



## Rev. Michael Alec Black

June 9, 1957 - December 29, 2023

Rev. Michael Alec Black of Myrtle Beach passed away Friday December 29 in Myrtle Beach. Mike was a retired United Methodist minister who devoted his life to ministry and the spiritual teaching and care of others.

Mike returned to Myrtle Beach in the early 1990s to be near his parents Alec and Jamie Black. He worked in commercial insurance and risk management with his family's State Farm insurance agency. More recently, Mike has been a commercial & industrial leasing specialist for Tradd Commercial Realty with fifteen years' experience as a realtor.

Mike was a native of Myrtle Beach and attended Myrtle Beach public schools, graduating Myrtle Beach High in 1974. Like many locals his age, Mike worked in restaurants and motels from his early teens and eventually drove a delivery truck through his college years.

Mike held degrees from Wofford College, Duke University, and the University of South Carolina. A Religion major at Wofford, Mike went on to Duke Divinity School and received his Master of Divinity Degree. He then entered USC where he earned a Master of Mass Communication Degree. Mike specialized in documentary and architectural photography as well as audio and video production. In addition, Mike taught studio music production and photography at USC.

Mike was the Pastor at numerous United Methodist Conference churches in South Carolina. He was an experienced internet designer and enjoyed incorporating multimedia into his real estate listing and marketing materials. Mike enjoyed outdoor activities, including paddling his canoe on the Waccamaw River, and most recently recreational drone photography.

Mike was a gifted musician and enjoyed playing his beloved Martin Herringbone, writing and recording music, as well as restoring vintage amplifiers, guitars, lap steel guitars, antique radios, and resophonic guitars.

Mike is survived by his wife of 32 years Nadia Rasheed Black and by his parents, T. Alec Black and Jamie Dusenbury Black. He was predeceased by his maternal grandparents, James Monroe and Lily Faye Dusenbury.

Memorials may be made to Epworth Children's Home, PO Box 50466 Columbia, SC 29250 or to any charity of choice.

A memorial service will be held at 2:00 PM Friday, January 5, 2024, at Union United Methodist Church with Rev. Kyle Randle and Rev. Jim Creel, Jr. officiating.

Inurnment will be private.

Please sign the online guestbook at [www.goldfinchfuneralhome.com](http://www.goldfinchfuneralhome.com)

Goldfinch Funeral Home, Conway Chapel is in charge of the arrangements.

# Cemetery Details

## Union United Methodist Church Cemetery

4491 Hwy 701 South  
Conway, SC 29527

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service-Graveside

JAN 5. 2:00 PM (ET)

Union United Methodist Church  
4491 Hwy. 701 South  
Conway, SC 29527

# Tribute Wall

WM

“ *My Dear Sweet Nadia and Mr and Mrs Black, I am just hearing of Mike's passing and am so very sorry to learn of your loss. Mike was always so sweet and caring and always willing to help in any way he could. Please know that all are in my thoughts and prayers. If there is anything I can do for you, please give me a call. Love, hugs, and prayers for each.*

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**Willa Mae Mishoe** - March 07, 2024 at 08:43 PM

RE

“ *Oh, Nadia!!! I am just hearing of Mike's departure from this earth. I am so very sorry for your loss. I know you must be devastated!!! Please don't hesitate to call if there is anything I can do to help. He was a wonderful person who loved you and his family dearly. Again, I am so sorry, and hope that God will grant you peace and comfort!!!*  
*Renee Elvis*

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**Renee Elvis** - January 30, 2024 at 01:52 PM

LC

“ *Nadia, I'm deeply sorry for your loss.*  
*Luci Chandler*

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**Luci Chandler** - January 06, 2024 at 01:56 PM

JC

“ Dear Nadia and Mr and Mrs Black, Holly and I are saddened to hear of Mike’s death. He and I were at Wofford where we both sang in the Glee Club. I remember staying at the Black’s on a spring tour stop in MB. Mike’s knowledge of just about everything was astounding. While we were in touch only sporadically, he was never far from my heart.  
Rev. Jim Caprell

Jim Caprell - January 05, 2024 at 12:57 PM

CH

“ We are so sorry that Mike has passed. Our thoughts and prayers are with you. Tim and Charlotte Hunter

CHARLOTTE HUNTER - January 05, 2024 at 07:30 AM

JS

“ Dear Nadia and Mr. and Mrs. Black, I am so sorry to hear of Mike's passing. He was the first friend I made after my family moved to MB in 1968 and we remained close in middle and high school. He was so talented playing the guitar and lived a life with many varied interests, but the UMC always seemed to be at the heart of it. Please accept my deepest sympathies and hope you find a measure of peace in this time of sorrow.

