



Michael J. "Mike" Kledzik

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Michael "Mike" J. Kledzik, 71, of Tavares, passed away October 30, 2014, surrounded by his loving wife and three children.

Mike was born in Melvindale, Michigan on December 10, 1942. At the age of six he moved to the Orlando area with his parents and nine siblings. In 1960 Mike graduated Bishop Moore High School and continued on to honorably serve in the United States Air Force.

Mike's radiant personality and unmatched work ethic cultivated his 44 years of success in the wine and spirits industry. His clients enjoyed his depth of knowledge and contagious laugh. He dedicated 20 years to PRP Wines International and was a well-respected senior member of the sales team. Mike was devoted to the community as evidenced by his many acts of volunteerism throughout his life. He was notable for his partnership with The Mission Inn Golf Resort & Club to support the Florida Junior Golf Auction for 30 years.

Mike loved to be outdoors, whether it was boating, golfing or gardening. His favorite hobby was fishing. He was happiest at the water's edge. Mike was best known for his joyful spirit, tender heart and kind soul. He was a loving, devoted father and family man.

Mike is preceded in death by parents Tadeusz and Martha (Kubisak); and siblings Dorothy (Ogdie), Loretta (Meifert), Robert, Eugene, William and Joseph.

Mike is survived by his loving wife Bonnie; children, Shannon Phillips and husband David, David Kledzik and wife Christine, Mandy Cooke and husband Jeremy; 10 grandchildren; siblings Georgia Bender and husband Paul, Thaddeus Kledzik and wife Denise, Martin Kledzik and wife Margaret; many nieces, nephews and numerous close friends.

To celebrate Mike's life a visitation for friends and family will be held Monday, November 10th between 5:00 and 7:00 pm at the Steverson, Hamlin and Hilbish Funeral Home, 226 East Burleigh Boulevard (441), Tavares, Florida 32778. A Mass will be held Tuesday, November 11th at 8:30 am at Saint Paul's Catholic Church located at 1330 Sunshine Avenue, Leesburg, Florida,



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34748, followed by the Committal Service with Military Honors at Lakeside Memory Gardens at 11:30 am located at 36601 County Road 19A, Eustis, Florida 32726.

In lieu of flowers, the family is requesting that donations be made to Cornerstone Hospice Foundation, 2445 Lane Park Road, Tavares, Florida 32778, www.cshospice.org (352) 742-6819.

Condolences, memories, photos and videos may be shared on the tribute wall.



Events


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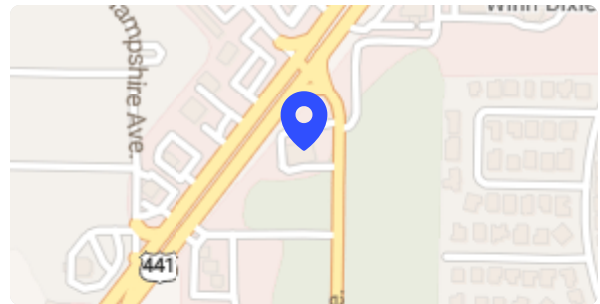
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Gathering of Family and Friends

 **Monday**, November 10, 2014


 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM ET


 **Steverson, Hamlin & Hilbish Chapel**
226 E. Burleigh Boulevard, Tavares FL 32778



Mass of the Resurrection

 **Tuesday**, November 11, 2014


 8:30 AM ET


 **St. Paul's Catholic Church**
1330 Sunshine Avenue, Leesburg FL 34748

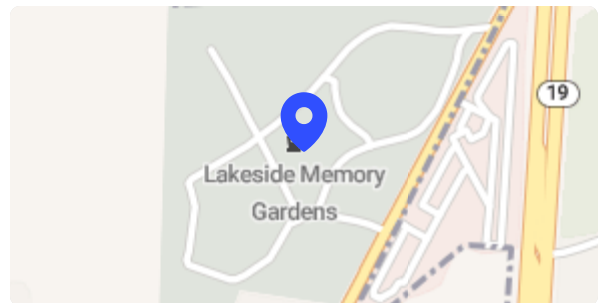


Committal Ceremony

 **Tuesday**, November 11, 2014

 11:30 AM ET

 **Lakeside Memory Gardens**
36601 County Rd 19A, Eustis FL 32778





Tribute Wall

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Steverson, Hamlin & Hilbish Funerals Andcremations shared a **Tribute Video**.

November 5 at 6:27 AM



Anonymous sent a Blue & White Sympathy Floor Basket to the Kledzik family.

November 8 at 1:10 PM



Anonymous sent a Blue & White Sympathy Floor Basket to the Kledzik family.

November 7 at 6:34 AM



Barbara Valis posted:

I knew Mike way back in high school. We shared many good times at the Orlando Youth Center with our friends Buddy and Sue. He would come rushing in from his job at the supermarket and light up the whole dance floor. I didn't know that he was ill and am so sad to learn that he is gone. The video is beautiful and shows so well how Mike was surrounded by a so many loving family members and friends. My condolences to all. Babs Boutchyard Valis

November 6 at 5:00 PM



Jennifer Brightman lit a candle in honor of Michael.

In memory of Mike. He was such a bright light to all of whom he surrounded himself with, especially his beautiful wife Bonnie. Being neighbors and a close friend of him and his family for years, we are constantly thinking of him and have him along with his family in our thoughts and prayers. Love Joan and Jennifer Brightman

November 6 at 1:35 PM





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MJ

Mark Joseph posted:

The enduring memory I have of going to Uncle Mikes house and being allowed to play in the creek with my cousins. Such a wonderful time in my life. Thank you Uncle Mike for letting us just have fun. I love you and have missed you! Mark Joseph son of Bill Kledzik

November 4 at 3:48 AM

KM

Kay & Don Mosure posted:

We knew Mike when he provided PRP Wines for several events in past years in The Villages. He was always a joy to work with and made ever event a fun experience. We just mentioned recently that we had not seen or heard about him for a long time. Our condolences to his family on the loss of a wonderful person. We will always remember the twinkle in his eye and his wonderful smile and personality. Mike and family will be in our prayers. Kay & Don Mosure The Villages, Florida

November 3 at 3:25 AM

CD

Charlotte Ramage Dunaway posted:

Condolences from Farlane Ramage and Charlotte Ramage Dunaway. We were neighbors of the Kledzik family from 1957.

