Mike Cicansky Tools for the Trades Memorial Scholarship



Frederick "Mike" Michael Alan Cicansky passed away in his home surrounded by loved ones on September 11th, 2022. He was diagnosed with stage IV pancreatic cancer in July, and fought valiantly though it ultimately could not be slowed. Mike was born in Regina, Saskatchewan, on April 28th, 1964. He graduated from Benzie Central High School. Married his highschool sweetheart, Hope, on April 16, 1988, and had two children, Britta and Victor. Mike worked at Nye Plumbing and Heating for over 25 years, until his diagnosis. Mike earned a journeyman plumber's license and kept up with continuing education to stay current in his trade

practice. Beyond his mechanical ability Mike had an unparalleled way of earning trust and forming relationships with the people he served. An amazing trade person with exceptional people skills. His greatest pride was his family, nothing brought him more joy than spending time with them and recognizing their accomplishments. Mike spent his time on his property riding his UTV with his family and building their dream home with his wife, Hope. He loved hunting and snowmobiling with his son, enjoying the great outdoors with his granddaughter, and going on nature walks with his daughter. Some of his greatest memories were traveling with his family, to places such as Disney World, Hawaii, and Yellowstone. Mike is missed tremendously and will be remembered by all who knew him for his love of family, the outdoors, work ethic, and sense of humor.

This scholarship is open to 2023 BCHS students planning to pursue a career, education, or licensing in the trades, including: building, electrical, HVAC, masonry, painting, plumbing, or welding.

Applicant Name:

In an attached document, please answer the following:

- 1) What trade do you hope to pursue in the future and where do you hope to be in your career in three years (100 words max)?
- 2) Please tell us a hobby you are passionate about (100 words max).
- 3) If selected, how do you plan to use this scholarship money (100 words max)?
- 4) Why do you think trades are important to our community? (100 words max)