

# Michael Arthur White

January 16, 1943 (Rockford, IL)

August 31, 2018 (Harshaw, WI)



**Michael "Mike" Arthur White, Sr.**, 75, of South Beloit, IL passed away Friday, August 31, 2018, at his beloved lake house in the loving arms of his wife, Diane. He was born January 16, 1943 in Rockford, IL the son of Lloyd Victor and Dorothy Mae (Grubb) White. He was predeceased by his parents; and first wife, Linda in 1998. He was married the last 12 years to Diane E. Amundson.

Mike graduated with the West High School (Rockford), Class of 1961; he was a loyal member of the Class "Olde Warriors." He also graduated from the University of Wyoming.

For over 50 years (since February 1966) he worked in the insurance business. He owned and operated Waterside Financial Group. He held his Chartered Life Underwriters (CLU) designation in 1973. He was a life member of the Million Dollar Round Table (MDRT) for 37 years; MDRT is the premier association of insurance and financial service professionals.

Mike was past-president and 6-year Rockford Park District Commissioner; in 1988 he received the Art Priebe Distinguished Service award. He founded and was past president of the Rock River Valley Epilepsy Association, and past president and board member of the Rockford Association of Life Underwriters. Mike volunteered to supervise the Winnebago County Public Service Works youth orientation, a United Way Fund campaign leader, Illinois High School Association (I.H.S.A). swimming official, Cub Scout leader, Webelo leader, and YMCA fund raising captain. Mike was also a board member and regional vice-president of International Union of Local Authorities (IULA), member of the Mayor's Bullseye Committee on downtown Rockford redevelopment, member and trustee of Bethesda Covenant Church, and member of First Congregational Community Church of Roscoe. Mike was an avid outdoorsman who enjoyed hunting, fishing, golfing, and traveling.

Mike was loved and cared for over the years and will be missed by his wife and best friend, Diane. Doing anything, they were always together. Mike is also survived by his sons, Michael (Kristine) White, Jr., Matthew (Daron) White, and Martin White; stepdaughters, Kristin (Ryan) Fish and Kelsey (Eric Gabrielsen) Amundson; grandchildren, Logan White, Connor White, Natalie Fish, Nolan Fish, Rachel Scott, and Kyle Scott; sister, Patricia (John) Bishoff; mother-in-law, Helen Morse; sisters-in-law, Vicki (Mike) Johnston and Susan (Jim) Wright; brother-in-law, Tom (Audry) Morse; several very special nieces and nephews; and special canine companions, Abraham and Charlie.

Visitation will be Friday, September 7th from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. The funeral service will be at 11:00 a.m. Saturday, September 8<sup>th</sup> in Delehanty Funeral Home, Ltd., 401 River Lane, Loves Park, IL. Burial will be in Scandinavian Cemetery, 1700 Rural Street, Rockford. In lieu of flowers, the Rockford Park District Foundation will establish a memorial in Mike's memory.

## Reference:

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