



Michael A. Burke

October 28, 1948 - November 6, 2024

I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the Faith.
2nd Timothy 4:7

Michael A Burke was born October 28, 1948, to the late Arthur W. and Idrew Pettaway Burke in Waterbury, CT. At the age of 76, at Apple Rehabilitation in Shelton, CT Michael peacefully answered the call to take his rest after a long illness. Preceding him in death are his parents Arthur W. Burke and Idrew Pettaway Burke, his in-laws Samuel Taylor Sr. and Willa Mae Taylor, 3 brother in-laws Henry Taylor, George Taylor and Marty Taylor.

The husband of Gwendolyn Burke for 20 years. Michael was loved by so many. He loved talking about his years growing up. The vacations with his family and the joy of being raised in a loving family. Michael graduated from Crosby High School in Waterbury, Connecticut. Mike had a love for sports (watching as well as playing). Michael served in the United States Army as a medic from 1969-1971 with an honorable discharge. Michael would often tell his doctors what they should be doing or how they should be doing it.

Gwendolyn would let the doctors know that Michael had only come to them for a second opinion, because he thought he was the doctor, and he already knew what to do.

Michael retired from Pratt Whitney with over 30 years of service as a machinist. Michael loved traveling and, visiting places such as the Carolinas, Florida, Jamaica, Bahamas, St Martin, St. John, Hawaii, just to name a few, Lots and lots of cruises. He spent some of his time watching the news,

checking the stock market, and reading. His favorite author was John Grisham.

Leaving to cherish his memory is his wife, Gwendolyn Burke, 2 bonus children LaTisha Clinepeat (Torrance) and Christopher Parks II, 1 bonus grandson Christopher Taylor, and 1 bonus great granddaughter Adrianna Taylor all of New Haven, CT., Sisters Alice Burke of Waterbury, CT and Anita B. Johnson (Glenford) of Cambridge. MA., One Aunt Glenda Hargett of Oriental, NG and one Uncle Apostle Dr. Alton Gibbs (Apostle Dr. Gwendolyn), Three sisters-in-laws, Elder Brenda Taylor of Arapahoe, NC, Elder Ellestine McMillan (Nathan) and Joyce Taylor, four bother in-laws: Elder Willie Gibbs (Apostle Bernice) of Northford, CT, Reverend Samuel Taylor Jr. (Norma) of Texas, Gary Taylor of Arapahoe, NC and Wyatt Taylor (Theresa) of Reelsboro, NC. A special cousin Roger Burke of New Haven, CT. A bonus sister-in-love Dorothy Vine of Wilson, NC. Nine nieces Dária Johnson of Cambridge, MA, Matasha Moore and Jamia Moore of Meriden, CT, Minister Sheri Sims (Marcus) of Greensboro, NC, Honorable Yolanda Huff of San Antonio, TX, Denise Hopkins (Darryl) of TX, Tineta McMillan of Knightdale, NC, Tianya Edgerton (Bryant) of Bowie, MD, and Whitney Taylor of Atlanta, GA., Five nephews Ron Johnson of Cambridge, MA, Reginald Taylor Sr. (Anna) of Charlotte, NC, Charles McMillan (Contessa) of Durham, NC. and Timothy Taylor Sr. (Katrina) of Havelock, NC. and Borris Bryant of Arapahoe, NC. and a host of great nieces, great-great nieces, great nephews, relatives and friends.

Previous Events

Calling Hours

NOV **16**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Pitts Chapel U.F.W.B Church
64 Brewster Street
New Haven, CT

Funeral Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Tanhya Burke lit a candle in memory of Michael Burke*



Tanhya Burke - November 16, 2024 at 09:40 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Michael A. Burke.

November 15, 2024 at 05:51 PM



“ *Fall Fantasia was purchased for the family of Michael A. Burke.*



November 15, 2024 at 05:51 PM

BG

“ *My deepest sympathy to all of Burke Family. I personally missed his friendship we had together of a cruise, celebrating good times, going out around Connecticut, or simply enjoying our company together with some drinks over my house. When I met Mike of outgoing character at PW&A as sheetmetal worker, we bonded our friendship of sharing our knowledge, and having the same likes besides work. My wife (Joanne) and myself will remember who he was and the with fight of Parkinson . Amen !*



bruce gayeski - November 15, 2024 at 01:19 PM

TP

We are going to miss our cousin. Mike was a great man and was always smiling and laughing. On his many trips he would stop by Virginia to visit Brenda and I. Mike will truly be missed. Condolences to the BURKE family Ellen and Alice Burke. With love and sympathy Todd and Brenda Petteway

Todd Brooks Petteway - November 16, 2024 at 11:18 AM

LC

“ *Loretta Chambers lit a candle in memory of Michael Burke*



Loretta Chambers - November 14, 2024 at 10:19 AM

RJ

“ *My deepest condolences to Gwen and all the families. Mike was a very close friend over 45 years. We will dearly miss him. R.I.P. my friend.*

Ray & Nelly Vega

Rafael Vega Jr - November 14, 2024 at 07:27 AM

AS

“ *Angie Irving Becky Allen & Carole Simon purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Michael A. Burke.*



Angie Irving Becky Allen & Carole Simon - November 14, 2024 at 06:21 AM

MG

“ *My sincere condolences to the family and friends 🙏*

Madlyn Smith-Driver aka Ginger - November 13, 2024 at 07:46 PM

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“ *(Scott Fam) Jackie, Carla & Arleen purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Michael A. Burke.*



(Scott Fam) Jackie, Carla & Arleen - November 13, 2024 at 06:41 PM

JF

“ Jessica Carrion & Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Michael A. Burke.



Jessica Carrion & Family - November 12, 2024 at 08:01 AM