



James Michael "Mike" Sciortino

November 27, 1942 - April 27, 2024

James Michael "Mike" Sciortino, 81, formerly of Cape Girardeau, met his Heavenly Father Saturday, April 27, 2024 at Jackson Manor Nursing Home in Jackson, Missouri.

He was born November 27, 1942 in Cape Girardeau to Joseph John and Gladys Sutton Sciortino.

He and Lana Marie Brewer were married on July 11, 1965, in New Madrid, Missouri. She preceded him in death August 18, 2015.

He graduated from Cape Catholic High School in Cape Girardeau in 1960. Following graduation, he attended the St. Louis School of Barbering and worked as a barber for several years before going to work for American Greeting Card Company. It was there that Mike learned how to engrave, which became both a passion and a gift throughout his life. He was most proud of his engraving of The Last Supper and his praying hands. It brought him so much joy to share copies of his work with others, and he continued this hobby until much later in life.

Mike worked for Procter and Gamble for 30 years before retiring in the late 90's. Following his retirement, he worked for Cape Toyota driving the courtesy shuttle, where he enjoyed meeting new people each day.

Mike saw a large gap in support and services for children with autism after his grandson was diagnosed 22 years ago. With limited knowledge on the subject, he educated himself by speaking with anyone he could find. He poured his heart into trying to create a community of parents, educators and officials to diagnose and provide treatment locally to those in need. He also helped start Sensory Saturday at the movie theatre, which allowed individuals with special needs to enjoy movies in a comfortable environment.

Survivors include two daughters: Leighanne (Dale) Collier Colorado Springs, Colorado and Susan (Brent) Pfeiffer of Cape Girardeau; sister, Jane (Jerry) Meesey of Colorado; grandsons, Ethan Collier and Johnathan Pfeiffer; and granddaughter, Graysen Marie Pfeiffer.

He was preceded in death by his parents; wife; and two sisters, Mary Susan Kinder and Jo Ann Schnur.

Friends may call 3:00 pm to 6:00 pm on Thursday, May 2, 2024 at Ford & Sons Mt. Auburn Chapel in Cape Girardeau.

Memorial service will follow at 6:00 pm Thursday, May 2, 2024 at Ford & Sons Mt. Auburn Chapel in Cape Girardeau with the Rev. Gerald Collier officiating.

Interment will be at Cape County Memorial Park Mausoleum in Cape Girardeau at a later time.

Memorial contributions may be given to ALS Association.

The family wishes to thank Jackson Manor and its wonderful staff for truly making it his home. The community of friends, residents, and caregivers always made him feel loved and cared for.

Cemetery Details

Cape County Memorial Park Mausoleum

2315 Highway 61 N
Cape Girardeau, MO 63701

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 2. 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

Ford and Sons Mt. Auburn Chapel
1001 N. Mt. Auburn Rd.
Cape Girardeau, MO 63701

Memorial Service

MAY 2. 6:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

LE

“ 10 files added to the album mike



Leighanne - May 06, 2024 at 10:17 AM

BG

“ *I am so glad to have called you friend Mike, you were a true gem. Your days from here forward will be filled with so much joy— till we meet again*

Bruce Gerecke - April 30, 2024 at 09:34 AM

BS

“ *Leigh and Susan
Your Dad was one of the finest men that we ever had the privilege to take care of at Jackson Manor.
He was always so compassionate with all the residents.
Wi ll never forget his smiling face.
You are in our prayers.*

Barbara Sides

Barbara Sides - April 30, 2024 at 06:56 AM

RA

“ Mike was one of the best people I ever had the pleasure of working with!! He was always happy, always smiling, just always made you feel better just to see him.
He was a bright spot on earth and will be in heaven! Rest easy.

Ramona - April 29, 2024 at 07:11 PM

WJ

“ I worked with Mike for year at P&G he was one that you loved working with always happy I will miss Mike



Willie C Jones - April 29, 2024 at 04:22 PM

WL

“ With love, Cory Cannataro and Joe Lee purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of James Michael "Mike" Sciortino.



With love, Cory Cannataro and Joe Lee - April 29, 2024 at 11:34 AM