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MICHAEL EDWARD QUINLAN

For Michael Edward Quinlan it was Sunrise on May 2, 1949 and it was Sunset on January 3, 2019. After a long and courageous battle with leukemia, Michael left this earth peacefully with his devoted wife and loving children by his side.

Son of Edward Martin Quinlan, Jr. and Barbara Alice (Weaver) Quinlan, Michael was born in Bridgeport, CT. Michael grew up in Fairfield, CT. He attended Northeastern University in Boston, MA where he received a B.S. degree in Civil Engineering in 1972. He attended the University of New Haven where he earned a Masters of Business in 1974.

Michael worked in the Prestressed-Concrete business his entire career of 47 years. He worked at Blakeslee in CT; Prestressed Concrete, Florida Mining and Materials, Stresscon, Gate Prestressed Concrete, and Coreslab Structures all in FL. He also worked at Gate Precast in NC. Michael served on numerous committees from 1976 through 2019 and was President of the Florida Prestressed Concrete Association. Nationally he served on several committees from 1982 through 2018 and was Chairman of the Prestressed Concrete Institute.

Michael was a member of the Lakeland South Rotary. He loved working with children especially when he coached youth sports in soccer, basketball and baseball.

Michael possessed a tireless intellectual curiosity and was an avid reader. In addition, he was an enthusiastic and competitive golfer, loved to hike and bicycle. He loved his family, his friends and his colleagues. A humble and patient man, Michael was also a hard worker, a generous provider, and brave in the face of all hardships and dangers. He believed that one should live their life to accomplish their goals and make your family proud. He was extremely loving, loyal and supportive of his family, both immediate and extended. He was an inspiration to many, and a hero to all he encountered. He was near and dear to so many hearts and will be deeply missed by



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all with whom he has touched. Michael may be gone from this earth, but he will FOREVER remain in our hearts.

Hearts with holes in them today include his loving, high school sweetheart, and caring wife, of over 47 years, Arlene Frances (Bognar) Quinlan who resides in Lakeland, FL, his son Darren Michael Quinlan of Atlanta, GA, his daughter Kelly Quinlan White (Clayton) of Bowling Green, KY and three grandsons, Ethan, Kane, and Chase, and a granddaughter, Macy whom he loved and cherished. Also, Michael leaves behind his brothers, Stephen Quinlan, Neil Quinlan (Phyllis), Danny Quinlan, and Gary Quinlan (Lisa) and many nephews and nieces, great-nephews, great-nieces and great-great nephews and nieces. Michael was preceded in death by his brother Edward Martin Quinlan III and his parents Edward Martin Jr. and Barbara Alice Quinlan.

Friends and family are invited to attend a memorial service on January 8, 2019 at 1pm at Grasslands Golf and Country Club. In lieu of flowers, friends and family can make donations in the name of Michael Edward Quinlan to:

American Cancer Society

<https://www.cancer.org>

OR

Lakeland First Tee Lakeland, FL

<https://www.thefirstteelakeland.org>



Events


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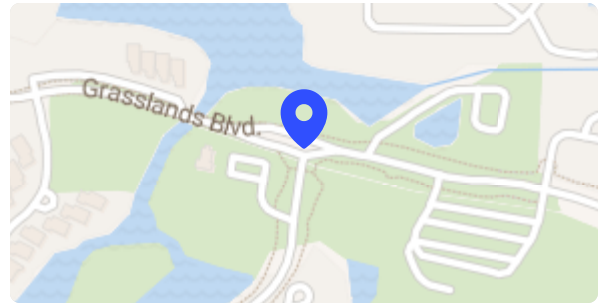
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Memorial Service

 **Tuesday**, January 8, 2019

 1:00 PM ET

 **Grasslands Golf and Country Club**
1600 Grasslands Blvd, Lakeland FL 33803





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Sandy Estroff posted:

