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Mike Wheeler

Mike Wheeler, 55, of Paradise died Saturday, Oct. 6, 2018.

Funeral is 2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 13, at the First Baptist Church in Cottondale with burial to follow at Cottondale Cemetery.

Jones Family Funeral Home in Decatur is handling arrangements.

Mike was born Sept. 6, 1963, in Oklahoma City to George and Sharon Wheeler. He grew up in Mustang, Okla., where he graduated high school. Mike spent many summers on Lake Texoma camping and fishing with family and friends.

He married Nancy Blickensderfer Nov. 21, 1981, in Oklahoma City. He served in the Navy on the USS Eisenhower where he was in aircraft ordinance. He was a member of the First Baptist Church in Cottondale where he served as a deacon and was an avid drag car builder and racer. He was a lifetime aircraft mechanic and spent most of his working years at American Airlines.

Mike is survived by his wife of 36 years, Nancy Wheeler of Paradise; son Justin Wheeler and wife, Meghan, of Albuquerque, N.M.; daughter Amanda Gentry and husband, Dillon, of Cottondale; his parents, of Kingston, Okla.; four grandchildren; and sisters Lori Wheeler of Edmond, Okla., and Hallie Burt and husband, Jim, of Kingston.