

Mike Reid Memorial Softball Tournament in its 29th year



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The 29th annual Mike Reid Memorial Softball Tournament will run from Aug. 8-11 at Greenfield Park's Pierre Laporte Park on the South Shore of Montreal.



The tournament raises money for the [Mackay Centre School](#), where Reid was a student while battling Duchennes muscular dystrophy. On June 12, 1984, the day Mike was supposed to graduate, he died peacefully at the Montreal Children's Hospital while surrounded by his family and close friends. He was 20 years old.



Wade Wilson, the head of the tournament's organizing committee, told me they're hoping to surpass \$1 million raised at next year's 30th annual tournament.



Reid's father, Frank, who was always a fixture at the tournament, died in May 2012 but his memory will live on at the tournament along with Mike's. Below is a column I wrote back in 1998 after sitting down with Frank and learning more about his son:

(Photo courtesy of Reid family)