



Michael John Grayson

August 18, 1942 - March 2, 2022

Michael J. Grayson, age 79, passed way Wednesday, March 2, 2022. He was born in Racine, WI, August 18, 1942, son of Edwin and Kathryn (nee McNelty) Grayson. He married the love of his life, Ruth Ann Luxem, on September 22, 1962.

Mike graduated from Washington Park High School in 1960. He started his career in computer programming and systems analysis at J. I. Case and continued at Twin Disc, American Motors, Massey Ferguson, and Case New Holland. He was crew lead at Metro Milwaukee Auto Auction after retirement just for fun.

Mike was a volunteer with Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, and Salmon Unlimited. He enjoyed many years fishing on Lake Michigan, bowling, playing cards, putting everything possible into spreadsheets, and spoiling his grandchildren.

Mike received the gift of life through a kidney donation in 1995 that gave him another 27 years with this family and friends. In his memory, please consider registering to be an organ donor at www.donatelife.net.

Mike was preceded in death by his wife, Ruth Ann. He will be greatly missed by his children: Kathryn (David) Bartel, Steven (Laura) Grayson, Donald Grayson; grandchildren: Marc and Sydney Bartel, Valerie and Trevor Grayson,

and Jacki Grayson; brother, Patrick (Bonnie) Grayson; cousin, Phyllis Meredith; in-laws: Linda (Randy) Feest, Earl Born, Sandra (Allen) Jensen, Peter (Karen) Luxem, and Heidi Kappa; and many nieces, nephews, and special friends.

Visitation will take place at Wilson Funeral Home on Thursday, March 10, 2022, from 2:30 PM until 4:30 PM until the Celebration of Life at 4:30 PM. The family requests those attending to wear masks. To share online condolences and memories of Mike, please visit www.wilsonfuneralhomeinc.com.

In lieu of flowers, donations in his memory may be made to Big Sisters of Greater Racine – Ruth Ann Grayson Enrichment Fund, 840 Lake Ave Ste 250, Racine, WI 53403, or the PKD Foundation, P.O. Box 871847, Kansas City, MO 64187, or to a charity of your choosing.

The family would like to thank the staff of Parkview Gardens and Kindred Hospice for their loving care and kindness.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 10. 2:30 PM - 4:30 PM (CT)

Wilson Funeral Home - Racine
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Celebration of Life

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Tribute Wall



“ 129 files added to the album LifeTributes



Wilson Funeral Home - March 10, 2022 at 02:43 PM

DK

“ 🌸 To the family I will not be attending today, & I give my condolences.

Mike Grayson I will always remember you 🙏. You taught me how to fish and not let go of the fishing pole 🎣. I remember many moments shared with your family, but one that will always be a treasure to me is when you took me fishing, & I caught the biggest fish I'd ever caught. You kept me so focused, although my hands hurt to wheeling that baby in 🤔; I felt like I pulled in Moby Dick 🐋. You will be so missed by many, especially your children Kathey, Steven, & Don(all your grandchildren, & loved ones) Tell Rootie I said I love her!

Diana Kelly - March 10, 2022 at 12:37 PM

GC

“ Childhood neighbor and friends, the entire Grayson family always brings joy to my heart. Mike always made time for conversation with an open ear, smile, and a joke or two. Observing his side job to become his radio handle (side job) on his beloved fishing boat. His passion to search lake Michigan for salmon and joy of freedom inspires each day. Blessings to all.

Glen Creuziger - March 10, 2022 at 10:42 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Michael John Grayson.



March 10, 2022 at 08:49 AM



“ I was very sorry to hear of Mike's passing. My parents lived around the corner from Mike and Ruth Ann. When I go to their house to play with Kathy, Mike and Ruth Ann were always warm and welcoming. They were kind to my dad as well in his later years when he was widowed. Deepest condolences to Kathy, Steve, and Don.

Julie Jacob

Julie Jacob - March 09, 2022 at 04:28 PM

JF

“ John Finke purchased the Simply Elegant Spathi phyllum for the family of Michael John Grayson.



John Finke - March 09, 2022 at 01:36 PM

JA

“ Sorry to hear of the loss to your family. Mike was a good friend and coworker at CNH for many years. I always enjoyed talking to Mike and he was a pleasure to work with.

Jerry Adams

Jerome Adams - March 09, 2022 at 10:26 AM

SM

“ I spent many many days at Uncle Mike & Aunt Rootie's house (both my Godparents) when I was little. As an adult, I only lived one block away and would visit on a weekly basis. Uncle Mike was always happy to see me and would say "how's it going Sally from the Alley". Recently he was in the same memory care as my dad, so I would get to see him there as well -- he always said the same thing. Sending love to all my cousins -- Uncle Mike will be missed by so many.

Sally McReynolds - March 08, 2022 at 03:25 PM