



Howard Michael Horsman

February 19, 1937 - April 27, 2025

Howard Michael Horsman, affectionately known as "Mike," touched the lives of many during his 88 years on this earth. Born in Bartlesville, OK on February 19, 1937, to James and Mable Horsman, Mike's journey was one of creativity, passion, and unwavering love for his family.

A true artisan, Mike was a professional woodworking artist whose craftsmanship was admired by all who had the privilege of witnessing his work. His hands could turn a simple piece of wood into a masterpiece, reflecting his dedication to his craft and his keen eye for detail. When he wasn't in his workshop, Mike could often be found casting his line into the waters, indulging in his love for fishing, or tending to his vibrant garden, where he nurtured life with the same care and attention he gave to his family.

After completing high school, Mike pursued his academic aspirations in Kansas City, MO, where he earned three master's degrees from the University of Missouri. Armed with knowledge and a thirst for learning, he returned to his roots in Ochelata, where he married the love of his life, Anne Horsman, and together they raised a beautiful blended family of seven children.

In 1970, Mike embarked on a fulfilling teaching career at College High in Bartlesville, OK, leaving an indelible mark on countless students with his wisdom and guidance. His dedication to education was unwavering, and he continued to inspire young minds until his retirement in 1996, holding the distinction of being the longest-serving teacher at the time.

Beyond his professional endeavors, Mike was an active member of the

community, participating in organizations such as OK Mozart and the Bartlesville Woodturners Association, where he shared his passion for music and woodworking with like-minded individuals.

While we mourn his passing, we take solace in the memories and legacy he leaves behind. Mike was preceded in death by his beloved parents, James and Mable Horsman, his cherished wife, Anne Horsman, his son Douglas Horsman, his daughter Teressa Horsman Vaughn, his granddaughter Grace Horsman, and his brother James Horsman.

He is survived by his children, Michael Horsman, Stephanie Debacker, Wesley Horsman, Justin Horsman, and Robert Horsman, along with nineteen grandchildren, forty great-grandchildren, and ten great-great-grandchildren. He is also survived by his sisters, Sandy Shriver and Pat Henderson, who will carry on his memory with love and reverence.

A memorial service to celebrate Mike's life will be held at the Ramona American Legion on Saturday, May 10, 2025, at 10:00 AM. In lieu of flowers, the family kindly requests donations to Comforting Hands Hospice.

Howard Michael Horsman's legacy will endure through the lives he touched and the memories he created. May his spirit live on in the hearts of those who knew and loved him.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

MAY **10**. 10:00 AM (CT)

American Legion-Ramona
400 Veterans Blvd
Ramona, OK 74061

Tribute Wall

KL

“ *Kim Lunsford lit a candle in memory of Howard Michael Horsman*



Kim Lunsford - May 02, 2025 at 01:18 PM

L1

“ *Louise Heyer "Class Of 1974" lit a candle in memory of Howard Michael Horsman*



Louise Heyer "Class of 1974" - April 30, 2025 at 12:47 PM

SA

“ To Michael, Stephanie, Wes, Justin and Bob, I am so, so sorry for your loss. Please allow your memories to comfort you in this time. I am also sending thoughts and prayers your way! But, heaven gained a new angel, only this one will be a worker bee. Never do I remember him not doing something! And, I am sure Ann was standing right there at the gates waiting on him! Your Dad came into my life when I was just about 4. From the first day that I met him to the time I was 7 or 8 not a day went by that I probably didn't see him, Stephanie and I were besties and spent every waking moment either at my house or her's, we lived across the street from each other and were inseparable! I was the daughter he acquired on a daily basis! Mike took me to the church with them to the park and fixed many a lunch and dinner for me. When he moved back to Oklahoma, my first ride on the airplane was to go to Oklahoma and visit Stephanie and the Horsman gang. No matter what was going on, Mike and his family always welcomed me into their life. As I got older, my visits were less and less, however, I do remember a Fourth of July I spent in Oklahoma, Mike so graciously welcomed not only me, but my family of four to spend a few days. My son, Jeff, still remembers Mike and Teresa taking him blackberry picking and making jam. I will always have very fond memories of my times with Mike...

Susie Arasmith-Mason

Susan Arasmith-Mason - April 30, 2025 at 12:07 AM

J1

“ Janice Holland (Col High Class Of 1973) lit a candle in memory of Howard Michael Horsman



Janice Holland (Col High Class of 1973) - April 29, 2025 at 08:32 PM

CB

“ *Carla Beaumont lit a candle in memory of Howard Michael Horsman*



Carla Beaumont - April 29, 2025 at 06:03 PM

MM

“ *Mary May lit a candle in memory of Howard Michael Horsman*



Mary May - April 29, 2025 at 06:01 PM