



Michael Musial

September 22, 1950 - August 30, 2025

Michael Eugene Musial passed away on August 30, 2025, in Royal Oak, Michigan, at the age of 74. Born on September 22, 1950, Michael's life was defined by an unwavering love of his family, friends, and country.

Michael is survived by his beloved wife of 53 years, Colleen (Glynn). They met in second grade at Shrine of the Little Flower Grade School, were high-school sweethearts at Shrine High, and were married at Shrine church in 1972. They loved nothing more than tending their beautiful garden and home-the same home where Michael grew up. Together, they lovingly raised their son Michael (Muse), who inherited his dad's quick wit and love of the outdoors. Michael's favorite days were spent visiting Muse and his grandsons, Augustus (Gus) and Louis (Lou), in Bozeman, Montana, and cheering at their baseball games. Michael's family was his greatest joy.

A veteran of the Vietnam War, Michael served with honor in the United States Marine Corps, a commitment that shaped his steadfast character. Following his military service, he managed his family's business, Brentwood Lanes, and he later worked at Stanley Door Systems, and in facilities management and maintenance. Michael was dependable, hardworking, and known as Mr. Fix-It. He was often the first call for family and friends in a pinch and was happy to drop everything to help.

Michael is preceded in death by his parents, Eugene and Elizabeth Musial, and his siblings, Jerry, Alice, and Kas. Michael's sisters- and brothers-in-law loved him like their own brother and will miss him dearly, as will his friends, neighbors, and buddies in Bozeman. He will also be missed by his adoring nieces, nephews, great-nieces, and great-nephews, who always appreciated that "Uncle Michael" was a kid at heart. He enjoyed pranks, backyard forts, video games, and cartoons just as much as they did.

Michael loved all Detroit sports, old Westerns, and Svengooli movies. He could often be found watching a Tigers' game in the garage on a warm summer evening. In retirement, he and Colleen spent countless, happy days strolling at the Detroit Zoo, Greenfield Village, and Belle Isle. The week before his passing, he traveled with his son, grandsons, and nephew, to celebrate his birthday at his beloved Indian Lake in the Upper Peninsula. This fishing trip with "the boys" was Michael's little preview of heaven and will be a cherished memory for those who loved him most.

A Funeral Mass for Michael will be held on Monday, December 29 at 10:00 a.m. (visitation 9:30 a.m.) at the National Shrine of the Little Flower Basilica, 2100 Twelve Mile Rd., Royal Oak.

Donations in Michael's memory may be made to the Shrine Catholic High School Football Program, c/o Shrine Catholic Schools Development Office, 3500 W. 13 Mile Road, Royal Oak, MI 48073; the Solanus Casey Center, 1780 Mount Elliott St., Detroit, MI 48207; or to the Tunnel to Towers Foundation, 2361 Hylan Boulevard, Staten Island, NY 10306.

Please share a memory at www.SullivanFuneralDirectors.com.

Cemetery Details

Roseland Park Cemetery

29001 Woodward Avenue
Berkley, MI 48072

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC **29**. 9:30 AM (ET)

National Shrine of the Little Flower Basilica
2100 Twelve Mile Rd
Royal Oak, MI 48073-3910
(248) 541-4122

Funeral Mass

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Tribute Wall

MC

“ I appreciated always a welcomed hello from Michael when I regularly popped over. Wherever Colleen & I were chatting , he would appear from his man cave in the basement to give a hug & kiss . Xox
My visits often included a door dash meal/ dessert. He was so easy to please .
I miss his welcoming hello, however, Colleen has a heart of gold for both of them.
God Bless Your Soul ,
Mary Jo Cairo

mary Jo Cairo - December 30, 2025 at 06:57 PM

ME

“ Michael was a friend that had a smile and a quick quip to share no matter how many years had passed between our meetings. As a Shrine alum myself a couple years younger we still always seemed to have the same people and funny stories to share, primarily old teachers from grade school and Shrine High. I'm sure Colleen and the rest of your extended family have many wonderful memories to keep their hearts warm. Bye Muse...
Say hey to Bubba, save a seat on the bench for me, Mark Edwards



Mark S Edwards - September 04, 2025 at 08:24 PM

SD

“Michael was my best friend in high school—the first to welcome me to Shrine High. From the beginning, he looked out for others, always ready to lend a helping hand no matter the task. We embraced our youth with joy and lived those early years to the fullest.

I still remember how radiant he was when he and Colleen became a couple, and later, when she became his bride. Their love was truly storybook—genuine, enduring, and beautiful.

Though time has passed and I regret not staying in closer touch, Michael has carried a piece of me with him. I will always cherish the memories of him and Colleen, and hold them close in the years I have left.

Thank you, Michael.

When death comes and whispers to me, "Thy days are ended," let me say to him, "I have lived in love and not in mere time." He will ask, "Will thy songs remain?" I shall say, "I know not, but this I know that often when I sang I found my eternity." —Rabindranath Tagore, Fireflies (1928)

Blessings to you, Michael. Prayers and hugs to Colleen, Muse, and the entire family. Love, Stephen and Shirley Drake

Stephen Drake - September 03, 2025 at 08:40 AM

KF

“ I knew Mike in high school.
Vividly I remember Mike meeting one of the nuns after school and driving her somewhere. I asked him. He said he was driving her to her cancer treatments. I was awe-struck.
In many unspoken situations Michael led by example.
Goodbye friend.
Kathy (Scanlan) Forton & Don Forton

kathy Forton - September 01, 2025 at 03:26 PM

CM

“ Michael was kind, he made you laugh and he was always willing to help unconditionally. His calling was service and his legacy was Family, Faith and Country...a true Marine. Semper Fi Muse...you earned your wings! We love you, Carrie and Jeff

Carrie Mugerian - August 31, 2025 at 10:00 PM