



Michael John Palmere

August 28, 1937 - March 26, 2018

Michael John Palmere, 80, of The Villages passed away unexpectedly on March 26, 2018.

Michael was born in Baltimore, MD to Michael and Dorothy (Thomas) Palmere. A gifted trumpet player, he started playing at the early age of 10 and was playing professionally at 14. His lifelong musical career started in Baltimore in 1951. He moved to Las Vegas in the early 1960's, the time and place to showcase his love for Jazz. He played with Jazz legends that included; Harry James, Sy Zentner at the Follies, The Russ Morgan Orchestra and Mickey Finn. He loved the years he spent playing on the Mississippi riverboat "The Mississippi Queen" where he met his wife Sheri. Michael loved and respected the work of the many New Orleans Jazz musicians. He moved to The Villages in 2014 and enjoyed the pool, sun and the Villages lifestyle. He was a devout Catholic. Michael loved his extended family, was a proud Italian, loved Italian food and had a great sense of humor.

Michael is survived by his wife Sharon Conner of The Villages and his daughter Tracy Ardoff of Nevada.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at St. Timothy Catholic Church in The Villages on Friday, April 13, 2018 at 8:30 AM. Donations in Michael's memory may be made to: St Jude Children's Research Hospital 262 Danny Thomas Place, Memphis, TN 38105.

Tribute Wall

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“ Sherri my deepest and most sincere condolences. I have known Mike for nearly 21 years and have shared so many wonderful chats with him. I will miss many things about Mike, but I will remember fondly the great discussions we would have about sharing a shot of Aged Balsamic Vinegar daily! Who knew! I will miss his unique humor! My love and respect to you and the family.

Dave Zirretta - April 09, 2018 at 02:52 PM

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“ Sherri I am so sorry for your sudden loss. I was so fond of Mike, enjoyed walking and talking about cruises at the pool and we all miss seeing him and that "captain's hat" each morning. May God open his loving arms and embrace him. May God help you through the grief and sadness you must now endure. And Mike, I will listen for that trumpet in the sky.

  God Bless, Lois

Lois Platt - April 08, 2018 at 02:18 PM