



Mr Wentzel Laron Mitchell

June 21, 1973 - May 26, 2021

Wentzel Laron Mitchell was born June 21, 1973, in Lexington, Kentucky, the son of Ms. Thelma Mitchell. He passed away on Wednesday, May 19, 2021.

Wentzel received his primary education from Fayette County Public Schools and was a graduate of Lafayette High School.

He earned his Bachelor's degree in Biological Sciences and his Master's degree in Public Health, both from the University of Kentucky. He conducted research in the west African country of Ghana on onchocerciasis, the tropical disease better known as 'river blindness.'

He began his career as a civilian health scientist with the U.S. Army supporting military operations and humanitarian missions around the world. After the completion of that assignment, he transferred to the U.S. Department of Agriculture in Washington, D.C. There he managed a \$200 million international food aid grant that was used to support orphans, vulnerable children and communities in developing countries.

He was most recently employed by the Center of Disease Control and Prevention in Atlanta, Georgia. At the CDC, Wentzel took great delight in his research of epidemiology, the cornerstone of public health.

He was a member of Consolidated Baptist Church.

He was preceded in death by his grandmother, Irene Mitchell.

Besides his mother, Wentzel Mitchell is survived by his brother, Rico Mitchell; two aunts, Mary Ely and Deborah Mitchell; two uncles, Bruce Ely and Ronald Mitchell; and a host of cousins and longtime friends

Cemetery Details

Highland Cemetery

229 Lisle Industrial Ave
Lexington, KY 40511

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 5. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Unity Worship Center
1975 Haggard Ct
Lexington, KY 40511

Service

JUN 5. 2:00 PM - 3:30 PM (ET)

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