

Father Deacon Michael James Miles Obituary

Services will be held at 10:30 A.M. Thursday, March 5, 2026 in the Holy Apostles Orthodox Church, 15701 S. Peoria, Bixby, OK officiated by Archimandrite Calinic Berger, Father Mark Wallace and Father Ambrose Arrington. Interment will follow in the Holy Apostles Church Cemetery.

Father Deacon Michael James Miles

June 28, 1945 - March 1, 2026

Michael James Miles, 80, passed away peacefully on March 1, 2026.

Born on June 28, 1945 in Ontonagon, Michigan, Michael was a devoted husband, father and grandfather who lived a life marked by quiet strength, steady faith and deep love for his family. He was ordained as a deacon of the church on July 17, 2005.

He is survived by his beloved wife, Vivian Miles, his children, Melissa and Ruston Miles and his cherished grandson, Grayson.

TO THE CREATOR

O Infinite Creator, in soul I bow before You.

When I speak Your Name I diminish You:

With my every thought I diminish You.

What is the mind able to think before the open sea of Your spaciousness?

What can the tongue say when it must remain silent

Before Your awesome mountains and chasms

Before Your immeasurable height and width,

Before Your plains, slopes, depths and distance

And nearness, O God, O yes, even nearness!

And still more miraculous, Your humble lowliness,

You, as a man, did lower Yourself to our lowliness,

Did lower and constrain Yourself into a mortal valley,

That You might raise the valley to the heavenly firmament,

And make worn-out creation new.

Of all Your qualities, Your lowliness

Halts my thought. You bind my lips!

What can I think, what can I say

About the hungry, thirsty and crucified God?

What can I say to You, O Thou Most-rich,

Who, because of me, became the poorest One?

Let the tongue keep silent, let tears speak:

Save, in Your mercy what Your thought has created.