



## Michael "John" Cooke

November 14, 1965 - October 31, 2015

Cooke, Michael "John", October 31, 2015, age 49 of Westland. Beloved husband of Tamie. Loving father of Megan Lyn, Terry (Lindsey), Anthony and Andrew. Proud grandfather of Kaden, Mikayla and Chase. Dear brother of Roy, Francis, Joan, James and Rita. Cherished son of June and the late William "Frank" Cooke. Also survived by many nieces, nephews, cousins and dear friends. Michael was a driver leader for Swift Transportation fleet in New Boston, Michigan. Memorial Service to be held at a later date. To share a memory, please use the Share a Memory tab on this web page.

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“ *Michael "John" Cooke*

December 07, 2023 at 05:11 AM



“ *My heartfelt condolences out to Mike's family. I have worked with Mike over the years at Swift. While we never met in person, we talked many times over the phone and across the AS400 system...always trying to get his guys moving. I am sorry this is late, as I just found out about his passing. May he rest in peace, and know he will be missed by many...*

*Carl Johnson*

*Swift Transportation*

*Edwardsville Kansas Terminal*

Carl Johnson - November 18, 2015 at 11:06 AM



“ *Mike was a compassionate animal lover, and he and I would spend time at the terminal sharing stories about our "Brussels". He was a great 'go-to' person, and always a friendly face to see when coming in off of the road. My condolences to his family during this time of sorrow and loss.*



tim hurley - November 09, 2015 at 02:33 PM

JL

“ My deepest condolences go out to Mike's family. He was a great Man and an awesome co worker and friend. It was always a pleasure speaking with Mike because he had such a positive outlook on so many things. I enjoyed hearing all of his stories about his motorcyle journeys and will definitely miss our conversations. Mike's passing is a huge loss to all of us but I find peace knowing that he will be watching over us now. Rest in peace my friend.



Jared Sclafani - New Boston Fleet Leader - November 05, 2015 at 07:29 AM



“ Mike was always cheerful and happy. I can't really remember a time that he was upset. He was always helpful and had a kind word to share. It was a pleasure knowing him and working with him. I send prayers to all his family and friends because we have all truly lost a jewel.



Nina McCauley - November 05, 2015 at 05:42 AM

Kate Gallaher

“ My heart hurts. Mike was the best driver leader I've had at swift. He always looked out for his drivers. Always knew what to say to calm a situation. He was more than my boss he was a friend. My thoughts and prayers to Tammy and his whole family. He will be greatly missed.



Kate Gallaher - November 04, 2015 at 05:33 PM

Dawn  
Gierlack

“ Mike was a great man, always had a smile or a funny comment to make even your worst day seem bearable. I will truly miss him as I do consider him to be a good friend. I will miss his booming laugh and gentle giant personality. I will miss asking him to kidnap me from work as he was leaving for the day so I did not have to do my night shift, to which he always turned me down saying he would see me in the next day.



Dawn Gierlack - November 04, 2015 at 11:42 AM

JL

“ R.I.P Mike and condolences to his family. Mike was a great guy and much more than a driver leader to me. he will certainly be missed. Keep on trucking my friend!



Sincerely, Joshua Lewis

Joshua Lewis - November 04, 2015 at 08:28 AM

KA

“ Kathy lit a candle in memory of Michael "John" Cooke

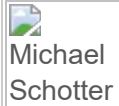


Kathy - November 04, 2015 at 03:06 AM

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Also from Gus Krudwig and Karen Frazier

Kathy - November 04, 2015 at 03:07 AM



Michael Schotter

“ *Michael Schotter purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Michael "John" Cooke.*



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**Michael Schotter** - November 03, 2015 at 10:38 PM

EM

“ *Ellen Molony lit a candle in memory of Michael "John" Cooke*



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**Ellen Molony** - November 03, 2015 at 09:29 PM

EM

*Still in total shock over this incredibly sad news. Sending love, peace and strength to all John's family and especially his mother, June and wife, Tamie at this time of mourning. Celebrate the great man he was and remember the good times <3*

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**Ellen Molony** - November 03, 2015 at 09:37 PM



Michael  
Schotter

“ Our condolences to Mikes Family, Mike has helped me to understand so much just by being there and listening offering solutions to just about anything you needed. He did always have a smile no matter what kind of day he was having. Mike always had to call My dog Freddy to come see him, lol, be it at his desk or in the hallway. Mike you touch so many lives and I just wish you was still here to touch many more lives with that huge smile of yours. To the Cooks and Swift family, Mike is looking down with his great big smile saying " Grease down shinny side up" I will see you all soon again.  
May God Bless you for sharing such a wonderful man in our lives. Our hearts go out to you.  
Mike Schotter  
Gator Express LLC. (Swift)

