



Michael Edward O'Hare

August 4, 1950 - January 4, 2022

Michael Edward O'Hare was born in Joliet Illinois on August 4, 1950 to Robert James O'Hare and Wilma Lorraine(Neal) O'Hare.

During his school years he attended schools in Joliet, Braidwood and Coal City. Mike loved sports, playing basketball and baseball.

After school Mike moved to Rantoul Illinois where he worked at Vetter Fairings with many of his friends. Mike then enlisted in the army serving four years.

After the army, Mike moved to Pontiac then to Dwight Illinois. Mike worked as a chef at local restaurants, most notably the Country Mansion.

Mike loved all genres of music, attending more than 150 concerts in the 70s, 80s and 90s. He regularly attended the Chicago Blues Fest. He also never missed the Kankakee boat races . Mike was a lifelong Chicago sports fan. Sundays were always spent with family or friends watching Chicago Bears games.

Mike moved to Greeley Colorado in 2002. He continued his career as a chef at the University of Northern Colorado until his retirement in 2018.

Mike is survived by his sisters Connie (Ron) of Flanagan Illinois, Nancy Gilliam Fort Collins Colorado, Linda (Dan) Louis Greeley Colorado, Bob (Toni) O'Hare, Becky (Steve) Daly, Jacquie Furlano and Kelly (LaJuana) O'Hare

Mexia Texas, Many nieces and nephews, cousins and special friends Mark and Linda Olson, Mark Louis, and Jan and Sandy at UNC.

Mike's favorite mantra was "Life Is Good". Mike died as he lived happy and peacefully. He was gentle and kind, always helping anyone who needed it. He will always be remembered as "Mikey" to those who loved him most and will be greatly missed by those who knew him.

Tribute Wall

PA

“ I dated Mike in Joliet & stayed with him at Ft. Lenard wood ,Missouri During his army stay. So sorry such a sweet heart. I do believe left my high school ring with him, Joliet West ring.

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Rip. Mike ❤️

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JR

“ I loved him

Jennifer Rodriquez - April 09, 2022 at 11:37 PM

VA

“ Linda and family, I am so very sorry for your loss, Mike was a wonderful person, my prayers are with you all. Valerie (Louis) Pilgreen

Valerie - January 12, 2022 at 07:01 AM

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“ When he worked at Cabin for short time , Jimmie's dad and i hung out with him. Great person

KarenGourley - January 11, 2022 at 11:11 PM