



## Derrick Lavale Mikes, Sr.

July 1, 1976 - December 22, 2025

Derrick L. "Dadal" Mikes, Sr., 49, of Chattanooga, passed away Monday, December 22, 2025.

He attended and graduated from Brainerd High School class of 1994. He will be truly missed by all who loved him.

He leaves to cherish his memories is his wife, Yolanda Mikes; a host of other family and friends.

He will lie-in-state on Friday, January 16, 2026, at 9:00 a.m. Taylor Funeral Home. Funeral service to follow at 12 noon in the chapel. Burial in Forest Hills Cemetery.

# Previous Events

## Lie-In-State

JAN 16. 9:00 AM - 11:30 AM (ET)

Taylor Funeral Home  
3417 Wilcox Boulevard  
Chattanooga, TN 37411-1076

## Funeral Service

JAN 16. 12:00 PM - 1:30 PM (ET)

Taylor Funeral Home  
3417 Wilcox Boulevard  
Chattanooga, TN 37411-1076

## Burial

JAN 16. 2:00 PM (ET)

Forest Hills Cemetery  
4016 Tennessee Avenue  
Chattanooga, TN 37409

# Tribute Wall



“ *Nikki Hayes lit a candle in memory of Derrick Lavale Mikes, Sr.*



**Nikki Hayes** - January 16 at 05:21 PM



“ *Your, Steel Warehouse Family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Derrick Lavale Mikes, Sr..*



**Your, Steel Warehouse Family** - January 08 at 07:23 PM

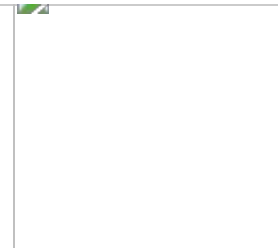


“ *Your, Steel Warehouse Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Derrick Lavale Mikes, Sr..*

**Your, Steel Warehouse Family** - January 08 at 07:23 PM



“ *Wilma Poole lit a candle in memory of Derrick Lavale Mikes, Sr.*



**Wilma Poole** - January 08 at 05:47 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Derrick Lavale Mikes, Sr..*

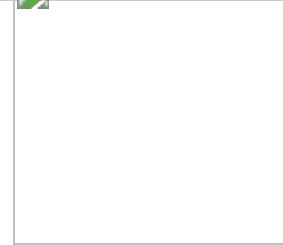


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January 06 at 04:02 PM



“ *ALWAYS HAD A TRULY GOOD TIME WHENEVER WE WERE AROUND EACH OTHER. PRAYERS TO YOUR FAMILY, YOU WILL BE MISSED.*

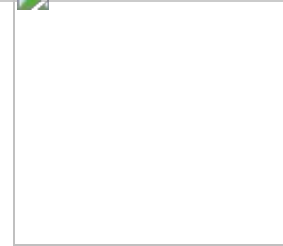


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**Terry Smith** - January 04 at 10:44 AM



“ *Nikki G lit a candle in memory of Derrick Lavale Mikes, Sr.*

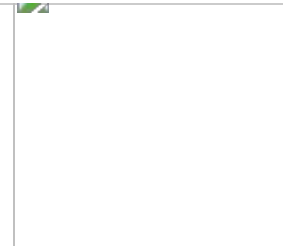


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**Nikki G** - January 02 at 06:03 PM



“ *May he rest peacefully 🙏*



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**Tosha Cook-Mcdade** - January 02 at 01:59 AM

DS

“ You will be missed cousin sending prayers and hugs to his wife and family

Devonda Smith - January 01 at 01:37 AM

DS

“ Sending prayers and condolences to his family love Mary Vonzell Garner

Devonda Smith - January 01 at 01:36 AM

P

“ Praying for the family in their time of sorrow.  
The Joseph Family

Patricia Joseph - December 30, 2025 at 01:39 PM

JS

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Juanita Smith - December 28, 2025 at 11:21 AM

JS

*Derrick Mikes, son-n-law you gonna be truly missed but not forgotten love you. My you Rest In Paradise ❤️*

**Juanita Smith** - December 28, 2025 at 11:24 AM



“ *Condolences to the Family, My Guy you will be truly missed, Class of 94*

*Theron Zackery*

**Theron Zackery** - December 27, 2025 at 07:32 PM

R

“ *Renee lit a candle in memory of Derrick Lavale Mikes, Sr.*

**Renee** - December 27, 2025 at 09:56 AM

S

“ *My condolences to the family, you will be truly missed by your cousins and relatives, Love Sam and family 💕*

**Samaria Mckibben** - December 27, 2025 at 04:29 AM

MR

“ Missy Rizer lit a candle in memory of Derrick Lavale Mikes, Sr.

Missy Rizer - December 27, 2025 at 12:57 AM

V

“ Vassie Elder lit a candle in memory of Derrick Lavale Mikes, Sr.

Vassie Elder - December 26, 2025 at 11:51 AM

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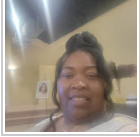
“ Vassie Elder lit a candle in memory of Derrick Lavale Mikes, Sr.

Vassie Elder - December 26, 2025 at 11:51 AM

D

“ Sending virtual hugs, to my niece Yolonda, Praying for Strength for the family, in this time of Sorrow. Take your Rest Derrick, Absent from the body, Is Present with Our Father. Love: Aunt Pep 🙏🙏🙏 ING

Doris Readus - December 24, 2025 at 07:55 AM



“ *I'm so sorry for your loss sending prayers and my condolences at this sad and difficult time just know God will see yall through*

Yolanda Dave - December 23, 2025 at 09:55 PM



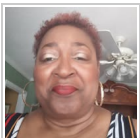
“ *You will be greatly missed.*

Bonnie Smith - December 23, 2025 at 06:32 PM



“ *PRAYING FOR YOU ALL*

Tanna Bailey - December 23, 2025 at 03:43 AM



“ *May the Peace of God be with the family* 🙏  
❤️

Lera Richmond - December 22, 2025 at 02:58 PM