



Michael F. Ruffley

August 23, 1931 - May 30, 2011

Michael F. Ruffley, 79, of Old Bridge passed away peacefully surrounded by family on Monday, May 30, 2011 at the Raritan Bay Medical Center, Old Bridge. Born in the Bronx, NY, he lived in E. Brunswick from 1963-1979, moving to Old Bridge in 1979. He was a high school championship track star at St Agnes high school in the Bronx, NY. He graduated from New York University (NYU), NYC, in 1964 with a B.S. degree. Michael is a Veteran of the United States Coast Guard, stationed in Brooklyn, having served during the Korean War. Upon moving to the area, Michael became one of the original members of the Friendly Sons of the Shillelagh in 1963, and continued to be a part of the club his entire life. He served as President from 1980-1982. He worked for C.P. Transport in Jersey City and in Sayreville for many years. He then became employed with the Township of Old Bridge working within the Community Development Block Grant Program from 1992 until 2005. Upon retiring he volunteered first full time as a Legislative Aide to former NJ Senator Jack Gallagher and then for NJ Assemblyman Samuel D. Thompson, Republican, 13th Legislative District. A dear friend to many, Mike, was a big supporter of Old Bridge PBA, the Republican party, served on the board of Township With A Heart, was an avid NY Mets fan, enjoyed live music and loved his dogs Nikki & Newman. He was predeceased by his parents Michael & Margaret Ruffley in 1961, his sister Margaret Monaghan and brothers John and Thomas Smith, his niece Renee and his wife of 12 years Aileen "Kelly" Ruffley in 2003. Michael is survived by his former wife, Patricia Mc Auliffe

Ruffley and his children, Michael J. & Vickie Ruffley of Spotswood; Kevin & Edith Ruffley of Alexandria, VA.; Patty & Jay Norway of East Brunswick & William Ruffley of East Brunswick and his step children, Patricia Bates and Edward Leib. Michael is also survived by his grandchildren, Michael, Kristine, & Nora; his niece, Pat Mc Kee, and nephew, Phillip Monaghan. Friends may call on Thursday from 6-9pm and on Friday from 2-4 & 7-9pm at the Michael Hegarty Funeral Home, 3377 US Hwy 9, Old Bridge, NJ 08857. In lieu of flowers donations can be made to Township With A Heart P.O. Box 5384 Old Bridge, NJ 08857 or St. Jude's Childrens Research Hospital 501 St. Jude Place Memphis, TN 38105. A Funeral Liturgy will be offered on Saturday, June 4, 2011 at 9:00 am, from St. Thomas the Apostle RC Church, Old Bridge. Committal will follow at the Chestnut Hill Cemetery, Old Bridge Turnpike, E. Brunswick. For more information or to write a tribute, please visit the memorial at www.hegartyfuneralhome.com.

Tribute Wall



“ *Michael F. Ruffley*

October 05, 2023 at 11:16 AM



“ *Very sorry for your lose, Walter Parks and family*

October 11, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ *Mike, So sorry to hear about the passing of your Dad. I wish I had known, I would have paid my respects. My deepest condolences. John Pagano & Family*

John Pagano - July 13, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ *So sorry for your loss Kevin and family.. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family...Mark Peterson (Spotswood, NJ)*

mark peterson - June 13, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ *Sorry to hear about Mikes Passing, my best to your family. Kevin Burns (Fsos)*

June 03, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ To The Ruffley Family Township With A Heart will miss Mike. He was always willing to help people in need. Each year he was responsible for raising money to be used to help Old Bridge residents in need. He was a true example of a person with a heart. The members of Township With A Heart

June 03, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ To the Ruffley Family, Our sincere condolences for your loss. You are in our thoughts and prayers Sincerely Clint & Jane

June 03, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ I'm so sorry to hear of your father's death. I wish I could be with all of you to give you each a hug and kiss. My thoughts and prayers are with you. RIP Mike. Love Aunt Rose

June 02, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ Ruffley Family, May the comfort of God help you during this difficult time. You are in our thoughts & prayers.

Kelli Jones & Family - June 02, 2011 at 12:00 AM



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JB

“ *Patty & Jay, Our thoughts are with you. Sorry for your loss. The Byrne Family*

Josephine Byrne - June 02, 2011 at 12:00 AM

PS

“ *Patty & Jay, Our love & prayers are with you. The Sems Family*

Peg Sems - June 02, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ *I am sorry to hear of Mike's passing. He was an all around good man, and enjoyed working many campaigns with him over the years. Rest in peace Mike. Matthew S. Reck and Family Wake Forest, North Carolina*

June 02, 2011 at 12:00 AM

AP

“ *your family has my deepest sympathies.*

Anne (Allen) Price - June 02, 2011 at 12:00 AM

MR

“ *I am so sorry to hear of Mike's passing. He was a good and decent man. I have many fond memories of working on a lot of campaigns with him over the years. May he rest in peace. Matt Reck and Family Wake Forest, NC*

Matt Reck - June 02, 2011 at 12:00 AM

DV

“ *I was so sorry to hear of your loss. The thoughts of many are with you at this time of sorrow.*

Dawn Voorhees - June 01, 2011 at 12:00 AM

AM

“ *Mike we are going to miss you.*

Ann Mullan - June 01, 2011 at 12:00 AM