November 1 at 10:44 AM

RV

Ron Schuring And Susan Vucic lit a candle in honor of Michael.

Michael was a fighter- he proved this every day of this last year. More importantly, he was a lover and he was loved. Michael and Bonnie were wonderful neighbors to us and it causes with such sorrow to see him go. We will remember the bright smiles, the hugs and the hearty laughter. God does not make mistakes. Mike is now at his side. We love you, Bonnie. Ron & Susan



November 1 at 9:49 AM

PC

Peggy Copare posted:

Bonnie, I am so sorry for your loss. Mike could fill a room with love and laughter like no other person I knew. Please know that you are in my thoughts and prayers as you go through your time of grief. Hugs, Peggy and Phil Copare

November 1 at 6:15 AM



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Debbie Kledzik Mceachron posted:

I'm one of those people who has a lot of memories from my childhood and one of the bigger, larger than life people in those memories is Uncle Mike. He would come to our house and excitement walked through the front door. We loved him! He was the cool uncle. He always came in with a big hug and a present and the gifts were always fun. I remember him bringing us Clackers to play with, something Mom and Dad would have never gotten for us! (Yes, I know I'm showing my age by talking about Clackers!) One time he brought each of us a plant to put on the window sill and told us that if we talked to it the plant would grow faster. And although I thought he might be playing a trick on us, I still talked to it. He also took us to Disney before it was officially opened to the public. It wasn't just the presents, the man I remember loved everyone around him. Mom used to tell a story about how he would take which ever one of us was crying as a baby and walk around the block for hours trying to comfort us. He was a man with a good heart. I'm sorry to hear that he's passed and I know that those of you closest to him will miss him dearly, but I take comfort in knowing that he'll be in Heaven with so many that have gone before him and that he'll be there keeping watch on the family and friends that are still here. Love, Debbie Kledzik McEachron

November 1 at 4:44 AM



Media

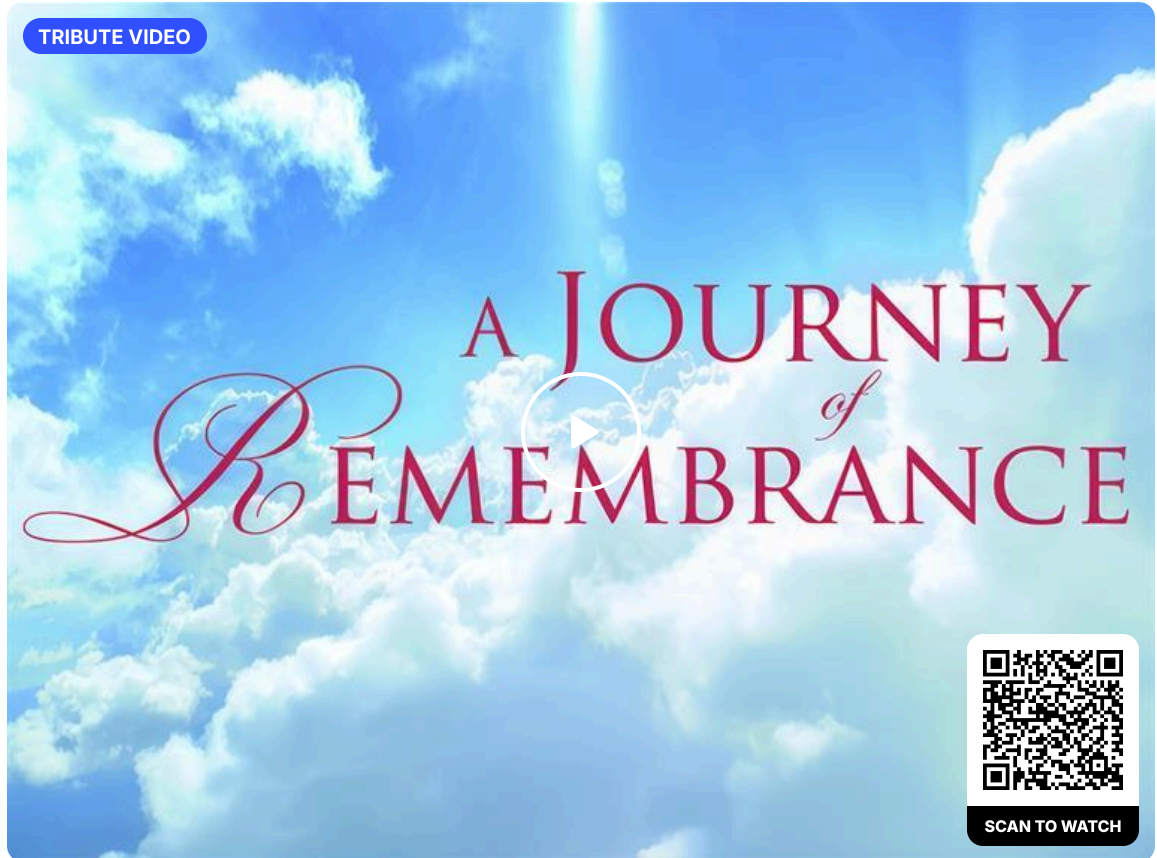
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Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Michael by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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