



# Melvin Baskin

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**M**elvin Harold Baskin, 78, of Cornelius, died peacefully at his home cradled in his wife's arms and surrounded by family on July 14th, 2022, following a nine month battle with Cancer. He was born on March 4, 1944, in Ann Arbor, Michigan. Mel was adopted by his Foster Parents, Harold & Helen Baskin, on April 3rd, 1944, and resided in Ypsilanti, Michigan. Mel studied Business at Jackson Community College in Jackson, MI, and had over 23 years of management experience in the automotive parts supply industry, with the last 18 years at the Divisional Management and Corporate Executive Levels. Mel was Executive Vice President of Nelson Metal Products Corporation, a leading automotive supplier. During his tenure, his responsibilities included the development and implementation of programs that positioned Nelson as the recognized leader in the market segments they served. Nelson had been recognized with numerous awards including the General Motors Mark of Excellence Award, Ford's Q-1 Award, as well as Ford Total Quality Excellence Award which is the highest recognition awarded from Ford Motor Company.

Prior to joining the Nelson organization, Mel spent over 18 years with Hayes- Albion Corporation. He was Vice President of Marketing for their die casting group. Previously, Mel was Group Vice President of Marketing for Paramount Casting Division and LiteMetal Casting Division of Jackson, Michigan.

He was a past Chairman of the Michigan Area Regional Group of the North American Die Casting Association. In 1999, Mel retired from Nelson Metal Products. His retirement did not last long as he could only play so much golf. At that time, American Metal and Plastic of Grand Rapids, MI, needed someone to manage their business and he became General Manager. This was supposed to be a 6 month employment that ended up being 13 years. Mel fully retired in 2019. Mel hated airplanes and long flights but in spite of that traveled to the UK, Ireland, Belgium and most of



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Europe. When he met his wife, Annie, that changed and he flew almost every weekend to see her in Florida until they were married on January 23, 2016. Mel was an avid golfer who mastered 3 hole-in-ones. He belonged to his beloved Blythefield Country Club in Belmont, MI. During his last golfing event at Blythefield, he and his good friend, Jim Minix, won the 2017 Men's Invitational Flight Championship. He was also a member of Fiddler's Creek Country Club in Naples, FL, as well as The Peninsula Club in Cornelius, N.C.

He is survived by his loving wife, Annie, and his precious dog, Mischa. Six daughters; Nichole Camacho, and her husband Mark of Jackson, MI; Kyle Mileschkowsky and her husband, Troy, of Sand Creek, MI; Melanie Baskin of Memphis, TN; Christine O'Reilly of Sarasota, FL; Laurie Smith and her life partner, Chip Whitcomb, of Sunapee, NH; Lisa Gilmore and her husband, Richie, of Cornelius, NC; and son, Steven Creamer and his life partner, Moira Croteau, of Keene, NH; 15 grandchildren and 8 great grandchildren.

Funeral Services will be held at St. Mark Catholic Church located at 14740 Stumptown Road, Huntersville, NC, on Tuesday, July 19th at 1:00 p.m. For those unable to attend the Funeral Mass in person, to watch the Mass live go to [www.stmarknc.org](http://www.stmarknc.org). Click on the "Watch Mass Live" icon. Broadcast will begin at 12:55 PM.

A Celebration of Life will be held at Blythefield Country Club at 5801 Northland Dr. NE, Belmont, MI, on Saturday, July 30th from 4-7 p.m. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to any of the following charities: Helen DeVos Children's Hospital Foundation <https://www.spectrumhealth.org/foundation/helen-devos-childrens-hospital> Martin Truex, Jr. Foundation [www.martintruexjr.com/donate](http://www.martintruexjr.com/donate) Dale Jr. Foundation <http://thedalejr.com/donate>

James Funeral Home of Huntersville, NC is serving the Baskin family and online condolences can be made to [jamesfuneralhomekn.com](http://jamesfuneralhomekn.com).




# Events


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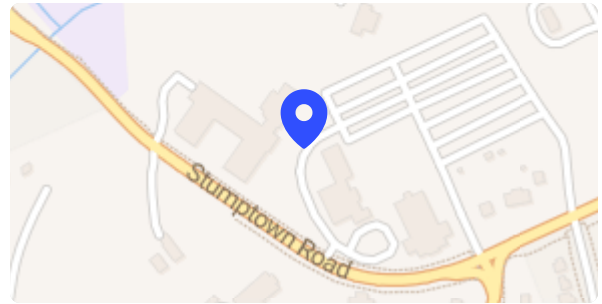
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## Funeral Mass

 **Tuesday**, July 19, 2022

 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM ET

 **St. Mark Catholic Church**  
14740 Stumptown Rd, huntersville NC 28078





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CG

**Cynthia Gerlach** posted:

A beautiful service for a wonderful man. Love you,Sis.

July 19 at 9:57 AM

JT

**Julia Thetford** posted:

My Sweet Auntie, I'm so sorry to hear of your Mel passing. Sending a big hug and all the love to you and your family during such a devastating time. Love, Julia

July 18 at 10:11 AM

PT

**Phil Tremblay** posted:

Sending all of our love and support from VT, Auntie. We love you and are so sorry for the loss of Mel.-Phil & Leah

July 18 at 9:59 AM

KT

**Kate Tremblay** posted:

Mel was a great guy and a true gentleman. He made my sister very happy in the time they had together. My condolences to everyone who knew and loved Mel but most especially to Annie and Mel's daughters. Fly high, Mel!!!Love Kate

July 18 at 9:54 AM

JO

**John Olsa** posted:

Mel was all class and he will be missed greatly.

July 18 at 7:02 AM



**Anonymous** sent an Arrive in Style to the Baskin family.



July 18 at 4:02 AM



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**Tom Maxwell** posted:

My mentor and friend. Tom Maxwell

July 17 at 12:16 PM



**Anonymous** sent a Country Basket Blooms to the Baskin family.



July 16 at 9:57 AM



**Bereavement Ministry Team** posted:

The Bereavement Ministry Team and the Parish Community of St. Mark Catholic Church extend our deepest sympathy at this difficult time. Be assured that you and your family are in our prayers.

July 15 at 3:10 PM



**James Monix** posted:

He was a dear friend for so many years, he will be missed.

July 15 at 1:23 PM



**Mary** posted:

Melanie, We are so sorry for the loss of your Dad. Your friends at Millennium Outdoors

July 15 at 7:12 AM



**Anonymous** sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Baskin family.



July 15 at 7:09 AM



# Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Melvin by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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