



Michael John Murphy

June 8, 1944 - August 31, 2024

Michael John Murphy 80 of Dixon, IL passed on August 31, 2024, at Jovan Bae Hospital in Rockford surrounded by his family.

Mike was born June 8th, 1944 in Dixon, IL. Son of Melvin and Phyllis (Hipple) Murphy.

Mike married Judy (Nicklaus) in the summer of 1967 in what he referred to as the best day of his life. For 57 years their love never waivered, creating a home to which they opened its doors on several occasions to others who needed a place to call home

Mike, a dreamer and man of many passions and talents, was a gifted artist, musician, and tradesman. He sewed Halloween costumes and baked all 3 of his children's wedding cakes. He was steadfast in his faith and his family which showed most brightly at Christmas, dressing up as Santa, making elaborately decorated cookies, and hanging Christmas lights that could be seen for miles.

He is preceded in death by one son Jody Murphy and his parents. He is survived by his wife Judy Murphy, son Jeffrey (Peggy) Murphy, Daughter Heather (Thom) Shore, Grandchildren Makayla (Joe) Behrens, Aidan Shore, and Brandeis Shore and one Great Grandson Wayne Behrens, as well as daughter-in-law Sheila Murphy, sisters Diane (Al) Mundt, Theresa (Mick) Barlow and many nieces and nephews. Cremation rites have been accorded with no services planned at this time.

Tribute Wall

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“ *Judy and family,
I am so sorry to hear of the passing of Mike. I
know he was your forever love Judy. I am
sending my love and prayers for comfort for
you and the family. Newell and Kandra Cook.*



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*Dear Judy & Family,
Mike was 12 years older than me, so he was one of the “older cousins “
when I was growing up. I know you miss him greatly. May the angels
take him into paradise... our prayers are with you.
Debb Wickline McRoberts*

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