



Mr. Michael J. DiMarino

July 22, 1939 - December 9, 2021

Myrtle Beach...

"There Was No One Else Like Him"

Born on a hospital ship in Boston Harbor to Vincent DiMarino and Mary (Salerno) DiMarino, Michael James DiMarino truly was a self-made man. Starting at the age of 13, he worked retail in East Boston to earn his tuition money for Boston College High School. In his "gap year" before college, he purchased a triple decker house, fixed it up, and sold it at a profit, all while working as a machinist at General Electric. At Boston College, he experienced a Jesuit, Catholic education. As a physics major, he studied with a core group of smart young men who, along with their families, became lifelong friends. As a romantic, he met and married BC nursing student Barbara Slomkowski. His teaching career began at Newman Prep in Boston's Back Bay. The 1968 yearbook was dedicated to Mr. DiMarino, better known as "Mr. D". When Mike and Barbara decided to start a family, he left teaching in 1969 and opened DiMarino's Bakery in Braintree, Massachusetts.

Mike was predeceased by his parents and his first wife, Barbara (Slomkowski) DiMarino. His legacy continues through his sons, David DiMarino and Peter DiMarino, and grandchildren. David's family includes his wife, Maria, as well as Hunter, Christian, Isabella and Charles Heffner, Dru and Josue. Peter's

children are Linaea, Madison, Alex, and Collin. Michael also embraced his blended family, Brian and Anne (Steers) Pendleton and their children, Peter, Elizabeth, John, Michael, Timothy, and Aleithia, Dr. Rebecca Steers, and Dr. Stanley Steers. He was deeply loved by his wife and care partner, Kathleen (Zajac Steers) DiMarino.

A connoisseur of military history, and history in general, he was always willing to have a conversation with anyone. Mike knew how to work hard, and how to relax. He felt pride to be a member of the Conway Rotary Club for the good work that they do and the fellowship. Michael loved math, chess, boating navigation, Winston Churchill, and sudoku puzzles. His special talent, his persona, made people feel better about themselves.

A funeral mass will be celebrated at 12:00 Noon on Tuesday, December 21, 2021 at St. James Catholic Church with Father Oscar Borda officiating. Inurnment will follow at the church columbarium. You may view the service live via the Church website, www.stjamesconway.org or after the service on their Youtube website link.

Due to COVID-19 and CDC regulations, masks and social distancing will be required.

A Celebration of Life will also be held in the spring.

Parkinson's disease is not easy, but Mike never lost his spirit, nor his love for those around him. Mike found success both in business and in teaching. He was known for the quality in his bakery yet was happiest in his math classroom. Keeping that in mind, if you wish to donate in his memory, please do so reflecting how he lived: www.newmanboston.org/support or www.BChigh.edu/Give

Please sign the online guest book at www.goldfinchfuneralhome.com

Goldfinch Funeral Home, Conway Chapel is in charge of the arrangements.

Previous Events

Mass

DEC **21**. 12:00 PM (ET)

St. James Catholic Church
1071 Academy Drive
Conway, SC 29526
<http://www.stjamesconway.org/>

Inurnment

DEC **21**. 1:15 PM.

St. James Catholic Church Columbarium

Tribute Wall

JS

“ Very sorry to hear about the loss to Mr. DiMario's family. I met Mr. DiMarino in September of 1963 at the Newman School for Boys as my 9th grade algebra instructor. He was a wonderful and extremely talented instructor @ Newman. I was a member of his beloved Chess Club at Newman and today at my age of 73 I play chess @ The Villages Chess Club of Florida every day at one of our Recreation Centers. I moved to Braintree, Massachusetts in 1976 and met him many times at his bakery (DiMarino's Bakery) and we loved his bakery products. Also at his Braintree Video Store he owned. Moved to Florida in 2015 after my career as an Accountant for 40 years. My career in numbers was influenced in my teenage years by this wonderful man. Thank You Michael J. DiMarino for guiding me to achieve a degree from Bentley University and my career in numbers.

Joseph E Schultz
Graduating Class of 1967
Newman School for Boys

Joseph E. Schultz - January 22, 2022 at 03:41 PM

KD

Thank you for writing. His years at Newman were the highlights of his professional career. You well represent the students he remembered with pride.

Kathleen DiMarino - January 30, 2022 at 12:58 PM

HL

“ *Harry Lynch of Newman School (retired) writing. Mike was absolutely "one of a kind": through the years his students remembered him fondly, always recalling his quick sense of humor, his energetic instruction, his high standards, and his kindness.*

Mike and his entire family are in my prayers. Here was a life well-lived!

Harry Lynch - January 10, 2022 at 02:23 PM

KD

Thank you for remembering Mike. He would often comment on having learned so much from working with good men.

Kathleen DiMarino - January 30, 2022 at 01:04 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Mr. Michael J. DiMarino.*



December 20, 2021 at 09:20 AM

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“ *SHELIA LOCKLEAR lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael J. DiMarino*



SHELIA LOCKLEAR - December 17, 2021 at 03:37 PM

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Kathleen - December 14, 2021 at 05:04 PM

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