*p.s. Hey Big man I finally did it!*

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**Michael Schotter** - November 03, 2015 at 09:06 PM

DK

“ Mike was great Driver Leader. I had him almost from the start at swift. A little over 3 years. He was a great person to talk too. He helped me through my dads funeral. Helped me get to my moms house in Florida after she was hospitalized. I stopped in Kentucky and got pamphlets about the bourbon trail. He never got the chance to go, he ended up seeing a new member of his family. I will miss him. My condolences to his family. He made everyone feel special he even helped my fiancé Michelle get home just this last weekend.



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**David C Kutchey** - November 03, 2015 at 05:30 PM

DE

“ *Such a great guy, he will be missed by his Swift family. Prayers for the family. R. I. P Mike*



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**debbie** - November 03, 2015 at 05:17 PM

SD

“ *Surry Maintenance Department purchased the Fruits and Blooms Basket for the family of Michael "John" Cooke.*



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**Surry Maintenance Department** - November 03, 2015 at 04:08 PM



“ *Barbara Scheaffer lit a candle in memory of Michael "John" Cooke*



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**Barbara Scheaffer** - November 03, 2015 at 12:53 PM



*Prayers for peace and comfort at this time for the family!*

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**Barbara Scheaffer** - November 03, 2015 at 12:55 PM

JB

“ I will very much miss Mike's Iron Butt Adventures. Seeing his pictures and the excitement in his voice as he described each one. His enthusiasm when he was able to save "every single bottle of every kind of Jim Beam they make" and bring them to me so I could make an entire set of my light bottles was so awesome and totally thoughtful. That was the kind of person Mike was. Thinking of others. We will very much miss him here at Swift.

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**Julie Baughman** - November 03, 2015 at 12:20 PM

MB

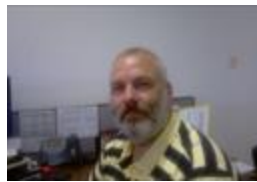
“ What a great guy to be around. Lit up the room that's for sure! Such a sweet guy that always had a great attitude no matter what the circumstances .Always walking around the parking lot on his lunch hour with his cell phone to his ear. We will miss him a lot. Prayers and thoughts go out to his family and loved ones during this difficult time. May God watch over you all and comfort you. God Bless

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**Michelle Boone** - November 03, 2015 at 12:01 PM

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**Linda** - November 03, 2015 at 09:47 AM

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Linda - November 03, 2015 at 09:41 AM

DC

“ Mike was more than a great friend. he was someone that I could talk to. we sat next to each other at Swift. we made the job fun otherwise there was no point. We were always confused by other people because of our last names.. he always said that my spelling of my name was the "lazy american version." due to his last name ended with an E and mine didn't. He was my coupon buddy. At lunch time we would coupon together on websites getting our lists ready for shopping. we always joked around about who was stalking who when we would see each other at Meijers and/or Krogers on the weekends.. He is someone that I will always hold close to my heart forever. His ride in life was way too short. I will dearly miss him. my heart goes out to his family. He loved you all very much.



Debbie Cook - November 03, 2015 at 08:38 AM



“ My condolences to his family, friends and loved ones. Mike was always a smiling presence, he will be sorely missed.  
B. Molden



b - November 03, 2015 at 08:26 AM

RC

“ *My thoughts and prayers for the family, Mike was a wonderful guy and loved his family and friends. He was great to work with and will be sadly missed. Randy Cooper*

**Randy Cooper** - November 03, 2015 at 08:22 AM

LL

“ *Linda Lee lit a candle in memory of Michael "John" Cooke*



**Linda Lee** - November 03, 2015 at 08:04 AM

AM

“ *Amanda lit a candle in memory of Michael "John" Cooke*



**Amanda** - November 03, 2015 at 07:49 AM

LH

“ *Frances, we are so sorry for your sudden loss. Priscilla and I will be praying for Gods comfort during this time. --Lee*

**Lee Harrison** - November 03, 2015 at 07:35 AM



“ *My condolences to Cooke Family. I worked with Mike at Dollar Rent a Car in Cleveland. Funny incident when we found out that I was 6 hours older than Mike, factoring he was born overseas. I told him to respect his elders. RIP brother.*



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**Rob Balog** - November 03, 2015 at 05:45 AM