



Funeral Service

**Countryside Covenant Church
McPherson, Kansas
Tuesday, June 11, 2024, at 1:00 PM**

Officiant

Rev. Jon Black

Tribute

Daniel Hawkins

Service Music

Emil Bergquist and Willie Dove, vocalists

Casket Bearers

**Jesse Brunk ~ Bob Huff ~ Ryan Paluck
Joe Seiwert ~ Richard Wilborn ~ Clay Meininger**

Ushers

**Kent Latimer ~ Steve Hamilton
Patrick Penn ~ Will Carpenter**

Final Resting Place

**McPherson Cemetery
*McPherson Police Honor Guard***

Memorial Donations

The family suggests that memorial donations be made to Kansans for Life, McPherson Opera House, or STEP MC in care of Stockham Family Funeral Home, 205 North Chestnut, McPherson, KS 67460.

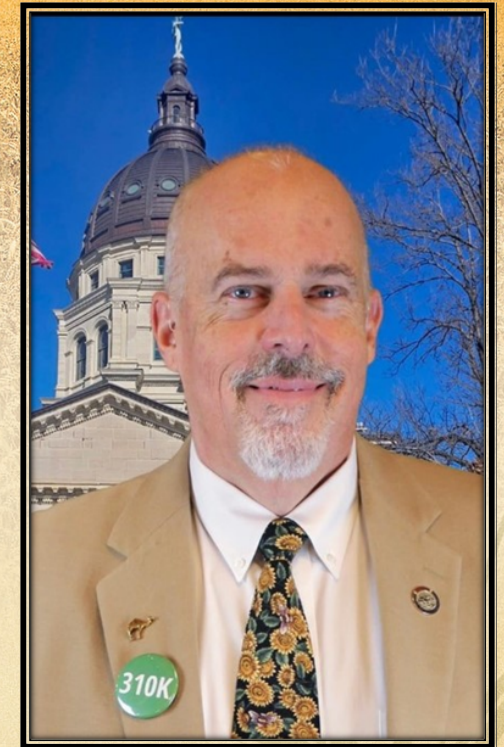
Appreciation & Reception

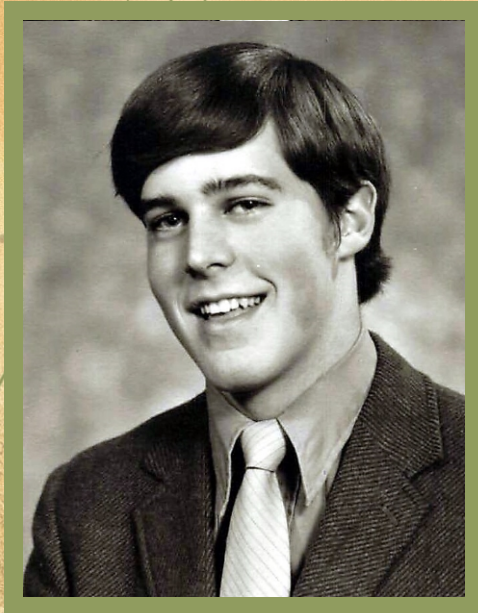
The Mason family wishes to express sincere appreciation for your prayers and kindness, evidenced in thought and deed, and for your presence at this service.

Following the graveside service, all are welcome back to the church for refreshments and fellowship.

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***In Loving Memory
Leslie "Les" R. Mason
October 11, 1954 - June 3, 2024***





A Celebration of Life
Leslie "Les" Ray Mason
October 11, 1954 - June 3, 2024

State Representative Leslie "Les" Ray Mason of McPherson, Kansas died Monday, June 3, 2024 at Wesley Medical Center, Wichita at the age of 69.

Les was born on October 11, 1954, in Colorado Springs, Colorado. His parents, Gertrude and Reverend Floyd Mason, moved to Nebraska and later McPherson, Kansas where Les spent most of his childhood.

Les was a graduate of McPherson High School in 1972 and Central Christian College of McPherson in 1974 with a degree in business and marketing. He married Kala Ann Archer on April 3, 1976. They had 3 children, Christopher, Jennifer, and Angela. He initially worked at Green's Furniture in McPherson and later for W.R. Mill in McPherson as a sales manager. He left WR Mill to start a home-based business, Mason Marketing. This later became The Old Muffin Factory. The company made muffin and pancake mixes that were shipped all over the country. Les and Kala operated a retail store, The Old Muffin Factory, in McPherson for several years. The store closed in 2008 as they transitioned back to shipping the mixes before their retirement in 2018 due to Kala's cancer. Les and Kala were married for 44 years before Kala lost her battle with cancer in April 2020.

Les met Victoria Runco Paluck in 2020, and they were married on September 3, 2022. The two loved to travel together and spend time in McPherson and Topeka, Kansas, Castle Rock CO and Scottsdale, Arizona. They had the

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opportunity to travel to Taiwan together with other members of the Kansas legislature in October 2023. They also enjoyed spending time with friends and family and camping at Kanopolis Lake. They especially enjoyed spending time with the grandchildren and attending their school and sport activities.

Les has been active in the McPherson community as a member of the Kiwanis Club in McPherson, Chamber of Commerce, and the United Way Board. Les was a member of Dick Nichols' campaign for Congress in 1990. Les has been a Republican member of the Kansas House of Representatives for the 73rd district since 2014. He has served many roles in the House, most recently as Mentor of Freshman members of the House, the House Assistant Majority Leader, and Chair of the Social Services Budget Committee.

He is preceded in death by his late wife, Kala Mason. He is survived by his wife Victoria, his son Christopher (wife Brooke, son Cole) of Hutchinson, KS, daughter Jennifer of McPherson, KS and daughter Angela Brunk (husband Jesse, daughter Danica) of McPherson, KS; Stepson Ryan Paluck (wife Kyla, sons Korbin and Kash). He is also survived by his brother David Mason (wife Peggie).