



Michael 'Mike' D. Heater

December 4, 1944 - June 4, 2014

Michael "Mike" D. Heater, 69, of Kearney, died Wednesday, June 4, 2014 in Crewe, United Kingdom. Mass of Christian burial will be Monday, June 16, 2014 at 10:30 a.m. at the Prince of Peace Catholic Church with Fr. Paul Colling officiating. Burial will be 2:30 p.m. at the Ft. McPherson National Cemetery near Maxwell, Nebraska. Military Honors will be provided by the North Platte Veterans Group and the Navy Funeral Honors team. A wake service will be Sunday, June 15, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. at the Prince of Peace Catholic Church. Memorials are suggested to the Prince of Peace Catholic Church.

Mike was born December 4, 1944 in Superior, Nebraska to John and Ruby (Strine) Guise. They divorced in 1949. His mother remarried and moved to Lincoln with his step-father Oliver Heater. Mike graduated from Lincoln High School in 1963. He later earned a bachelor's degree from the University of Nebraska at Kearney.

He joined the Navy in 1963 and served as a med-tech during Vietnam. After the Navy, he continued his military career in the Nebraska Army National Guard with the 24th Division Air-Med in Lincoln. Mike married Mary Fritton on June 29, 1974 in Lincoln, Nebraska. In 1978 he became a recruiter for National Guard in Kearney. He retired from the National Guard in 1996 with 30 years of service as a Master Sergeant. He then worked for seven years with City Plumbing, then eight years with Menards, retiring in 2010.

Mike was a member of the Prince of Peace Catholic Church and a 4th Degree Knights of Columbus. He loved spending time with his family, golfing, and hunting and fishing, and doing cross stitch.

Mike is survived by his wife Mary Heater of Kearney, NE, sons: Todd Heater of Kearney, NE, Scott Heater of Sidney, NE, Jeff Heater of Bennington, NE, daughter Dawn Sweley of Hastings, NE, four grandchildren, brother Bob Heater and his wife Etna of Lincoln, NE, sister Sue Ludwig of Farmington, NM, and several nieces and nephews.

Mike is preceded in death by his parents.

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Tribute Wall



“ *Michael 'Mike' D. Heater*

January 29, 2023 at 11:14 AM



“ *Know you are all in my prayers. We will miss Mike very much!
Peace,*

Fr. Pau COLLING - June 15, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“ *Mary, Scott & Children & Todd, You are in our prayers.*

May God be with during this time of grief and comfort you in the days to come.

Leon, Arlene and Chelsea

Leon, Arlene & Chelsea Bell - June 08, 2014 at 12:00 AM