



Michael Uresti

September 17, 1958 - August 27, 2021

If you look up the word burro it will say that it's a "small donkey used as a pack animal." But the mighty burro is resilient, strong, and stubborn. The mighty burro is not just a pack animal, it is a spirit animal that guides the way of all burros that follow it. Mike Burro is no exception to that. One does not just become a burro at birth, it's not something that is inherited from your ancestors, but a path one must take. Burros must not conform to the rules, they must not care about the opinion of others, they must go against the grain, and do everything in good faith to help all men that come their way.

The first words that come to mind when most people hear Mike Burro are crazy, dedicated, and headstrong. Just like the mighty burro, Mike Burro is obstinate. Mike Burro would become best friends with the underdog by giving them purpose and meaning. He found the lost and broken and helped them know their worth. He saw the good in everyone but would kick their butt if they crossed him or the ones he loves. Mike Burro could break a man down with his wit, and then be his friend again the next day. Mike Burro loved a great argument. Mike Burro did not lose his battle with cancer because when he was diagnosed and given 6 months to live, he fought it and lived for two more years. When the doctor told Mike Burro that he wouldn't be able to eat, he didn't listen to that burro and ate whatever he wanted anyway.

Mike Burro was very close to his parents. So close that he bought a house a few blocks away so that he could spend as much time with them as possible. He made sure to see his father, Albert, and mother, Rachel any chance he

got; going to Mom's for breakfast all the time and then after her passing taking food to Dad almost every day.

Mike Burro met Patty when they were very young. Even as a young teenage boy, he treated Patty's family like they were his own. He loved Granny, Patty's mom like she was his second mother. Mike Burro and Patty had a daughter, Christina, who went to heaven soon after being born. Mike and Patty were married for 42 years because burros love with all of their hearts. They eventually had another daughter, Leslie (who recently married Victor, Mike's new son-in-law). Then after having Leslie, they had Mikey and Jojo. Life wasn't always easy, but somehow Mike Burro and Patty figured out how to make things work. Mike Burro worked as a truck driver with Uresti Son's Trucking, owned a tire shop Texas Tire Empire, and of course the famous Burroland during his lifetime, but his favorite job of all was being Ashley's grandpa.

Aside from his immediate family, Mike Burro was survived by his six brothers: Albert and wife, Elsie; Sammy; Tommy and wife, Leslie; Danny and wife, Bonnie; Charlie; Larry; and his sister, Anna Marie. He also had numerous nieces and nephews to whom he impacted throughout their lives whether it be helping them out financially or scaring them with his stories about Three Fingered Willie. Mike Burro's love for his family was indestructible, and he would not rest until he was able to say his goodbyes to all of them.

Mike Burro was called home on August 27, 2021. On that day, Mike Burros' friend, Andrew came by minutes before he passed away with something that looked like the Virgin Mary. Andrew said that he saw it while he was walking down the street and that he needed to bring it to Mike before he passed. Mike Burro was shown the image of the Virgin Mary, and his daughter, Leslie told him that she was here to guide him home. He saw her, took his last breath, and left the earth at that moment.

Some people say that when the Virgin Mary was about to give birth to Jesus, she rode a donkey for days to get to Bethlehem, and she loved her donkey so much that she kept him as a pet. Mike Burro was a stubborn man and didn't

want to let go, but just like the donkey helped the Virgin Mary get to Bethlehem, she helped Mike Burro find his way home.

Visitation will be Friday, September 17, 2021 from 5:30 to 8:00 p.m. at Mission Park Funeral Chapels South. Funeral Service will take place on Saturday, September 18, 2021 at 11:00 a.m. Interment to follow at San Jose Burial Park South.

Cemetery Details

San Jose Burial Park

8235 Mission RD
San Antonio, TX 78214
(210) 923-0272
<https://www.missionparks.com/>

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 17. 5:30 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Mission Park Funeral Chapels South, Cemeteries & Crematories
1700 SE Military Dr
San Antonio, TX 78214
(210) 924-4242
<https://www.missionparks.com/>

Prayer Service

SEP 17. 6:30 PM (CT)

Mission Park Funeral Chapels South, Cemeteries & Crematories
1700 SE Military Dr
San Antonio, TX 78214
(210) 924-4242
<https://www.missionparks.com/>

Funeral Service

SEP 18. 11:00 AM (CT)

Mission Park Funeral Chapels South, Cemeteries & Crematories
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San Antonio, TX 78214
(210) 924-4242
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Interment

SEP 18 (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *He was a real asshole. Everybody thought so.* ”

Butt - September 16, 2025 at 11:50 AM



“ *Basket Full of Wishes was purchased for the family of Michael Uresti.* ”



September 17, 2021 at 03:45 PM



“ *Rick Martinez lit a candle in memory of Michael Uresti* ”



Rick Martinez - September 17, 2021 at 01:42 PM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Michael Uresti.* ”



September 17, 2021 at 11:27 AM



“ *Garden Wreath was purchased for the family of Michael Uresti.*



September 16, 2021 at 11:31 PM



“ *Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Michael Uresti.*



September 16, 2021 at 11:02 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Michael Uresti.*



September 15, 2021 at 10:05 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Michael Uresti.*



September 15, 2021 at 08:22 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Michael Uresti.



September 15, 2021 at 06:00 PM



“ *Crystal Cross Bouquet* was purchased for the family of Michael Uresti.



September 15, 2021 at 12:59 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Michael Uresti.



September 14, 2021 at 10:42 PM



“ *I remember Mike since he was kid and would chase him (along with his brothers) around the back house in Pico Rivera, he would always like to challenge me to catch him with that huge smile of his. Later in life, whenever I visited SA we'd always hook up, whether at Burroland, his backyard, laughing and such and Burro always wondering how I conversed with others who only spoke spanish for hours.*

John Porter - September 11, 2021 at 01:23 PM

LU

Miss you so much Burro! You were my best friend.

Lorenzo Uresti - August 19, 2023 at 06:33 PM

LU

“ *Big Mike! Mike Burro! Reefer Roller! No matter what do you called him, he will always be known as the baddest dude ever!*

Larry Uresti - September 01, 2021 at 12:47 PM

SA

Mike loved his cows, one got out in storm. We went hunting it in small car and he refused to leave it. We tried pulling with a rope along side car. Finally Mike's great idea load him up. So we did, in the car. We happily laughed all the way back to Lytle.

Sam - September 02, 2021 at 02:05 PM

SA

I love my brother Mike so many memories.

Sam - September 02, 2021 at 02:07 PM

PL

I met Mike 39 years ago at sunkin gardens theater. He was always a character. Of course who can forget all the fun times at Burro Land. Do your crazy dance in heaven Burro.

Patty Ledon - September 02, 2021 at 06:19 PM