



Michael O. Sauve

November 19, 2015

Michael "Mike" O. Sauve, 71, of Rudd, Iowa, died Thursday, November 19, 2015, at Mercy Medical Center-North Iowa.

Memorial services will be held at 10:30 am, Tuesday, November 24, 2015, at Epiphany Parish, Holy Family Catholic Church, 722 N. Adams, Mason City. Officiating will be Rev. John Gossman. Visitation will be from 4:00 until 8:00 pm, Monday at Fullerton Funeral Home, 123 2nd ST. SE, Mason City. Following visitation Michael will be cremated. Online condolences may be left at www.fullertonfh.com. Inurnment services will be held at 3:00 PM, Friday, June 10, 2016 at Evergreen Cemetery, Rudd, Iowa.

Michael O. Sauve was born on November 16, 1944, in Crookston, Minnesota, the son of Oscar and Palmire Sauve. He graduated from Lafayette High School in Red Lake Falls in 1962, and then continued his education to become a Journeyman Lineman. He started his career with the Iowa Public Service and then focused on power line construction with Donovan Construction then L.E. Myers Power Line Construction. Mike then became the business manager for Local 55 of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers for several years. Later he worked for Midland Construction as a field engineer, and then started his own company with his wife, Distribution Contractors, where he focused on electrical engineering until 2002. Following that he went to work for Power Plus Engineering out of LaCrosse, Wisconsin,

which was later acquired by STAR Energy Services, LLC out of Alexandria, Minnesota. He retired in 2012.

Going out on a double blind date he met Kathleen E. Cunningham and he and Kathy were later united in marriage on May 29, 1965, at Holy Family Catholic Church in Mason City, Iowa. They lived in a few places but called Rudd their home and where they raised their three children.

Mike was known as a warm and funny guy spending much of his time off with family and friends. He loved being helpful and making people laugh. His favorite hobby was building furniture which ended up furnishing most of his kids' and grandkids' houses. He was a smart guy and could figure out many problems that others could not. He often had a vegetable garden which he shared the fruits of his labor through canning, freezing and gifting.

He was a member of the former Mason City Elks lodge and served as a past president of the Rudd Lions Club. In his youth he played hockey in high school, and continued enjoying the sport watching the Minnesota Wild, and was a fan of the Vikings.

Those thankful in sharing Mike's life include his wife Kathy of 50 years, three children Carla Sauve, Nora Springs; Sheila and her husband Joel Schwarz, Chaska, MN; Francis "Fritz" Sauve, Rudd, eight grandchildren, Ryan Hocken, Mariah Payne, Isaac Schwarz, the twins Nathan and Evan Schwarz, Julianna, Hannah and Kaden Sauve, his favorite great granddaughter Aubrey Hocken, a great grand on the way, his two sisters Lorraine Schmidt-Brown, Red Lake Falls, MN; Mary Jane Kellenberger, Cloquet, MN; two brothers, Jimmy (Elizabeth) Sauve and Jerry (Marlene) Sauve, almost 50 nieces and nephews and a host of friends.

His parents, one sister Agnes Lambert, and nine brothers, Alfred, Delphis,

Edmund, Eli, George, Harvey, Omer, Robert, William, and twin sisters preceded him in death.

Fullerton Funeral Home, 123 2nd St SE, Mason City, IA 50401, 641-423-8676
www.Fullertonfh.com

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV **23**. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Fullerton Funeral Home in Mason City
123 2nd St. SE
Mason City, IA 50401
(641) 423-8676
mail@fullertonfh.com
<https://www.fullertonfh.com>

Mass of Christian Burial

NOV **24**. 10:30 AM (CT)

Holy Family Catholic Church
714 N Adams Ave.
Mason City, IA 50401

Inurnment Service

JUN **10**. 3:00 PM (CT)

Evergreen Cemetery
Rudd, IA

Tribute Wall



“ *Michael O. Sauve*

January 28, 2023 at 12:08 PM



“ *I went to high school with Mike in Red Lake Falls, Minnesota. He was one of my favorite friends then. He was very intelligent, and I appreciated his sense of humor. He kept us laughing.*

I met Kathy only once at a reunion. At that reunion I asked Mike how long they had been married, he said "Oh, I have been married all of my life". I said no you haven't. I knew you in high school and you weren't married then. I see that he and Kathy were married just three years after he graduated.

My condolences to Mike's family. I am sure you are especially sad at this time of Thanksgiving, but you can be thankful for a life well lived.

*Marsha Dale
Lafayette High School
Class of 1962*

Marsha Dale - November 27, 2015 at 06:46 PM



“ *I had the honor of working with Mike when he was doing power line design for Power Plus Engineer. Learned a lot from him and always had time for a laugh. Very sad to hear of his passing, and will be thinking of his family. RIP Mike.*

Chad Chaffee

Chad Chaffee - November 23, 2015 at 03:04 PM

BP

“ *The family has my deepest sympathy for the loss of a wonderful person. I had the opportunity to work with Mike briefly at Distribution Contractors and then with the cooperatives through PowerPlus. He was a charismatic person with a great memory and welcoming smile. May he rest in eternal peace.*

Brad Pecinovsky - November 23, 2015 at 12:05 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Michael O. Sauve.*



November 23, 2015 at 11:33 AM



“ *Truly Beloved Bouquet was purchased for the family of Michael O. Sauve.*



November 23, 2015 at 11:12 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Michael O. Sauve.*



November 23, 2015 at 11:10 AM

LO

“ Kathy I am so very sorry. Thinking about the years in our Mason City apartment and the fun the four of us had together.

Loni - November 23, 2015 at 09:44 AM

JG

“ Jim,Liz, Colleen, Jamie, Peggy Sauve, & Pete Gudmundson purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Michael O. Sauve.



Jim,Liz, Colleen, Jamie, Peggy Sauve, & Pete Gudmundson -
November 22, 2015 at 03:43 PM

BS

“ Sorry to hear about Mikes passing. My sympathy to the family. I am retired from Tri-County Electric Coop of Rushford, MN. I worked many years off and on with Mike and always enjoyed our time together.
May he rest in peace. Bob Spartz.

Bob Spartz - November 22, 2015 at 12:59 PM

MF

“ Matt Rowell and Family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Michael O. Sauve.



Matt Rowell and Family - November 21, 2015 at 06:03 PM