



James "Mike" Sprague

October 19, 1941 - December 8, 2020

Mike Sprague, age 79 of Elkhorn, died at Nebraska Methodist Hospital in Omaha on Tuesday, December 8, 2020. He was preceded in death by: his parents; his sisters, Mary Janssen and Lou Ann Taylor. Mike is survived by: his wife, Kathy Sprague of Elkhorn; sons, James Sprague of Omaha, Shawn (Laura) Sprague of Allen, TX, Charles (Sonja) Sprague of Waterloo, NE and Matthew Sprague of Houston, TX; along with Seven grandchildren; and a brother, Larry Sprague of Las Vegas, NV.

- A strong Christian with 57 years of blessed marriage to Kathy – the eternal love of his life

- A life of giving:

o Highschool teacher

o Boy scout leader, swim coach

o Card player

o Loving father: forever there for the 4 Irish boys: sports, activities....life – not always an easy thing

o 30+ years in vocational rehabilitation helping those less fortunate

o Devoted partner to his beautiful wife, and fantastic caregiver post catastrophic accident

- To know him is to love him

o If Mike teased you unmercifully – it meant he liked you the best!

We know the Lord will cherish in heaven the man that has blessed our lives all

these years.

A memorial can be made in his name to Madonna Rehabilitation of Lincoln and St. Patrick's Parish of Elkhorn and can be left or mailed to the funeral home.

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 13. 4:30 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

Reichmuth Funeral Home - Omaha / Elkhorn
21901 W. Maple Rd.
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Elkhorn, NE 68022
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Rosary

DEC 13. 6:00 PM (CT)

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Memorial Mass

DEC 14. 10:30 AM (CT)

St. Patrick's Catholic Church
20400 W. Maple Rd.
Elkhorn, NE 68022

Tribute Wall



“ *Reichmuth Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of James "Mike" Sprague*



Reichmuth Funeral Home - December 13, 2020 at 08:42 PM



“ *James "Mike" Sprague*

December 10, 2022 at 09:12 AM



“ *I am so sorry for your loss. Mike & Kathy both raised such a beautiful family. I don't think I ever met Mike, but sounds like he was a great one. Will think of you all in my thoughts and prayers. I was a classmate of Matt's from 1990. - Janet Becvar*

janet b - December 17, 2020 at 11:31 AM

DP

“ To Kathy and Family,

We have been asking God to bless you all and to have mercy on Mike's soul. We have memories of lively discussions at our prayer gatherings. Mike is a great guy whom we always enjoyed being around. We watched the Celebration of Mass. We plan on having a Mass prayed for Mike and we will let you know when. May God give you all the extra strength and blessings you need.

Love Dave and Rita.

Dave Persing - December 14, 2020 at 04:04 PM

BB

“ I was raised in a strong Irish Catholic home. If you are lucky enough to be counted among us, then you also know the importance of family. In my younger years, I spent every weekend with my aunts and uncles and 13 cousins at my Grandparents' cabin, During this time, it was my Uncle Mike who made sure that us girls would beat the boys at our weekly toad catching competitions. Helping by keeping the lid on the gallon pickle jar so that the toads did not escape. You see, the winner of the competition would gain the privilege of first in line for the root beer floats. Though the years, my Uncle Mike was there to teach me the importance of learning about history and the adventure in reading a good book. He was there to make sure that I, a hungry college student could enjoy a nice dinner out at least one a month. It was with my Uncle Mike that I saw the iconic Sandhill Cranes for the first time, He bought a scalped Husker ticket so that I could see my first Nebraska Football game in person. He was there to celebrated the joys of my life. He read from the scriptures at my wedding and advised me on the best way to advocate for my son who has autism. As he had for many years before advocated for those with disabilities through his work with the State of Nebraska. I know the honor of having an Uncle Mike and feel blessed to be considered one of his own. Sending love and prayers to the entire Sprague family. So very sorry for your loss.

Beverly Bettendorf - December 13, 2020 at 09:33 AM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of James "Mike" Sprague.



December 13, 2020 at 12:20 AM

TS

“ Peggy and I are sorry for your loss, and remember fondly our bridge playing years.

Peggy and Tony Staup

tony staup - December 11, 2020 at 07:11 PM

BM

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with Kathy and the family. We have so many wonderful memories of your family's time in North Platte. Prayers of comfort and peace.

Bill & Marilyn McGahan - December 11, 2020 at 02:49 PM

TK

“ The Jorgensen Family & Grandma Kathy purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of James "Mike" Sprague.



The Jorgensen Family & Grandma Kathy - December 11, 2020 at 09:59 AM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of James "Mike" Sprague.



December 10, 2020 at 03:27 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of James "Mike" Sprague.



December 10, 2020 at 01:53 PM