MIKE AND I WERE GOLF PARTNERS FOR OVER 30 YEARS. KNOWN AS THE QDOG, HE COULD ALWAYS BE COUNTED ON IN BAD WEATHER TO PLAY GREASER AS A "MUDDER".I ADMIRE HIS SPIRIT AND ATTITUDE DURING HIS ILLNESS, NEVER COMPLAINING, KEEPING POSITIVE.I HOPE THE GOLF COURSE IN HEAVEN IS TO HIS LIKING.MAY HE, HIS FAMILY,FRIENDS, AND ASSOCIATES FIND JOY IN KNOWING A MAN WHOSE LIFE WAS WELL LIVED AND AN EXAMPLE FOR ALL.SANDY "ECK" ESTROFF

March 24 at 2:14 PM



Tom Connery posted:

My thoughts and prayers are with Arlene, Darren and Kelly during this time of great loss.Michael was my first manager fresh out of the USF College of Engineering in 1982. I was assigned to the Lakeland Prestressed plant where Michael was the plant manager. As a fellow engineer we quickly became great colleagues and friends. Both of us were transplants from New England and now living in Polk County, quite a culture change to say the least. I have so many fond memories of Michael who I respected not only for his integrity but his character and leadership. The first week I arrived in Lakeland he drove me around town showing me my new home and eventually having dinner at Benny's Oyster Bar, a hole in the wall place on South Florida Avenue where we had a few beers, a few dozen oysters and casual discussion about my new position. We often attended Florida Southern Basketball games along with his wife Arlene.Michael lived his life with optimism and enthusiasm always seeing the glass half full. Throughout my life I have often thought about how lucky I was to have known and been associated with such a wonderful man. I will never forget Michael and he will be sorely missed.Sincerely,Tom Connery, PE, CGCDivision Manager of Capital ImprovementsCity of Orlando

January 9 at 10:28 AM



Steven Nardone shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.

Our memories of Michael and Arlene span from 1967 when he and Steven were suite mates at Northeastern to this October when we last visited Lakeland. Michael was a special person...a man of integrity and grace. He exemplified every good quality of husband, father, friend, and business man. We feel like we have lost a cherished member of our family. He left this world a better place because of who he was. We cannot imagine going forward without him...and our hearts ache for his family. Jean and Steven Nardone



January 8 at 8:42 AM



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Chuck Prussack posted:

Mike was a friend and a huge encouragement to me in my PCI activities. I am a better person from having known him. He was a big supporter of our industry and the PCI. All my sympathy to his family. Chuck Prussack

January 8 at 7:30 AM



Vern Smith posted:

As we reflect on Michael's life we can say job well done. He will always be remembered as a wonderful person to be around and to learn from. At work or on the golf course he had a way of helping you when you needed it the most. I send my sincere condolences to the Quinlan family! In Christ's unfailing love, Vern Smith

January 8 at 7:00 AM



Anonymous sent a Divine Peace Bouquet to the Quinlan family.



January 8 at 6:20 AM



Pre Con Construction Inc. sent a Divine Peace Bouquet to the Quinlan family.



January 8 at 4:40 AM



Sean Morris sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Quinlan family.



January 7 at 3:19 PM



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Sean Morris posted:

I wish for Mike's family to find peace during this time of great loss. When I was only a fledgling Project Engineer at Coreslab (Tampa) from 2004 until 2009, Mike Quinlan was my General Manager. Back in 2004, Mike had been working for Gate Precast in Jacksonville, Florida, and he was in the process of moving his family from Ponte Vedra, Florida to the Tampa Bay area of Florida to become the General Manager of Coreslab (Tampa). During that same year, I was also leaving Jacksonville, Florida to move myself and my family to Tampa, Florida to become a Project Engineer for Coreslab (Tampa). Although I was a Professional Engineer with 7 years of Structural Engineering experience under my belt, I knew practically nothing about precast concrete. With the help of the Engineering Manager (Chris Pfeil), the Chief Engineer (Dave Bracewell), and Mike Quinlan, I was able to learn and grow as a Precast Specialty Engineer. He was not only a leader and mentor to me, he was also a person whose character and integrity I admired. His sense of humor and positive personality were always disarming, and he had a way of exhibiting grace under pressure. The world needs more people like Mike Quinlan. He will be sorely missed! Sincerely, Sean Morris, PE Engineering Manager Coreslab Structures (OKLA) Inc.

January 7 at 3:11 PM



Anonymous sent a Divine Peace Bouquet to the Quinlan family.



