



Michael Anthony Retka

January 16, 1957 - August 4, 2021

Michael Anthony Retka, 64, of Holly, passed away peacefully in his home on August 4, 2021 after a yearlong battle with cancer. Michael was born in Flint, MI to Robert and Hannelore (Schultz) Retka on January 16, 1957. The second oldest to 5 siblings.

Mike is survived by his wife Karen (Keener) Retka; daughter Ann, and son Mark (Lindsay Yateman); his mother Hannelore Retka; brother Thomas Retka; sisters Heidi Travis and Lori Goldsmith; as well as many aunts, uncles, nieces and nephews.

Mike was preceded in death by his father Robert, and brothers Christopher and Robert.

Mike was married to his wife Karen for 37 years. He loved taking care of his home, spending time with his family and watching University of Michigan football and basketball. Mike was also an avid outdoorsman; he enjoyed hunting, fishing and especially yearly ice fishing trips to Lake Simcoe.

The funeral service will be held at 3:00PM Mon. Aug. 9, 2021 at the Dryer Funeral Home. Visitation will be at Dryer Funeral Home, Mon. Aug. 9, 2021 from 12-3PM, prior to the service. Burial will take place at Rose Center Cemetery in Holly, MI.

Donations may be made to University of Michigan Rogel Cancer Center, or the Gastric Cancer Foundation. The family would like to thank the University of Michigan Health System and Dr. Thomas Enzler for his dedication to the treatment of stomach cancers. www.dryerfuneralhomeholly.com

Cemetery Details

Rose Center Cemetery

Holly, MI

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 9. 12:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Dryer Funeral Home
101 First St
Holly, MI 48442
(248) 634-8291

Service

AUG 9. 3:00 PM (ET)

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Holly, MI 48442
<http://dryerfuneralhomeholly.com>

Tribute Wall



“ *Dryer Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Michael Anthony Retka*



Dryer Funeral Home, Inc. - August 09, 2021 at 10:40 AM



“ *1 file added to the album Funeral Service for Michael Retka*



Bruce Dryer - August 10, 2021 at 09:04 AM



“ *26 files added to the album Life Tributes*



Dryer Funeral Home, Inc. - August 09, 2021 at 10:33 AM

LB

“ *My thoughts and prayers go out to each and everyone of you. I didn't have the pleasure to meet Mike personally but his son Mark works for me. Mark is an amazing person in which I know is a reflection of this wonderful man. Many prayers to all of you Retka family.*

Lisa Borton



Lisa Borton - August 08, 2021 at 03:40 PM

LR

“ *Lorne & Penny Raupp lit a candle in memory of Michael Anthony Retka*



Lorne & Penny Raupp - August 08, 2021 at 12:23 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Michael Anthony Retka.*



August 08, 2021 at 11:59 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Michael Anthony Retka.*



August 07, 2021 at 04:52 PM

NW

“ *Nancy and Walter purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Michael Anthony Retka.*



Nancy and Walter - August 07, 2021 at 01:55 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Michael Anthony Retka.*



August 06, 2021 at 09:43 PM

DK

“ 5 files added to the tribute wall



Doug Kaylor - August 06, 2021 at 10:48 AM

DK

“ Our sympathies & prayers go out to Karen, Ann, Mark and the entire Retka family . I will miss going down the farm on Sunday's and talking with Mike about Deer hunting or our ice fishing trips to Lake Simcoe and of course MICHIGAN FOOTBALL .

Doug & Sally Kaylor

Doug Kaylor - August 06, 2021 at 10:35 AM

TE

“ Had the privilege of working with Mike for many years at Excel Corp in Fenton. He was a hard worker and a great friend. God Bless his family in this time of loss. Rest in peace Mary Lou.

Tom Everly

Tom Everly - August 06, 2021 at 09:28 AM

JR

“ Judy And Steve Rayman purchased the Simply Elegant Spathi phyllum for the family of Michael Anthony Retka.



Judy And Steve Rayman - August 05, 2021 at 08:33 PM

KP

“ *Kim, John and family*



Kimberly Phillips - August 05, 2021 at 06:55 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Michael Anthony Retka.*



August 05, 2021 at 05:04 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Michael Anthony Retka.*



August 05, 2021 at 04:19 PM

LC

“ *Lisa Cunningham lit a candle in memory of Michael Anthony Retka*



Lisa Cunningham - August 05, 2021 at 04:19 PM

KP

“ *God bless. Kim, John and family*



kimberly phillips - August 05, 2021 at 02:22 PM