



Michael Eugene Bee

September 25, 1948 - October 9, 2016

Michael Eugene Bee, 68, of San Antonio, Texas, passed away on October 9th, 2016 at his home, after a three and a half year battle with pancreatic cancer.

Mike was born in Weirton, West Virginia on September 25, 1948. He graduated from Weir High School. He then entered the US Air Force in August 1966. While serving on active duty, he earned his master's degree in International Relations from University of Southern California.

Mike was married to Catherine Ann Carlson on October 10th, 1970; they were married 46 wonderful years.

Mike worked as intelligence specialist for the USAF for 20 years, serving overseas in Japan, Thailand, and Germany. After retiring in September 1986, he continued to serve the USAF as a contractor and a government service employee. He enjoyed golfing, traveling, reading, woodworking, and was an avid Steelers fan.

Mike is survived by his wife Cathy, his daughter Jennifer and her husband Jason Kelly, his grandchildren Nathan, Gwen, and Sawyer, his sisters Sara Bayless of Mineral Ridge, OH, Judy (Tom) Tate of New Cumberland, WV, and Cindy (Rick) Harcharik of New Cumberland, WV, his sister-in-law Gladys Bee

of Paris, PA, and other devoted family and friends.

Mike is preceded in death by his parents Ben and Clara Bee, his brothers Steve Bee, and brother-in-law Jerry Bayless.

Memorials may be given to MD Anderson Cancer Center, PO Box 4464 Houston, TX 77210 or a charity of your choosing.

The funeral services will be held at 11 am, Thursday, October 13th, 2016 at Western Hills Christian Church, 8535 Huebner Road San Antonio, TX 78240, Pastor Brent Pomeroy will be officiating the ceremony.

Burial will be held on a later date at Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery with family and close friends.


Previous Events

Service

OCT 13. 11:00 AM (CT)

Western Hills Christian Church
8535 Huebenr Rd.
San Antonio, TX 78240

Tribute Wall



David
Capraro

“ *If I'm not mistaken want Mike one of the last air force warrants? I was with him in DLI 75. RIP BROTHER.*

David Capraro - August 22, 2018 at 10:57 AM



RN

“ *I was looking through the pictures on the DLI Facebook site and saw a picture of a young Mike, which is the face I remember, and my heart leapt in remembrance of our friendship. My heart broke as I slide down farther and saw that he was no longer here. I know that loss to your family must be very heavy indeed. I haven't seen Mike in over 30 years and I am sad of heart. Such a sweet, kind and accepting soul.*

My favorite memory of Mike is our time as racquetball teammates. We were put together as a doubles team. I am 5 feet tall and Mike was much taller. We pretty much had the court covered! However, I was not very competitive so we didn't win at the tournament that we went to in Ramstein, Germany (I think that was the place.). He watched over me as a protective older brother while we were there and that is how I remember him.

I also loved seeing him with his lovely wife at the 6913th functions. They were such a sweet couple and set a good example for all of us young military folk.

There are not a lot of people in the world like Mike Bee and the world is less peaceful, gentle, loving, funny and happy without him on it.

I am truly sorry for the loss of Mike in your family.

"Prost!" to Mike Bee.

Rhonda Nunn - 1980's in Germany

Rhonda Nunn - August 16, 2017 at 09:39 AM

RB

“ I hadn't seen Michael since we graduated from Weir High. He was a very, very nice person and had a great sense of humor. The condolence memories below attest to the fact that he didn't change.

Interestingly enough, I had visited Security Hill a number of times while working as a Defense Contractor in Washington D.C. I sure wish I had known that he was living in San Antonio. I'd taken him to dinner on the River Walk. I'm sure we would have had a great time catching up.

Deepest condolences to family and close friends. The world lost a good one.

Rick Blankenship - Class of '66

Rick Blankenship - November 17, 2016 at 01:11 PM

GS

“ Greg and send our thoughts and prayers to Cathy and her family.
Greg and Bert Skeckowski

Greg and Roberta skeckowski - October 31, 2016 at 12:25 PM

CT

“ Mike and I worked together on Security for many years. He taught most, if not all the Comm & Info specialists the Intel side of the mission. We played in several Florida Scrambles together where I learned how to golf with much guidance and patience from Mike. He also made the best chocolate fudge for all our Christmas holiday office luncheons. His patience, kindness and compassion for people will never be forgotten. My thoughts and prayers to the Bee family. May God comfort you during this difficult time. Cinda

Cinda G. Tapia - October 26, 2016 at 11:42 PM

BM

“ Mike and I worked for several years together at Air Intelligence Agency and then the 67th Wing. The consummate professional that knew his intel business inside and out... and did so many things to support our great AF and National Defense. As a father, grandfather, husband, and friend to many, there are none finer. Always the positive approach to every challenge (including the golf course). His smile, his friendship, his commitment, ... you always had trust that he'd be there for you.

