



## Michael A. Johnston

June 20, 1950 - July 5, 2014

Johnston, Michael A. Age 64. July 5, 2014.

Beloved husband of Joan. Loving father of Dana Derek Marranca, Katie fiancé Eric Hoyer and the late Michael. Proud grandfather of Ben, Molly and Jamie. Dear brother of Richard the late Laura, Dennis and the late John. He was predeceased by his parents, Raymond and Lucille. Michael and Joan married on December 27, 1969 at St. Vincent Ferrer Catholic Church in Madison Heights. The couple resided in Royal Oak. Mr. Johnston retired in 2009 from Ameritech, where he was employed as a Royal Oak-09 Cable Splicer. He enjoyed working crossword puzzles, playing guitar and fishing. A volunteer at the Yankee Air Force Museum at Selfridge Air National Guard Base, he often worked at the many air shows there. He was a supporter of the Salvation Army Breakfast Club. Visitation Wednesday 5-8 p.m. and funeral Thursday 11 a.m. at the Wm. Sullivan & Son Funeral Home, 705 W. 11 Mile Rd. 4 blocks E. of Woodward, Royal Oak.

# Tribute Wall

DO

“ *Dennis - my deepest sympathies to you and your entire family.*

David Ott - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Mike, was a great 09er, Splicer, and a great co-worker.. I worked with Mike for many years.. He was a very very good person, and a fun person to be around.. Everyone who knew Mike will miss him greatly.... Rest In Peace, My Friend!!!!*

Terry Hilliard - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

BH

“ *Mike was the first person I met when I got a job as a station repairman at the Royal Oak garage. The day I got my transfer, Mike made the mistake of pulling up in his bucket truck in the alley behind my house. I hopped the fence, introduced myself and talked with him for half an hour. Years later, I found out he was back there to fill out paperwork and have a beer which he spilled on the floor when a crazy hippy hopped the fence to say hi. My first day at the garage, Mike walked me around to all of the bull rooms and introduced me....he also did the same when I came in at the end of the day after getting soaked in a downpour letting me know we don't work in the rain "wrong, Hurd!" Toward the end of my time in Royal Oak, I was blessed with the opportunity to work with Mike on a training and certification program - which turned out to be one of the best experiences I had in my whole career. Mike always displayed a true love and dedication to his family, life, and job. Rarely had a negative thing to say about anyone, and was always willing to share his knowledge or lend a hand. His heart was huge! He'll have his wings in no time flat!*

Brent Hurd - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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“ he was one of the best cable repairman I worked with and was always willing to help. he was well liked by everyone he was around. he loved to hear and tell stories after work in the back of the work parking lot as we all did. drinking soda. we wish his family and friends our heart felt sympathy.

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**jack sawtell and family** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JP

“ Mike was one of the nicest 09'ers at the Royal Oak garage. My condolences and prayers go out to his family.

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**Jan Prang** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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“ Mike was one of the best and brightest in telephone repair. He was always willing to help his fellow technicians, and did so with grace and good humor. We wish his family and personal friends our deepest condolences.

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**bill hansen** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM