



Michael Eugene Swahn

November 9, 1947 - November 7, 2009

Michael Eugene Swahn was born on November 9, 1947 in Grand Island, Nebraska to Curtis and Betty (Reikofski) Swahn. Mike spent most of his life in the Valley area. He grew up near Valley where he attended District 22 country school and Waterloo High School. As a young man, Mike enjoyed cars, creating mischief, and swimming in the river with his buddies. Mike enlisted in the United States Marine Corp in 1963 and served for two tours in Vietnam before receiving an honorable discharge in 1969. He served in the infantry until he was transferred to the motorpool.

Mike was married to Elissa Ann Riepl from 1970 thru 1976. They were blessed with two daughters, LexAnn Michele and Shannon Marie.

Mike married the love of his life, Joan Farwell, in 1977 at St. Mark*s Lutheran Church in Valley, Nebraska. They were blessed with two sons, Shane Michael and Jacob Brian.

In his early career, Mike worked as a painter with family. He spent most of his life as cold storage construction supervisor and recently at Boys Town in the maintenance department. He enjoyed air boating, hunting, fishing and mushroom hunting. Mike loved to spend time with his family, especially the grandchildren. He also enjoyed socializing with his friends - there isn't one person that doesn't have a funny story about Mike. He is remembered as a

fun loving man with a quiet strength. Mike truly enjoyed a cold Bud Light with his friends and knew the medicinal value of Blackberry Brandy. He had a zest for life, a tremendous love of his family and is a person the world will sorely miss.

Mike passed away suddenly on Saturday, November 7, 2009 at the Lakeside Hospital in Omaha, Nebraska at the age of 61 years, 11 months and 29 days. He was preceded in death by his parents Curtis and Betty, brother Curtis, Jr. and father-in-law Robert Farwell. Mike is survived by his wife Joan of Valley, Nebraska; daughters LexAnn and son-in-law Matthew Steffens and Shannon Swahn all of St. Louis Park, Minnesota; sons Shane of Fremont, Nebraska and Jacob and daughter-in-law Mandi of Valley, Nebraska; 8 grand children; sister Connie and brother-in-law Robert Renter of Waterloo, Nebraska; sister-in-law Gloria Swahn of Wahoo, Nebraska; and mother-in-law Barb Farwell of Valley, Nebraska.

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Tribute Wall



“ *Michael Eugene Swahn*

December 10, 2022 at 09:12 AM



“ *Joan, I am so sorry to hear of the loss of Mike. I am praying this prayer for you and your family.*

Father, They're hurting for many reasons, and I ask You to help them through this season of loss. I reach out to You, the Father of compassion and the Source of every comfort, asking You to touch them with Your unfailing love and kindness. Be their God who comforts them as they're going through their struggles, and bring them through the tough things ahead. Come alongside them in their pain, and strengthen them so they'll one day be able to help others who face the same struggles. In Christ name, Amen(2 Corinthians 1:3â€“4; Psalm 33:22; 1 Samuel 20:14a)

Blessings, Mark Seebohm

Mark Seebohm - November 12, 2009 at 12:31 PM



“ *Joan, you and your family have been in my thoughts and prayers since I heard of your loss on Sunday. May our Lord and Savior hold you and your family close to Him during this time.*

Tony Gum

Tony Gum - November 10, 2009 at 10:16 AM

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“ *Joan and family
May the family find the comfort and strength at this time of need and
hold all the memories close to your heart. you are in my prayers
Kelly*

Kelly Ringle - November 10, 2009 at 08:51 AM

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“ *Dear Joan - I am so sorry to hear about Mike! I have been thinking
about you and praying for you and your family since I found out
Sunday. Now I wish so much we could have made Jacob's
reception to visit with him. I know how hard it was for my Mike to
lose his dad five years ago, so I'm glad your boys have each other
and you for support You have such a good relationship with them
and they will be a great comfort to you, along with those sweet
grandchildren. I know your faith is strong and God will pull you
through. You also know we girls are always here for you, so please
call whenever you need us!! We will no longer put off our girl's days
with poor excuses!! You have always been great fun to be around
and I am so glad to have you as a friend! Take care of yourself,
Joan, and I will see you soon. Mike asked me to tell you how sorry
he is also. He loved visiting with Mike at the old alley in Valley and
we both remember that laugh of his! :) Love ya girlfriend! God Bless.
Sandra*

Sandra and Mike Royuk - November 09, 2009 at 12:12 PM

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“ *Joan and family,
My deepest sympathy pours out to you and your family. Very sad Monday morning around here today! Please know that my prayers are for you today and always and that you have my support whenever and wherever you need it. Let me know what I can do for you at anytime -that's what old employees and friends are for:-)
Here is something I hold on to everyday: The will of God will never take you where the Grace of God will not protect you for he is with you always.
God bless you and keep you in his hands during this difficult time.*

Love, Cheri Koel

Cheri Koel - November 09, 2009 at 11:11 AM

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“ *Joan, the thoughts and prayers of all us here at Valmont are with you and your family.*

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