January 7 at 2:19 PM



Maher Tadros posted:

I offer my most sincere condolence to the family of Mike. He was a giant in the precast industry. He was a true leader. His words in the PCI Journal encouraging participation and innovation resonate until this day. I know I will miss his wisdom and vision. May his soul rest in the paradise of joy and may the Lord comfort his family and friends. Maher Tadros

January 7 at 11:36 AM



Marianne Johnson January 7 at 2:11 PM

From all of us at Marcantonini/MCT Group we offer our most sincere condolences to the family of Michael Quinlan. May his soul Rest In Peace and the lord comfort his beloved family and friends during this time of grief and sadness . Andrea and Lamberto Marcantonini, Alessandro DiCesare and Marianne Johnson



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Leap Associates International, Inc. sent a Cherished Memories to the Quinlan family.

January 7 at 10:32 AM



Ap Payables sent a Basket of Memories to the Quinlan family.

January 7 at 7:25 AM



Georgina Wolfsthal posted:

Mike Quinlan was such a special person, intelligent, funny, outgoing, kind and thoughtful. Ted and I have spent many lovely times with Mike and Arlene and we are so very sorry to hear of his passing. He will never be forgotten and we send our love and sincere condolences to Arlene and the entire family. With love from Ted and Georgina Wolfsthal

January 7 at 5:39 AM



Anonymous sent a Lily and Rose Tribute Spray to the Quinlan family.

January 7 at 5:34 AM



Nancy Slocum posted:

I remember spending some quality time watching an incredible nature related show at the I Max theater. He also had some of these at home that he enjoyed showing off. So many things that would take too long to share but I am so grateful for the memories! XO Nanner

January 7 at 4:52 AM



Anonymous sent a Sentiments of Serenity Spray to the Quinlan family.

January 7 at 4:19 AM





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Eric Goniea posted:

Every time Mike came into our offices he made a point to come to my office and ask how my father in law was doing. My father in law had Leukemia and Mike was always giving insight and encouraging words for me, and to relay to my family. An amazing man. His whole family will be in my families thoughts and prayers.Eric

January 7 at 3:46 AM



Anonymous sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Quinlan family.



January 6 at 6:31 PM



Anonymous sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Quinlan family.



January 6 at 6:26 PM



Stephen Campbell posted:

Such a wonderful person you will be missed my friend.. I will miss our talks about hockey and working together.. heaven gained a awesome guySteve

January 6 at 11:32 AM



Danny Thibodeau And Family sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Quinlan family.



January 6 at 9:34 AM



Anonymous sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Quinlan family.



January 5 at 4:04 PM



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RV

Rob Del Vento Jr. posted:

Being from Connecticut, Mike and Arlene always took time to speak with my wife and me with warm affection. Our hearts are saddened with his lost. Our prayers are with the entire family.

January 5 at 3:32 PM

MC

Michael Carter posted:

Mike was one of the best guys I have ever known. We enjoyed many rounds of golf together but special memories were when we had dinner several times in Brevard NC with the wives. He had the most positive attitude especially for all the health challenges he faced. He will be missed by all of us. He is in a better place now and hope to play a round of golf with him someday in heaven. Michael and Pam Carter

January 5 at 1:42 PM

MK

Michael & Judy Kelly sent a Medium Dish Garden to the Quinlan family.



January 5 at 1:14 PM

MK

Michael Kelly posted:

Rest peacefully my old friend. The last 44 years were made so much better by having you as a friend. Make certain that you set a place for Judy and I...preferably close to the water.

January 5 at 1:01 PM

DD

David Daniels posted:

I played several rounds of golf with Mike. Although I didn't know him as well as some, I am saddened by his passing. What a nice man. My thoughts and prayers are with his family. Godspeed Mike! David Daniels.

January 5 at 12:46 PM



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Anonymous sent a Peaceful White Lilies Basket to the Quinlan family.

January 5 at 11:22 AM



Anonymous sent a Peaceful White Lilies Basket to the Quinlan family.

January 5 at 6:10 AM





Media

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January 8 at 8:42 AM



Michael and Steven NH May 2014



Memories only last if you share them

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



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