

Psalm 23

1 The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.

*2 He maketh me to lie down in green pastures:
he leadeth me beside the still waters.*

*3 He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths
of righteousness for his name's sake.*

*4 Yea, though I walk through the valley of the
shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art
with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.*

*5 Thou preparest a table before me in the presence
of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil;
my cup runneth over.*

*6 Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all
the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house
of the LORD for ever.*



In Loving Memory of



Mark Charles Merrell

December 11, 1960

September 20, 2024

Mark Charles Merrell

Mark Charles Merrell, 63, of Sedalia, MO, formerly of the Kansas City area, passed away peacefully on Friday, September 20, 2024, at St. Luke's Hospital of Kansas City. Mark's unwavering faith guided him throughout his life, and he is now at peace with the Lord.

Born in North Kansas City, MO, Mark was the beloved son of Nadine (Carter) Merrell Satterfield and the late Ronald Merrell. He shared a deep bond with his family and cherished his role as a devoted husband, father, son, brother, and uncle. On September 8, 2022, Mark married the love of his life, Mickey Beasley, in Kansas City, KS. Together, they enjoyed countless memorable moments attending concerts, sports events, and racing, their shared passions.

Mark had a vibrant career in motorsports and broadcasting. As an enthusiastic race car fan, he spent years as an announcer and interviewer, most notably working for MRN Radio where he had the honor of interviewing NASCAR drivers. He also co-hosted a NASCAR talk show on KMBZ Radio with Steve Parker and served as a sideline reporter for William Jewell College football games. Mark's voice resonated at Lakeside Speedway, I-35 Speedway, I-70 Speedway, and even the Missouri State Fair Speedway, where he had the privilege of announcing alongside Bob Libby. Mark also worked for the Division of Family Services for the state of Missouri, retiring after 29 years of service.

A multi-talented man, Mark contributed as a writer for **Speed Sport News**, a columnist for the **Kansas City Star**, and a contributor to **Sports Fitness** magazine. He was a television cameraman, a former musician, and a beloved presence at demolition derbies with J.D. Green. His lifelong passion for music also led him to perform in a band, participate in jam sessions, and sing karaoke with family and friends.

Mark's legacy lives on through his loving wife, Mickey, who resides in their home, and his cherished family: his mother Nadine Satterfield and her husband Harry of Dover, DE; his brother Matt Merrell and his wife JoVonda of Shawnee, KS; and his niece and two nephews. He is preceded in death by his father Ronald, and his maternal and paternal grandparents.

A graveside service will be held on Wednesday, October 2, 2024, at 1:30 p.m. at Memorial Park Cemetery. Pastor Steve Graff will officiate the ceremony. Mark's nephews and close friends—Aron Merrell, Noah Smith, Steve Cox, Bo Beasley, Rick Cole, and J.D. Green—will honor him as pallbearers.

In lieu of flowers, the family kindly requests memorial contributions be made in Mark's honor, entrusted to Rea Funeral Chapel.

Mark's love for life, family, and friends, coupled with his dedication to his passions, will forever be remembered by all who knew him.

The family will have a Celebration of Life event at a later date.

Graveside Service

1:30 p.m.

Wednesday, October 2, 2024

Memorial Park Cemetery

Sedalia, MO

Officiant

Pastor Steve Graff

Special Music

“How Great Thou Art”

“Peace In The Valley”

Pallbearers

Aron Merrell, Noah Smith, Steve Cox,

Bo Beasley, Rick Cole, J.D. Green