



Michael G. Zobrist

June 10, 1949 - February 15, 2022

Michael G. "Tanker" Zobrist, age 72 of Highland, IL, died Tuesday, February 15, 2022, at his residence in Highland, IL.

He was born on Friday, June 10, 1949, in Highland, IL, the son of Leroy and Joann (nee Kapp) Zobrist.

On Saturday, April 26, 1969, he married Denise Ann Zobrist, nee Harris, at St. Paul Catholic Church, who survives.

He was a member of Saint Paul Catholic Church, the NRA and AARP.

Michael was born at Highland and grew up on south Pine Street. He was a 1967 graduate of St. Paul High School. After graduation, he worked for Alton Box until he was drafted in 1969. Mike served two years in the US Army, with duty in Korea. After his discharge, he returned to Alton Box where he worked an additional 42 years in machine maintenance, retiring in 2010. He enjoyed watching sports on television, as well as NASCAR. Until he became disabled, he loved fishing, hunting, and coaching Khoury League baseball. Mike was a Corvette fanatic. He was especially fond of his "grand animals" Georgia and Raider (deceased). Mike was a member of St. Paul Church where he was baptized and confirmed. He belonged to Steelworkers Local #1215 and served as president for a number of years. He also maintained membership in

NRA and AARP.

Survivors include:

Wife - Denise Ann (nee Harris) Zobrist, Highland, IL

Son - Chance M. (Audra) Zobrist, Highland, IL

Son - Derek R. (Stacy) Zobrist, Highland, IL

Granddaughter - Tyler L. Zobrist, Highland, IL

Grandson - Trevor M. Zobrist, Highland, IL

Brother - Steven L. (Phyllis) Zobrist, Watertown, WI

Sister - Janet M. (Louis) Renko, Highland, IL

Sister - Marsha A. (Kenneth) Holtgrave, Highland, IL

Sister - Laurie A. (Keith) Frank, Highland, IL

Brother - David L. (Cyndi) Zobrist, Highland, IL

Sister In-Law - Vicki Merkle, Highland, IL

Sister In-Law - Becky Martin, Alhambra, IL.

He was preceded by:

Father - Leroy S. Zobrist - Died 12/27/2012

Mother - Joann M. (nee Kapp) Zobrist - Died 10/10/1997

Nephew - Cory Matthews

Great Nephew - Dylan Renko

Father In-Law - Dennis D. Harris - Died 7/17/1972

Mother In-Law - Charlene J. (nee Wetzel) Harris

Brother In-Law - Denny D. Harris

Brother In-Law - Daryl Merkle

Brother In-Law - Greg Martin.

Arrangements are being handled by Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home in Highland, IL.

Visitation will be held from 4:00 PM to 8:00 PM on Friday, February 18, 2022,

at Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home in Highland, IL and from 8:00 AM to 8:45 AM on Saturday, February 19, 2022, at Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home in Highland, IL.

Funeral Mass will be at 9:00 AM on Saturday, February 19, 2022, at Saint Paul Catholic Church in Highland, IL, with Rev. Father Pat G. Jakel, Pastor, St. Paul Catholic Church, officiating.

Interment will be at Saint Joseph Catholic Cemetery in Highland, IL.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital or Shriners Hospitals for Children.

Tribute Wall

CF

“ Sending condolences to Denise and family. I'm a classmate of Mike's. May the memories of love shared comfort you in this time of sorrow.

Carolyn (Isert) Firestone - February 21, 2022 at 11:49 AM

CF

“ I'm sending Condolences to Denise and family. I'm a classmate of Mike's from St. Paul High School. Although I didn't stay in touch, I knew of the valiant fight he made. May the peace that comes from the memories of love shared comfort you in this time of sorrow. I'll be making a contribution to St. Jude's in his memory.
Sincerely,
Carolyn (Isert) Firestone.

Carolyn Firestone - February 19, 2022 at 08:59 AM

CZ

“ Rest In Peace Mike! You fought a long, hard battle and now you are at peace. I will never forget what a great brother in law, brother, and uncle you have been to my family. Denise - you continue to be my hero. Your unconditional love and caring for Mike is a true inspiration. ❤️ Love you both!



Cyndi Zobrist - February 17, 2022 at 09:25 PM

CH

“ Chris And Vicki Huelsmann lit a candle in memory of Michael G. Zobrist



Chris and Vicki Huelsmann - February 17, 2022 at 08:55 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Michael G. Zobrist.



February 17, 2022 at 03:08 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Michael G. Zobrist.



February 17, 2022 at 03:06 PM

VM

“ Vicki Merkle lit a candle in memory of Michael G. Zobrist



Vicki Merkle - February 17, 2022 at 03:00 PM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Michael G. Zobrist.*



February 17, 2022 at 12:57 PM



“ *Sheri & Todd Ernst lit a candle in memory of Michael G. Zobrist*



Sheri & Todd Ernst - February 17, 2022 at 12:27 PM



“ *Will always have our growing up years together and our family get together times. We shared many fun times and as family grew we all stayed in touch somehow. He had a rough few years but God let us keep him as long as he knew Mike wanted to stay. God bless this super cousin and we'll miss you a lot. RIP I'm deeply saddened I can't be there for the final goodbye but love ya*

Pam Ukrich Lecerf & Aimee - February 17, 2022 at 12:21 PM

JF

“ I always remember Mike as friend who anyone would enjoy having. Many stories from the days of St. Paul High School, and our days back and forth from Highland and Collinsville. Leroy had the station in St. Jacob and my father had the parts store in Collinsville, so we had both personal and business connections. To all the family members we can only ask for some level of comfort as time passes. I'm glad he was a part of my life!! Sincerely John & Katie Frerker (Class of 1967 St.Paul High School)

John & Katie Frerker - February 17, 2022 at 10:39 AM

WH

“ WestRock Highland purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Michael G. Zobrist.



WestRock Highland - February 17, 2022 at 08:13 AM

BM

“ Becky Martin lit a candle in memory of Michael G. Zobrist



Becky Martin - February 16, 2022 at 09:46 PM

BM

“ So sorry Denise and family. Mike was a wonderful man and brother-in-law. We have a lot of memories to cherish. RIP Tanker you deserve it.

Becky Martin - February 16, 2022 at 09:45 PM

BK

“ *Denise, I'm so sorry to hear of Mike passing. Thinking of you and praying for your family.* ”

Bonnie Kloss - February 16, 2022 at 05:27 PM