



Michael S. Henry

May 9, 2018

Michael Stoddard Henry, beloved husband, father, son, brother, uncle, and friend, lost his long battle with cancer on May 9, 2018. A native Floridian, Mike graduated from the University of Florida and was a life-long Gator fan. He joined Mote Marine Laboratory as a chemist in 1987 and worked to better understand and protect the ocean for over 30 years. He was a Deacon of First Sarasota Baptist Church and treasured being able to help and serve others. Most dear to his heart was his family and he was infinitely proud of every member – both near and far. We will honor him in the way we live, love, laugh and spend time together outdoors.

A Celebration of Life service and reception will be held on Saturday, May 26, 2018 at 2:00 pm in the Christian Life Center of Sarasota Alliance Church, 7221 Bee Ridge Rd, Sarasota, FL 34241. In honor of Mike, please dress in the 'colors of the sea' (blues) for this informal, family/kid-friendly celebration. He loved good food and fellowship so in this spirit, smoked meat and drinks are provided. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share. In lieu of flowers, if you would like to make a donation in Mike's name please consider one of these options; The Bonnie J. Addario Lung Cancer Foundation (<https://www.supportalcf.org/2018-tcs-new-york-city-marathon/JulieHenry>), College fund for our children, Tasman and Kepler (<https://www.gofundme.com/mikeskidscollegefund>), or the Mote Marine Laboratory's research on water quality and harmful algal blooms (<https://mote.org/support/donate>).

Tribute Wall

KB

“ *What a great guy!*

Kristie Bryan - August 01, 2018 at 12:00 AM

MH

“ *Did not learn of Michael's passing until Sunday May 27; therefore, we did not attend his Celebration of Life. Hearts are broken . Michael was the nicest person you could ever know. No character flaws; just sweetness and goodness. The happiest days of his life were spent with his wife Julie, and their children. The children learned by example from their father the values that will sustain them through life. God bless you Michael. We love you. From Aunt Marty, Gail, Tim, and Barney. Please accept our gift for \$100.00 for the Children's Fund.*

Margaret Smith Henry - May 28, 2018 at 12:00 AM

KZ

“ *I met Mike as a kid when I'd be playing with Erin & he'd come home to visit! Always so caring, silly, happy, & took time to make everyone feel special. My thoughts & prayers are with his family. I know he loved being a dad & was so proud.*

Kelly Zoucha - May 26, 2018 at 12:00 AM

EM

“ Our thoughts and prayers go out to Michael's family. I did not know him personally but knew of his valiant fight against cancer and prayed for him many times. His father was our family doctor since I was about 10 years old (now 72). Comforted by the thought that he is safely home in the arms of the Savior and is whole again. No more sorrow, no more pain. Prayers continue for his family.

Elsie McCord - May 24, 2018 at 12:00 AM

LF

“ Dear Julie and children, Allie and Bob, and extended family,

Mike was a very special man, and I consider it a privilege to know him. We can celebrate his life and rest in the assurance that he has received the ultimate healing. May you find solace in remembering his love for you and the many people he touched.

Grief never ends but it changes. Its a passage, not a place to stay. Grief is not a sign of weakness, nor a lack of faith It is the price of love.

*With love and prayers to you,
Linda*

LINDA` FRANKLIN - May 21, 2018 at 12:00 AM