



## Mitchell James "Squid" Coats

January 27, 1958 - February 9, 2026

Mitchell James "Squid" Coats, 68, passed away early on the morning of February 9, 2026, after a long and courageous battle with cancer, surrounded by his loving family in Soso, Mississippi.

Born on January 27, 1958, in Soso, Mississippi, Mitchell graduated with the Class of 1976 from West Jones High School. A true jack of all trades, he was especially known for his more than 30 years as a dedicated truck driver. He took pride in his work and the life he built through hard work and determination. He proudly served in the National Guard, demonstrating his commitment to service and country.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Maxwell and Laura Coats, and his first wife, Talessia.

He is survived by his devoted wife, Charlene Beaubouef Coats, and his stepchildren and grandchildren: Christy Sanders and her husband, Jason, and their children, Miracle and Draven; Rick Carpenter and his wife, Tricia Sizemore, and their son Wyatt; and AJ Harris and his wife, Melissa, and their son, Wyatt.

A memorial service will be held on April 11, 2026, at 11:00 a.m. at Strong Tower Worship Center, 40 Hal Crocker Road, Ellisville, Mississippi, followed

by a graveside service.

The family respectfully requests no flowers; however, donations are welcome.

Mitchell was a simple, kind-hearted man with a quick wit and a generous spirit. He loved being outdoors, working his land, and riding horses. A devoted animal lover, he found joy in caring for the animals around him and embraced the quiet beauty of country life. He never hesitated to lend a hand, share a laugh, or brighten someone's day. Everyone who knew him has a story to tell, and he leaves behind a legacy of love, hard work, and cherished memories. He will be deeply missed by all who loved him.

To view or sign the online guest book, visit [www.memorychapellaurel.com](http://www.memorychapellaurel.com).

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

APR 11. 11:00 AM (CT)

Strong Tower Worship Center  
40 Hal Crocker Road  
Ellisville, MS 39437