



Robert 'Mack' Bentley III

October 17, 1952 - March 21, 2023

Robert (Mack) Bentley of Houston, Texas went to be with the Lord on March 21, 2023, at 2:30 PM. Mack was with his wife Becky at the time of his passing. Mack was born in Memphis, Tennessee to Bob and Grace Bentley on October 17, 1952. At the age of two, his family was transferred to Kingsport, Tennessee. Bob Bentley was an executive with the Boy Scouts of America and Mack and his brothers Don and Kirk were raised in the traditions of the Boy Scouts learning to excel in wood lore, fishing, camping, and hunting. Mack loved to share his knowledge of the outdoors with others and including his friends in backwoods adventures, snow skiing trips and other adventures all over North America, the Caribbean and Central America.

The Bentley family moved to Canyon, Texas when Mack was a senior in high school. Mack's outgoing personality helped him make this difficult adjustment and he established new relationships, many of which lasted throughout his life. Mack put himself through West Texas State University working as a waiter and working with the Texas State Center for Human Development. Mack was well-read and had a gift for being able to start up a conversation with anyone he met and within a few minutes they would be laughing together. His ability to relate to people on a personal level, and his scouting experience, were an asset to him while working with the patients at the State School. Though he had no formal training in working with impaired individuals, he made the "kids" feel special and helped them to cope with their challenges.

Mack met his wife Becky of Enid, Oklahoma while working as a waiter at the

Cross Timbers Restaurant in Amarillo, Texas. She was a customer and Mack was so taken with her he asked for her number. The rest is history. Mack and Becky went on to have three children Paige, Drew, and Winston. The couple recently celebrated their 45th wedding anniversary.

After college, Mack took a job as a Field Representative selling oil field equipment in East Texas. He excelled in sales and worked his way up to international oilfield equipment sales and moved to Houston, Texas.

Mack made a career change in the 1990's and took a job as a personnel recruiter for an international placement company. He and Becky eventually started their own personnel placement company, Bentley Group International. Mack placed oilfield professionals and technicians around the world.

Throughout his life Mack sought to meld together providing for his family, helping others to reach their potential, and having as much fun as possible along the way.

Mack and Becky have been members of the Foundry Church of Houston, Texas for forty years.

Mack is survived by his wife Becky Bentley, his mother Grace Bentley, daughter Paige Williams, son-in-law Dillon Williams, grandson Dean Williams, son Drew Bentley, daughter-in-law, Cassie Bentley, granddaughter Aubree Bentley, son Winston Bentley, brother Kirk Bentley, sister-in-law Elizabeth Bentley, nephews Rives, Micah, and Aiden Bentley.

The Celebration of life will be held at:

Foundry Church

8350 Jones Road Houston, TX

on April 20, 2023 at 11:00 AM.

The family requests that in lieu flowers, donations be made to the Michael J. Fox Foundation for Parkinson's Research www.michaeljfox.org/donate

Tribute Wall

RZ

“ Just heard about Mack's departure now. My prayers are with you, Becky and I fondly remember our meals and laughter together. Mack helped me so much in my (and my family's life) and I will ever be grateful for what he did for me. A wonderful man, and a wonderful memory.



Robert Ziegler - November 08, 2023 at 07:38 AM

JH

“ Mack had a unique caution when it comes to sharks. We always laughed about Shark week on TV. Yet Mack and Becky took up scuba diving. What wonderful diving and fishing memories!! We laughed about his inability to submerge. I loaded him with weights. I didn't realize he would dump his BC air and sink like a rock. Thank goodness he was ok. Scary moments but hours and hours of laughs! You'll be greatly missed Mack!! Hopefully there are no Sharks in Heaven. God Speed my friend! John Hoffman 🙏

John Hoffman - April 20, 2023 at 01:10 AM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Robert 'Mack' Bentley III.



April 20, 2023 at 01:02 AM

FF

“ *From Your Core Group Resources Family purchased the Gracious Lavender Basket for the family of Robert 'Mack' Bentley III.*



From Your Core Group Resources Family - April 19, 2023 at 11:12 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Robert 'Mack' Bentley III.*



April 19, 2023 at 06:42 PM

CD

“ *Chan and Lyn Daigle purchased the Basket of Memories for the family of Robert 'Mack' Bentley III.*



Chan and Lyn Daigle - April 18, 2023 at 07:55 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Robert 'Mack' Bentley III.*



April 18, 2023 at 10:09 AM

CT

“ *Cyndi Quian & COF Preschool Teachers purchased the Crystal Cross Bouquet for the family of Robert 'Mack' Bentley III.*



Cyndi Quian & COF Preschool Teachers - April 18, 2023 at 08:30 AM

RP

“ *So sorry to hear this! Prayers for Becky, Paige Drew , Winston and the rest of Mack's family. I know Ben would want to send the same but it is very difficult for him to communicate anymore. Please know we are both thinking of you*

Rhonda Edminster Pearce - April 14, 2023 at 10:32 AM

EM

“ In february 1997 I arrived in Houston from Europe in a leading position in an oil field services company that was building a new organisation with "non-traditional" skill-sets. I quickly met Mack with his characteristic personal style. He admitted that he did not know enough about those skill sets and terminology but that he would learn fast and deliver only top quality. He took the time to sit down with me to quickly learn what was required. We spent many hours together, and I truly enjoyed "educating" him as his style of working was so different from all his peers.

In no time we became friends, and he truly helped me (and later my family) to settle in the US. We had numerous meals together where (serious) work was mixed with life in Houston, my funny accent and "strange" habits, etc. We laughed out loud, and still many restaurant managers should remember us.

Mack had an unmatched ability to relate to people, and read organisations top to bottom. His professional network in our industry was truly impressive. No wonder why he became so successful, and always in his typical personal and open style.

Mack invited me to ski-trips, we went hunting, and I joined him fishing offshore. The families got together, and we spent many great hours at many different locations.

His wife Becky and his children were always number 1. Mack's principles and loyalty in life were very clear. A proud man who loved his family.

After my departure from the US we stayed in touch of course, and we met again at my business visits to Houston.

All in all, Mack was not only a great friend but also a pillar during our long period in the US, someone I could always rely on.

I miss him, and cannot believe that I won't hear his laugh any more. My feelings are with Becky and her children. Mack, rest in peace.

Evert MULDER

Evert MULDER - April 12, 2023 at 01:06 PM

MM

“ Having grown up in the home of a Boy Scout executive, Mack would have been very familiar with these words, which comprise the Boy Scout Law : “Trustworthy, loyal, helpful, friendly, courteous, kind, obedient, cheerful, thrifty, brave, clean and reverent.” But even more than a saying, these words impacted Mack’s character, and he exhibited these traits in all aspects of his life. His love for the outdoors and appetite for adventure were unsurpassed, except by his love for family, God and country. He was a great friend and colleague, and will be sorely missed.
Mike Morrison

Mike Morrison - April 11, 2023 at 04:58 PM

GH

“ I am grateful to have called Mack “my friend” of many years. He and I shared many good meals and adventures fishing, hunting 4-wheeling and skiing. Mack had the “gift of gab” and was one of the best story-tellers I have ever met. He loved Becky, his children and family immensely. I am thankful to have been with him on his last duck hunting trip where I took the photo of Mack selected for this site. That photo captures how much Mack enjoyed the outdoors and being with friends and family. I will miss my good friend, Mack Bentley.

Gary Henderson - April 08, 2023 at 05:30 PM