing, I will endeavor to remember the happier times that I shared with Mike when we didn't have a care in the world except for playing ball. My prayers & condolences to his family & friends. Bill Riheldaffer...*

Bill Riheldaffer III - January 25, 2019 at 12:34 PM

JA

“ *Jodi Allen lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael Alan Anderson*



Jodi Allen - January 25, 2019 at 12:06 PM

GK

“ My sincerest sympathies to all of Mike's family. I was extremely saddened and shocked to hear of Mike's sudden passing. I only knew Mike through the practice of law and not socially. Mike was usually on the opposing side but I considered him a friend nonetheless. He had a very engaging personality with a great smile and an infectious laugh. He was a very good lawyer who I knew to always be a straight-shooter with me over the years. More importantly, he was a great person who I know from my conversations with him was devoted to his family. He will be sorely missed by everyone who knew him. He leaves a great legacy as a person and lawyer. George E. Koontz

george koontz - January 25, 2019 at 12:01 PM

AS

“ Deepest condolences. Mike and Anne Sanders

Anne Sanders - January 25, 2019 at 11:30 AM

AG

“ Mike Anderson

- a friend to anyone who needed a friend
- a smile for everyone - whether you needed it or not
- a man who met the ideals of what a lawyer is supposed to be - who represented his clients zealously, who was courteous to opposing counsel and opposing parties, who knew the law and who used his knowledge to promote the cause of justice.
- a man of integrity

Mike will be missed by those who knew him, and by the legal system as a whole. I am grateful that I was able to know him.

Art Grisham

Art Grisham - January 25, 2019 at 11:20 AM

LB

“ Linda Bickford lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael Alan Anderson



Linda Bickford - January 25, 2019 at 10:29 AM

LB

Tracy, I am so sorry for you loss.

Linda Bickford - January 25, 2019 at 10:32 AM

CW

I offer my sincerest condolences. I worked opposite Mike on several cases. Despite taking adversarial positions, he was not an adversary. When I first met Mike, I told him he looked like President Clinton to which he indicated that he often got that. It wasn't just that he looked like that president, which he did, Mike had a presidential quality and presence of old. I always found him to be a genuine gentleman and a caring person. The law profession will share in and mourn this earthly loss but, rejoice in Mike's homegoing. May God anoint you with the peace that surpasses human understanding.

Carmen Ware and Family

Carmen Ware - January 25, 2019 at 11:29 AM

KS

“ *Tracy and family,*

I worked with Mike during the HMA days. I am so very sorry. You all have our deepest sympathies and condolences. Thoughts and prayers to all.

Karla Shelton and Family

Karla Shelton - January 25, 2019 at 09:33 AM

BC

“ *Beth Criste-Pell lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael Alan Anderson*



Beth Criste-Pell - January 25, 2019 at 09:00 AM

HU

“ *Mike was and will always be my friend. A great lawyer for certain with an amazing ability to organize and simplify complicated or convoluted facts or legal theories, but most importantly to me a loyal committed friend who enriched my life and earned my undying respect. I will miss him.*

Howard Upchurch

howard upchurch - January 24, 2019 at 08:28 PM

TB

“ *Tammy Barnett lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael Alan Anderson*



Tammy Barnett - January 24, 2019 at 08:24 PM

JH

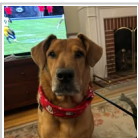
“ *I will greatly miss Mike's dry wit and ever present smile. Whether in a formal or informal setting, I always walked away the better for having been around him. He was consistently pleasant in our cases together and a true gentleman. We typically shared a funny moment or two in every meeting and his chuckles were quick to come. His sudden passing was an absolute shock to me. I extend my heartfelt condolences to Tracy and the rest of the family at this most tender of times. May God bless and provide comfort to you during this very difficult time. Rest in peace dear Mike. Joe Hollis*

Joe Hollis - January 24, 2019 at 05:25 PM



“ *We have known Mike professionally for many years. He was an amazing attorney and a genuinely great person. He will be missed. Our sympathy and condolences are extended to the family. Sue and Lee Culpepper*

Sue Culpepper - January 24, 2019 at 04:55 PM



“ *Sue Culpepper lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael Alan Anderson*



Sue Culpepper - January 24, 2019 at 04:52 PM