MICHAEL LATERZA

February 2, 1942 - August 31, 2022

Michael Laterza, 80, of Dewey, Arizona passed away on August 31, 2022. Mike was born the 5th of 6 children on February 2, 1942 to Paul and Rose (Schumacher) Laterza in Queens, New York.

Mike started his career as a delivery driver in New York City for UPS, when an opportunity presented itself, he purchased his own truck. He successfully transitioned to development manager for owner/operators for Leaseway Transportation and was transferred to New Jersey/Pennsylvania in 1980 where he opened a Home Delivery Facility for them. In 1984 the family moved to Southern California and he was employed by Penske Logistics, retiring in 2004 as the company's West Coast Regional Transportation Manager.

Mike loved spending time with his family. He would often call family members to ask how everything and everyone was doing. Mike also liked to entertain. He was the ultimate host for many social hours at his home. He was genuinely warm and welcoming offering to share a glass of wine. He was a "casual" golfer who enjoyed spending time on the course with his wife and friends. He loved to travel, especially to visit family that is spread out over 4 states. He was the glue that held everyone together.

Mike leaves behind a loving wife of 60 years, Joanne Laterza. He also leaves behind his children Lisa & Danny Selmi, Darren Laterza & Renee D'Amore, and Michele & Dave Zenk, his grandchildren Nicky, Lexi, Mikey, Ben, Thomas, Camryn, Taylor and Michael. He is also survived by his sister Roseanne Kutilek.

A memorial service will be held for Mike at Sunrise Funeral Home in Prescott Valley, Arizona on November 7, 2022 at 11:00AM. There will be a celebration of life following at the clubhouse in Quailwood Community Center.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

NOV **7**. 11:00 AM (MT)

Sunrise Funeral Home and Crematory
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Tribute Wall

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January 30, 2023 at 05:11 AM

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November 02, 2022 at 06:50 PM

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DAVE MICHELE LISA DANNY DARREN RENEE purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of MICHAEL LATERZA.

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