



## Michael "Mike" Erps

June 30, 1947 - December 25, 2021

Michael (Mike) Erps passed away December 25, 2021, at his home in Willcox, AZ at the age of 74. Mike was born June 30, 1947, in Sidney, Montana to parents Rex H and Margie D Erps. In 1954 the family ventured north to the territory of Alaska to pursue the good life in the last frontier. Mike spent many happy years exploring the forests, hunting and fishing. After graduating from high school in 1965, Mike enlisted in the army. He took advantage of being stationed in Germany, bought a Volkswagen and toured all the neighboring countries. After being honorably discharged, Mike returned to Alaska. It was while working at AIH in Wasilla that he met the love of his life when Vicki Hoekzema came into the store. They were married in Willow July 4, 1998. Upon his retirement as the Solid Waste Manager from the Matanuska-Susitna Borough, he and Vicki sold everything and bought a fifth wheel. They spent the next several years being campground hosts and living the gypsy life. They eventually settled in Willcox, Arizona. Mike is survived by his wife Vicki, daughter Lisa Hoekzema, son Danny Hoekzema, granddaughter Cherrel High, great grandson Carson High, sister Kaylea Sisson, and younger brother A. Gene Erps. Mike was preceded in death by his parents Rex and Margie Erps, and his older brother Charles R Erps.

Memorial Services will be 2:00 pm on Wednesday, January 12, 2022, at Westlawn Chapel.

Topic: Mike Erps Memorial Service

Time: Jan 12, 2022 01:45 PM Arizona

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3043585549?pwd=Q3RtTGxvOUlybmM0ZWtsZ2owVDBYUT09>

Meeting ID: 304 358 5549

Passcode: 5ptZJT

# Previous Events

## Memorial service

JAN 12. 2:00 PM (MT)

Westlawn Chapel & Mortuary Inc.  
105 S Arizona Avenue  
Willcox, AZ 85643  
(520) 384-2413  
westwx@vtc.net  
<https://www.westlawnchapelmortuary.com>

# Tribute Wall



“ *Michael "Mike" Erps*

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January 30, 2023 at 12:50 AM



“ *Mike worked for Tommy and I at Freeway Chevron from 2006 until his cancer was diagnosed in May of 2019. For a number of years Mike and Vicky were only here from Oct. until Apr., then they would go back North and work as camp hosts. If someone left our employ in the summer or fall, we would say "Let's hang on and make due until Mike gets back." He was a wonderful employee and a great friend. He was one of the kindest men I've ever known, and had a wonderful sense of humor. I will miss him so much.*

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**Nancy Glenn** - January 07, 2022 at 07:12 PM



“ *RIP Mike*

*When you retired from work you told me "Your going ro miss me" and I did but we kept in touch & you always called me when you came to Ak so we could go have lunch, But this time I, really going , to miss you my friend, we worked well together & I admired & learned from your carpentry skills, You will never be forgotten "Barry"*

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**Barry Lowe** - December 30, 2021 at 07:36 AM

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“ *RIP my old friend preyers for Family*



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**rob** - December 27, 2021 at 10:55 PM