



Michael Cowan Emmett

October 26, 1954 - January 31, 2022

Michael Cowan Emmett of New Port Richey, Florida passed away at the age of 67 on January 31, 2022. He was lovingly surrounded by his wife and children as he passed into eternal life.

He was born October 26, 1954 on the south side of Chicago to Corean and Bill Emmett. Mike's dad worked for the Rock Island railroad and from a young age together they would go to the train station to watch the trains arrive and depart. It's this memory of this time with his Dad that Mike would begin a life long love of trains. As a father himself, Mike enjoyed traveling by train with his family experiencing the different routes Amtrak provided across the U.S.

Mike graduated from Morton West H.S. in 1972. It was there that he met his future wife, Ginny De Stefano, at age 16. Mike went on to earn his bachelor's degree from Drake University in Iowa in 1976. Mike headed back to Chicago and entered the Chicago Police Academy graduating in 1977. It was at the 10th district (Marquette) located at 23rd and Damen that he found his calling in life. Mike found that he loved police work. As a patrolman assigned to a beat car, he did his work with dedication and pride. When he wasn't working the tenth district, Mike worked "Special Employment" for the City of Chicago on the CTA buses and trains and at the Chicago Housing Authority providing police services for various city housing projects. Mike was employed by the Illinois College of Optometry as security officer. Mike worked 2-3 jobs a week for many years to earn extra money. Mike moved into Forensic Services in 2004 working out of the Chicago south office. He retired from the Chicago Police Department February 15, 2015 serving the people of Chicago for 38 years. Mike enjoyed the camaraderie of his fellow officers and had many life-long friends through the CPD.

Mike loved reading, especially westerns and police stories. He had an amazing memory and enjoyed discussing history and politics. He loved animals, the White Sox, his South Side Irish heritage and putting hot sauce on everything.

Mike was extremely proud of his two children, Bridget and Robert. He taught them how to navigate the big city by car, bus and "L". When they left home as young adults there was never a doubt they would be able to find their way regardless of what city they lived in. He taught them how to shoot, what to do if they got pulled over and introduced them to the

best food in the city of Chicago. On long road trips to visit family in Texas, Robert and Bridget learned of their father's love of classic country music, Rush Limbaugh and conservative talk radio. Mike was a loving and generous dad that provided so many opportunities for his kids. He loved to see them succeed whether it was a dance performance, Trinity swim team, Clear-Ridge baseball, the Flames basketball team and especially in their education and careers. Both Robert and Bridget have honored their Dad well.

Mike was the love of her life and beloved husband of Ginny (DeStefano); devoted father of Robert Emmett and Bridget (Casey) Trosin; loving "Gramps" of William and Anna Trosin. Preceded to Heaven by parents, Corean and Bill Emmett and Mike's step-father, Fred Ackermann. Beloved son-in-law of Ginny De Stefano and the late Carl De Stefano; Dear nephew of Marj Frederiksen; Fond cousin of Michelle Emmett, Larry (late Paulette) Lux, Bob (Judy) Lux. Dear brother-in-law of Carl (Dena) De Stefano; Jim (Allison) De Stefano; Terry (Ernie) Monaco; Judy De Stefano; Carol (Brian) Kelly. "Uncle Mike" to many nieces and nephews.

Mike also leaves behind his CPD friends --his band of brothers--who meant the world to him.

A Memorial Visitation in honor of Mike is scheduled for Sunday, June 5, 2022 at Foran Funeral Home, 7300 W. Archer Ave. (55th Street just west of Harlem)from 1 PM until 5 PM with a Service in Celebration of Mike's Life at 4 PM.

Family and Friends are invited to meet on Monday June 6, 2022 at St. Daniel the Prophet Church for a 10 AM Mass. Michael will be buried at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery

Cemetery Details

Holy Sepulchre Cemetery

6001 W 111th St
Alsip, IL 60803

Previous Events

Memorial Visitation

JUN 5. 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM (CT)

Foran Funeral Home - Summit
7300 West Archer Ave
Summit, IL 60501
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<https://www.foranfuneralhome.com/>

Celebration of Life Service

JUN 5. 4:00 PM (CT)

Foran Funeral Home - Summit
7300 West Archer Ave
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Memorial Mass

JUN 6. 10:00 AM (CT)

St. Daniel the Prophet Church
5358 South Nashville
Chicago, IL 60638

Tribute Wall



“ *Foran Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Michael Cowan Emmett*



Foran Funeral Home - June 05 at 01:40 PM



“ *60 files added to the album LifeTributes*



Foran Funeral Home - June 05 at 01:36 PM



“ *Heartfelt and prayerful condolences from the Chicago Police Chaplains. Mike will be remembered at the next Police Mass.*

In the meantime, may family and friends know the healing touch of our all-loving, all-merciful God! [Police Chaplains Ministry: www.ChicagoPCM.org or 312/738-7588]

~ ~ **Fr. Dan Brandt, CPD Chaplain** - May 20 at 12:02 AM