



## Michael Joseph Baines

September 21, 1944 - July 21, 2014

Michael Joseph Baines was born on September 21, 1944 in Omaha, Nebraska to Bert and Mildred (Vlcan) Baines. He grew up in Omaha where he attended Holy Cross grade school and graduated from Omaha Creighton Prep High School in 1963. Michael attended UNO and Metro Tech where he received his certification in refrigeration. As a young adult, Michael enjoyed fishing and lifting weights. His first job was at Kilpatrick's at the Center Mall during high school. Michael enlisted in the United States Coast Guard in 1965 and served his country for over two and a half years.

Michael married Elizabeth Murrow in 1973 at St. Thomas More Catholic Church in Omaha, Nebraska and they were blessed with a daughter Laura Marie. Michael lived in Valley before moving to Fremont in 2007.

Michael worked for a short while at Merwald and Sons in Omaha. He enjoyed playing guitar and singing in the music ministry at St. John's Catholic Church in Valley and visiting nursing homes in Fremont to read scriptures to the residents. Michael was very conscious of his health, often taking long walks and swimming regularly at the Y in Fremont. He always looked for ways to be of service and delighted in random acts of kindness to friends and strangers especially where he could lend a helping hand financially. Michael purchased and gave away rosaries, Christian music CD's, books and pamphlets. He was proud of his service in the Coast Guard and was a member of the American Legion in Fremont, Nebraska. Michael was a devout man and a prolific writer – his favorite form of prayer was writing his conversations with the Lord. He

dearly loved his daughter and could always be heard leaving you with his standard "God Bless You". His many struggles in his life always moved him to trust God more, rather than into despair. He took up his cross with profound trust in His God.

Michael passed away on Monday, July 21, 2014 at the Josie Harper Hospice House in Omaha, Nebraska with his family at his side at the age of 69 years and 10 months. He was preceded in death by his father Bert and brothers Denny and Mark. Michael is survived by his daughter and son-in-law Laura and Jeff Cisar of Shenandoah Junction, WV; 2 grandchildren Katie and Emily; mother Mildred Baines of Omaha; six brothers and three sisters; Kathy (Bill) Kizer; Margaret (Dan) Schomer; John (Vicki) Baines; Denise (Nick) Thelen and Kenny (Brigitte) Baines all of Omaha; Bob (Linda) Baines of El Dorado, KS; B.J. (Lisa) Baines of Centennial, CO; Frank (Sherry) Baines of Glenwood, IA and Kevin Baines of Foristell, MO; numerous nieces and nephews .

# Tribute Wall



“ *Michael Joseph Baines*

December 10, 2022 at 09:12 AM



“ *Maureen & I just heard about Michael passing at church this Sunday the 25th. Michael was a great friend to me and my family...We loved him being around the house. He loved our children like there were is own. A story I would like to share; One Christmas morning 2-3 years ago we seen Michael walking down our driveway to the back of the house. He ended up at the front to with some firewood in is hand that he had gotten from the wood pile. He wished us all Merry Christmas and stood in front of the fireplace to warm up. We were so happy to see them that Christmas Morning and it became a tradition for 2 -3 year. He told me one day he just loved being around our children and could see the Lord at work in and around our house. One other day he stop by the house around Thanksgiving time, and the children gave them some of there homemade gifts, Michael was so happy he was bought to tears. Michael also was my sponsor for my conversion to the church and had many pray meeting at our house. Maureen & I our very sad that we missed Michaels passing. Michael was my brother in Christ and I miss him and love them very much. Michael Thanks you so much for being you and help me with my walk with our Lord.*

Danny & Maureen Kaven - July 28, 2014 at 02:48 PM

M'

“ *Denise and Family,  
So sorry for your loss. May the memories of Michael live on inside  
your hearts forever. Know you are in my thoughts and prayers.  
My Deepest Sympathy,  
Michelle Procopio Delisi '74*

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**Michelle Procopio Delisi '74** - July 25, 2014 at 12:20 PM

PF

“ *Our deepest condolences and sympathy to the entire Baines family:  
Our hearts ache for all of you. Nothing hurts as much as losing a  
child no matter what their ages. We were sorry to learn of your loss  
Mildred and will be with you in spirit during your grieving process.*

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**Paul & Sandy Flock** - July 24, 2014 at 12:59 PM

DP

“ *Michael was a real prayer warrior and used his gifts to help others.  
Whatever gifts that Michael received from the Holy Spirit were put to  
use to bring others closer to God. Michael remained Catholic but  
reached out to other faiths to encourage them in there walks.*

*I will always remember the prayer messages and sung voice mails  
that I received from Michael. The Navy as an old farewell saying  
whenever a sailor departs on a journey. The saying goes like this:  
Fair Winds and Following Sea. Michael as your family prepares for  
their final farewells tomorrow I wish you Fair Winds and Following  
Sea.*

*May the perpetual light shine upon you and you and all the faithfully  
departed rest in peace!*

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**Deacon David Probst** - July 24, 2014 at 12:39 AM

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“ Dear Baines Family,  
We are thinking of you all, wishing we were in town to attend Michael's services, and sending love and sincerest sympathy to each of you!  
Anne and Pat

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**Anne and Pat Mahoney** - July 23, 2014 at 05:24 PM

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“ Dear Frank & Sherry, we just learned that your brother, Mike, went to heaven yesterday. Our sympathy and prayers are with you and all your family. Love Margie & Terry

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**Terry & Margie O'Hanlon** - July 22, 2014 at 08:17 PM

GF

“ My deepest condolences and sympathy to the entire Baines family. I grew up next to Mike, his parents and siblings. Even though Mike was eight years my senior, I remember his kindness to the Forman family and his teasing of John, Bob, my brother Tom and me in our younger days.  
God bless and give peace to the entire Baines family.

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**Gary Forman** - July 22, 2014 at 03:06 PM