Jeff Seymore - January 04, 2024 at 08:26 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Rev. Michael Alec Black.



January 04, 2024 at 03:25 PM

ER

“ Elizabeth, Richard, and Kathie Rasheed planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Rev. Michael Alec Black.

Elizabeth, Richard, and Kathie Rasheed - January 04, 2024 at 03:25 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Rev. Michael Alec Black.



January 04, 2024 at 03:15 PM

SG

“ Sheriff Weaver & Staff, GCSO planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Rev. Michael Alec Black.

Sheriff Weaver & Staff, GCSO - January 04, 2024 at 03:15 PM

RS

“ *Nadia, and the entire Black family, I wish to convey my deepest sympathy as we recognize the passing of Mike Black. He and I were good friends and worked together for many years. He was so knowledgeable about musical instruments that I always went to him first for information. We shared similar interests in musical styles and communicated regularly about many artists, new and old. Due to his big heart, knowledge of instruments and an awareness of my needs, he was key to selecting a guitar that our company gave me as a retirement gift. The picture here, is Mike and I at my retirement party as we played "Key to the Highway". I think of him every time I pick up any guitar, but strumming this one is poignant, sad and uplifting at the same time. I will miss him terribly and cherish the memories we shared. May he rest in peace and may you find peace and comfort in the life he lived and the friendships he helped create.*



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**Rod Smith** - January 03, 2024 at 12:34 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Rev. Michael Alec Black.*



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January 03, 2024 at 10:26 AM

DA

“ *Mr Alex Black and Jaime Black I am so sorry to hear about Mike. I will be praying for you all at this time of sorrow. May God be you all.*

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**Deborah Anderson** - January 01, 2024 at 11:08 PM

CF

“ *Nadia and Mr. & Mrs. Black, I know you are devastated by Mike’s sudden passing and I am so very sorry for your loss. I hope that your happy memories of him are able to bring you some comfort and peace in the days to come.*

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**Caroline Fox** - January 01, 2024 at 02:45 PM

RB

*Remember Mike and Nadia with fondness. Bill went to Okefenokee swamp with him and friends.. memorable!*

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**Rosalie B Bellamy** - January 01, 2024 at 05:17 PM

TE

“ *Alec and Jamie, was shocked to hear about your son. My sincere condolences go out to your family. May God be with you during this special time. Tessa G. Edmondson*

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**tessa G. Edmondson** - January 01, 2024 at 02:04 PM

DK

“ *My sincere condolences to Nadia and Mr. and Mrs. Black with the loss of Mike. I went to junior high and high school with Mike. We also lived near each other growing up. His beloved Godfather, Jack Nixon lived across the street from my family. My thoughts and prayers are with his wife and parents at this time and always.*

*Deborah Storer Kimsey*

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**Deborah Storer Kimsey** - January 01, 2024 at 01:15 PM

CS

“ *Nadia I am so sorry to hear of Mikes passing. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.*

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**CHARLOTTE STEPHENS** - January 01, 2024 at 08:09 AM

CH

“*Jamie and Alex, I am so shocked and saddened. Please know you are in my prayers.*

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**Churchill** - December 31, 2023 at 11:46 PM

PB

*Jamie and Alex, I am so sorry for your loss. I didn't know Mike but remember you having told me of his life and how proud you were of him. Please accept my sincere condolences.*

*Patsy Buck*

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**Patsy Buck** - January 04, 2024 at 02:45 PM

SL

*Dear Nadia and Mr. & Mrs. Black, I was very sad to hear of Mikes passing. I was friends with Mike in High School. We were a part of a Theatre Group called G-74. He introduced me to music that they didn't play on the radio. The summer before he went to Wofford, he worked down near the Gay Dolphin and I lived 3 blocks away. I went and bothered him a lot. I am sure he thought I was silly, but he was always nice to me. He wrote me a few times when he was at Wofford and I still have those letters. My thoughts and prayers are with you.*

*Sallie Platt Lawrence*

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**Sallie Platt Lawrence** - January 05, 2024 at 01:25 PM

SB

*Dear Nadia and Mr. and Mrs. Black, please accept my sincere sorrow in hearing of Mike's passing. I worked with him at Coldwell Banker and always enjoyed our time together. He was friendly, caring and generous; a good man. He surprised me multiple times by gifting me with an old CD he found of my favorite singers. I will remember him each time I play them. God bless and keep you.*

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**Sherrie G Bellamy** - January 09, 2024 at 02:19 PM