Mike, you'll be sorely missed... but I know that you rest peacefully in God's hands now.

Bill Marion - October 13, 2016 at 07:40 PM

MF

“ I remember Mike fondly while studying at DLI in Monterey from 1978-80, and also serving together at the 6913th in Augsburg in the early 1980's. Mike also served together with my Dad in West Berlin in the early 1970's. Mike always had a calm demeanor and a smile on his face. He was one of the nicest people that I ever met. RIP.

Mike Ferris - October 13, 2016 at 01:33 PM



“ Mike and I worked together on Security Hill during my civil service career of over 27 years at Lackland AFB. Mike was an individual that would do anything for you and to help you. He knew his job and knew it well. Mike and I went on several TDY's and he loved to talk about golf. I know he and Jimmy were very good friends. I can;t say enough about Mike. The last time i saw Mike at SAMMC on Ft Sam we talked and i asked him how things were going and he told me "taking it one day at a time". I told Mike that "God is great and he will look after him". Mike was a very good friend and I will miss him very much.

I can't tell you how many friends Mike had, but i do know there were lots of them.

My condolences to Cathy and their children.

Chief Master Sergeant (Retired) Ed Jolly

Edward Jolly - October 13, 2016 at 09:56 AM

ML

“ I worked with Mike most of my civil service career at Lackland AFB. I really admired his professionalism, dedication, even temperament, and humor. He will truly be missed by all his co-workers. My condolences to Cathy and their children.

Mary Kay Latino

Mary Latino - October 13, 2016 at 08:43 AM

RA

“ I had the pleasure of working with Mike and have known him for the past 20 years. Such a wonderful person to work with and friend. Always had a positive attitude. We will definitely miss him.

Rosie Alaniz

Rosie Alaniz - October 13, 2016 at 06:34 AM

 John Wagner

“ Cheryl and I were stationed with Mike and Cathy in Germany in the 70's. You could not meet or have nicer people for friends. We played a lot of pinochle. May God's comfort envelope Cathy and family and bestow His peace on the entire family.

John Wagner - October 12, 2016 at 04:28 PM

CA

Thank ypu John, it hasbeen a long time

Cathy - October 12, 2016 at 08:23 PM

LU

Mike and I served on Charlie Flight, 6913th Security Squadron, Eckstein, Germany until its closure and move to Augsburg in March 1976. He was universally accorded the respect and friendship of all who knew him.

Loran Unger - October 13, 2016 at 09:49 PM

LS

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Ladd Smith - October 12, 2016 at 02:01 PM

LS

“ Off and on over the past 18 years or so, I've had the pleasure of working, eating and drinking beer with Mike. He was always bragging on Cathy and the rest of his family. Like what others have said and that others will say, he was a beacon of light, always making the best of any situation, promoting others ahead of himself. When Lisa and I were moving to San Antonio on a house hunting trip we were in a traffic accident. Having been on several business trips with Mike, I called him and he and Cathy dropped everything and rescued us taking us to dinner then to our hotel. That's the kind of people the Bee's are. If everyone was like Mike, this world would be a much better place. We will miss him.

Ladd & Lisa Smith - October 12, 2016 at 01:14 PM

RS

“ One of the best. You will be missed my friend. Our prayers go out to Cathy and family. Rest in Peace Mike.

Rick Sassaman - October 12, 2016 at 07:30 AM

KG

“ Started playing golf with Mike, Jimmy G. and Bob B. about 7 years ago...never witness Mike to have an "attitude" problem during the entire time. He was an example of humility...grew to love the guy like a brother...miss you Mike...Tee one up with God...don't cheat, he'll know!!!

Ken Gendolfe - October 11, 2016 at 03:50 PM

LE

“ My deepest condolences to Cathy, Jennifer and the rest of the family on Michaels passing. I graduated with Mike and have very fond memories of him.

Lela Berry Elliott
Weir High School
Class of 1966

Lela Berry Elliott - October 11, 2016 at 12:54 PM

GT

“ This selfie was taken in the Spring 2016
Mike is one of the most kind hearted persons I have known, always smiling, always positive. I am honored to have worked with him and be his friend. my condolences to his wonderful wife Cathy and their children.

Gloria Trevino



Gloria Trevino - October 11, 2016 at 12:43 PM

RF

“ Very nice man and my father Wm Wass really liked him. We babysat his dog Cleo for awhile and I remember how happy that little dog was to see him. Our condolences to all of Mike's family and friends. We are so sorry for your loss 🙏

Roseanna Wass Filberto - October 11, 2016 at 12:21 PM

DW

“ We have lost a very special man. My prayer to Cathy, Jennifer and the entire family. Rest in peace, Mike.

Deb Wilson

Deb Wilson - October 11, 2016 at 12:16 PM

BB

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Bob Burns - October 11, 2016 at 11:30 AM

BB

“ 2 files added to the album Golf Friends



Bob Burns - October 11, 2016 at 11:27 AM