



## Michael L. Aiken

March 21, 1952 - July 13, 2023

In loving memory of Michael L. Aiken, born March 21, 1952. He is preceded in death by his parents, Robert and Marjorie Aiken, sister, Mary Beth Aiken Alvarado and son, Michael Christopher Aiken.

Michael went to be with his Lord on July 13, 2023. He passed peacefully at home with his loving family at his bedside.

He met his loving wife, Dorothy Aiken in 1998. He is survived by his children; Marjorie Aiken, Robert Valencia-Aiken and Thomas Smith, his four grandchildren; Alexis Aiken, Giovanni, Giulianna and Gianina Valencia-Aiken, all of whom he fiercely loved. He is also survived by his faithful, 4-legged companion, Ubu.

Mike's career included, service to his country in the United States Navy, as a medic, and he retired as a Chief Petty Officer, after 20 years of service.

Civilian life brought his expertise to the medical field, supporting physicians in various surgical and clinical roles.

Mike's personality was as big as his smile and love for life. He was passionate about many things, including golf, chess, cigars, Detroit sports teams and his beloved sci-fi fave, Star Trek. He was a self-professed snappy dresser, always ready with a one-liner or joke. Mike loved music and was a talented singer, with classic rock and ZZ Top among his favorites. Christmas was his favorite holiday, he loved dressing as Santa Claus and cheering up all those who were around him. He will be remembered as a loving husband, father an grandfather, a collector, a jokester and a friend. His legacy of faith, family and

service will remain in our hearts eternally.

A funeral mass will be held at St. John the Apostle Anglican Church, at 18401 Canal Road, Clinton Township, Michigan 48038, at 11:00am, Friday July 21, 2023.

Burial will take place at Great Lakes National Cemetery, with Military honors at a later date.

Arrangements in care of Jowett Funeral Home-57737 Gratiot, New Haven.

# Tribute Wall

DP

“ Mike was my brother-in-law. The Mike I knew enjoyed being with family, telling jokes (he really enjoyed the telling of the joke, more than any response it generated), and he liked a good meal. I rarely saw him upset - he was a positive person. One of my favorite memories of him was when my son was a toddler. Mike laid out on the carpet in our home and my son would freefall belly flop on top of him. Mike just giggled. I first thought it might hurt Mike but he pooh-poohed that concern. He welcomed it.

*I will miss him. He was a good guy with a kind heart. And a flare for fashion.*

*Dave Piner*

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**David Piner** - July 21, 2023 at 09:13 PM

JS

“ Hey Mike...I'll always remember the good times we had playing golf, playing Euchre, and dining at our favorite restaurant, Mexican Village. You were such a jokester! I imagine you and my Bob golfing now at that great golf course in the sky. No cheating!

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**Jan Stone** - July 20, 2023 at 02:16 PM

DP

“ RIP Mike. You put up a great fight to stay with Dorothy, Tom & the rest of your family. Anyone who ever met you will always remember your great smile. Hope you are enjoying your Ever Lasting Happiness of Heaven with all your friends & loved ones who left this world before you. Dolores

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**Dolores Piner** - July 18, 2023 at 05:28 PM

CS

“ My cuz..so fun loving. I remember when we are about 8 years old and he peed in the woods in front of me. We thought it was so funny our moms were upset when they found out 🤔🤔. He always cared and loved his family and friends.

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**cathy summers** - July 18, 2023 at 04:00 PM

WJ

“ Mike called Paul's voicemail and did about 4-5 presidential impressions for Paul's birthday. So awesome and funny. He was the best!!!

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**Wendy Lynne Jakey** - July 18, 2023 at 02:11 PM