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Mr. Michael A. Hughes, age 75, of Huntersville, North Carolina passed away Thursday, February 8, 2024.

Michael lived in many places, mostly in the Southeast: Florida, Georgia, Virginia and Louisiana. He called North Carolina home for the last 36 years.

Michael enjoyed scuba diving, camping, cycling, his miniature schnauzers, making people laugh and mostly spending time with his family.

Michael served in the U.S. Navy. He retired in 2011 from Novartis Pharmaceuticals after over 30 years of employment.

Michael is survived by his wife of over 55 years, Dee, their son Chris Hughes, granddaughter Mia Hughes, grandson Tyler Hughes, son Kurt Newsom (adopted via the heart), sister, Linda Barousse and many aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews and cousins.

Michael and Dee's son and grandson are Insulin Dependant Type 1 diabetics. In lieu of flowers a donation can be made to the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation in Michaels memory.

A Celebration of Life will be held at a later date.

James Funeral Home is assisting the family, online condolences may be made at www.jamesfuneralhomelkn.com.



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KC

Katie-Rose Crater posted:

My sweet friend. Michael, I am so grateful for your joy, generosity, kindness and the positive impact you made on this earth. I will carry you in my heart.

March 3 at 12:20 PM

DH

Diane Huis posted:

I met Michael on one of my first Tour de Cure bike rides to raise money for diabetes. That event started a passion in me to fundraise for a cure for Type 1, something that Michael and I (as a T1D myself) shared a passion for. Although I didn't know him well personally, I always appreciated his words of support and all that he did for people with Type 1 like me, his son, and grandson. My thoughts and prayers are with his family.

March 2 at 5:25 PM

SK

Sandy King lit a candle in honor of Michael.

Dee and family I am so very sorry for your loss. Micheal was a great person he always stopped and talked with us at the hospital Information desk. he always talked about his family and was a wonderful person. I'm sending prayers and love to you all .Sandy King



March 1 at 2:39 PM

DM

Daphne Mckay posted:

Dee, so sorry for your great loss. Great memories linger forever. Treasure them dearly. Sending prayers for comfort for you and your loving family.

February 14 at 5:00 PM



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JW

Jack Weldon posted:

Dee, Ann and I are so saddened and sorry to hear about Michael's Passing on Feb 8th. He was such a good friend and big supporter of me after hiring me in 1988. He inspired me to always give my very best in life as well as my job. He truly loved life and spoke of his loving family often. He will certainly be missed by all of us who knew him but remembered for his love of life and desires to make others better. Ann and I pray that God will comfort you and the family during this difficult time. But, know Michael is now resting in his heavenly father's arms and will never be forgotten by those of us who were fortunate to have known him.

February 14 at 2:16 PM

GA

Gary Abbott lit a candle in honor of Michael.



Michael was a very special person in my life. He gave me my first big career opportunity when he hired me in 1988 at Novartis Pharmaceuticals. He was a great coach, mentor and most important, a great friend. In 1998 I returned the favor and brought Michael into Novartis Oncology where we once again worked together on the same team. He immediately made a huge impact and was beloved by all. Dee, you were the love of his life as he always talked about you and how much he cared and loved you and his family. Kerri and I are here for you for anything you need as Kerri and I thought the world of Michael and we do you as well. If there's one silver lining in all this it's knowing Michael is in a better place. I'm sure he's up there now telling his many jokes to anyone who will listen. While we miss him dearly, one day we'll see him again. Until then R.I.P. buddy!

February 14 at 10:06 AM

JH

Jim Holt posted:

Michael and I met in 1998 when we joined Gary Abbott in the Charlotte Oncology district. I Liked him right away. We enjoyed many professional successes as teammates. He was a pleasure to work with. We became fast friends and enjoyed staying in touch after we both retired. He will be sorely missed. Michael will be getting that new body in heaven. See you one day buddy. ❤️

February 13 at 8:42 AM

PT

Paul Taylor posted:

Mike was an incredible man so full of life. I liked him the first time we met. Dee we love you and are here for you if you need anything. He's in heaven with his lungs fully working!!

February 13 at 6:11 AM



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Andy Footo posted:

Such a great picture of Michael. I had the good fortune to meet Michael over 25 years ago at Novartis. I admired his courage to speak up to try to make Novartis a better organization. He always kept patients first. I will miss his humor and quick wit and Angela and I will miss the dives with him and spending time in the Caribbean with both he and Dee. Rest well my friend.

February 13 at 5:39 AM



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February 11 at 8:28 AM



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



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