



## Michael J. Stanbrough

July 26, 1943 - December 25, 2018

Michael J. Stanbrough passed away Christmas Day in Olympia, Washington. He was born in Eureka, California and graduated from San Jose State University with a degree in Environmental Health. He worked his way through college by selling shoes at Florsheim Shoes – always very proud of the fact that he won top salesman each year for selling the most women’s slippers at Christmas time. Mike worked for several years as a county health inspector until he realized that he was happiest “in sales”. After selling dental x-ray units, he decided to join Nalco Chemical Company. His successful career in sales and marketing lead him to work and move his family to many different areas including northern and southern California, Alaska, Hawaii and Louisiana. Mike and his wife Pam also lived in Singapore for 3 ½ years and then New Zealand for a year loving every minute of both assignments. After retiring from Nalco in 2001, Mike consulted for Nalco traveling monthly to Poland and Russia and then decided he wasn’t done yet so he and Pam bought a bed and breakfast in Sonoma County and ran that for 8 years when they finally really retired to Kailua Kona, Hawaii, in 2012. Mike will be remembered for his joke telling ability, his love of fly fishing and his dedication to his family.

Mike is survived by Pam (Manor) Stanbrough, whom he celebrated 50 years of marriage together this past June; his children Jason (Heather) Stanbrough and Meegan (Kyle) Cronk; his grandchildren Coen, Brody and Lexi Cronk,

Lucy and Sam Merrill. He was preceded in death by his father, Ralph Stanbrough; his mother, Carol Cleveland and step father, Dale Cleveland; his step brother, Craig Cleveland; his brother, Don Stanbrough; and his sister, Barbara Schiavone.

A memorial mass of Christian Burial will be held 10:00 a.m. Friday, January 4th at St. Dominic's Church, 475 East I Street, Benicia, CA. Burial will be private At St. Dominic's Cemetery. Arrangements are under the direction of Passalacqua Funeral Chapel, Benicia, CA. Please visit the online tribute at [www.passalacquafuneralchapel.com](http://www.passalacquafuneralchapel.com) The family prefers donations to St. Michael the Archangel Catholic Church Debt Reduction/Bldg Fund 75-5769 Alii Drive, Kailua Kona, HI 96740 or Lung Cancer Research Foundation at [lungcancerresearchfoundation.org](http://lungcancerresearchfoundation.org)

# Previous Events

## Mass of Christian Burial

JAN 4. 10:00 AM (PT)

St. Dominics  
475 East I Street  
Benicia, CA

# Tribute Wall



“ *Michael J. Stanbrough*

November 29, 2022 at 08:20 PM



“ *Very sorry to hear of Mike's passing. We were high school classmates, and he was a really good guy. Always full of enthusiasm (which made him a great cheerleader), wonderful personality, and never a bad word about anyone. He was the kind of person who helped make school and school-related activities more fun. It was a pleasure knowing him, and my sympathies to his family.*

**Riley E Dunlap** - January 04, 2019 at 12:16 PM



“ *Pretty Please was purchased for the family of Michael J. Stanbrough.*



January 03, 2019 at 11:20 AM



“ *Mike greeted everyone with a big smile. He definitely was quite a character. I worked with him at Nalco both in California and in the Pacific, from Cebu to Rotorua. He enjoyed life. My sincerest condolences to Pam and the rest of the family.*

*Linda Robertson*

**Linda Robertson** - January 02, 2019 at 08:38 PM

GR

“ Having worked with Mike (and Pam) at Nalco for many, many years we will cherish all the wonderful memories and good times we had together. Mike was a special person who had the best outlook and attitude and was always happy and smiling. He will be greatly missed by all who knew him. Much love to Pam, Meegan, Jason, grandchildren and all his family. Sincerely, Gloria & George Rivera

Gloria Rivera - January 02, 2019 at 01:25 PM

WA

“ I remember working with Mike on several occasions. Always prepared and great to work with.

William Albrecht - January 01, 2019 at 09:40 PM

SC

“ This breaks my heart. I am so sorry. Love and prayers for the family. He joined the rest of his family on his Moms birthday. Craigs favorite was " I would rather bare the shame then bare the pain." When passing gas that is what he claims his brother Mike always told him.

Sheila Cleveland - December 31, 2018 at 08:03 PM

AP

“ Mike was such a big personality, the room came alive when he entered it, especially whwn he announced things with the "gong". He will be missed. Our live and sympathy to Pam, Megan, Jason and all the family❤️



ann pearman - December 30, 2018 at 12:26 PM

BM

*SORRY TO HEAR ABOUT MIKE'S PASSING. MIKE AND I WERE FRIENDS AT DEL NORTE HIGH SCHOOL IN CRESCENT CITY, CA CLASS OF '61. IN THE WINTER OF '63 WE WERE ROOMATES AT HUMBOLDT STATE. LIKE A LOT OF CLASSMATES WE LOST TOUCH WITH EACH OTHER OVER THE YEARS. THE LAST TIME I SAW AND TALKED TO HIM WAS OUR 31ST CLASS REUNION. I ALWAYS ENJOYED HIS GOOFY WAYS. HE WAS A CHARACTER. REST IN PEACE MY FRIEND. BRUCE MILNE .*

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**BRUCE MILNE** - January 02, 2019 at 12:25 PM

DH

*So many happy memories with Mike and his family. He certainly will be missed but he lives in our hearts. You couldn't ask for a better loyal friendship. Mikes's nature would light up a room and put smiles on everyone. When I think of him I smile. Mark and I have lost our best friend. This is not a goodbye, but until we meet again. Heaven is smiling. Mark and Dorothy Holland*

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**Dorothy Holland** - January 06, 2019 at 01:21 PM