



William Michael "Mick" Ulmer

November 26, 1935 - September 22, 2020

William Michael "Mick" Ulmer, 84 of Bluffton, passed away on Tuesday afternoon, September 22, 2020, at Ossian Health & Rehab. Center in Ossian. Mick was born on November 26, 1935 in Allen County to Ralph & Evelyn (Watkins) Ulmer. A 1953 graduate of Bluffton High School, Mick served his country in the US Army from 1956 to 1958. He was a classically trained pianist and was a proficient musician with brass instruments, particularly the trombone. Mick enjoyed working as a Letter Carrier for the Bluffton Post Office for 40 years and retired in 1995.

On June 1, 1958 in Liberty Center, Mick and Phyllis A. (Mounsey) were married and have celebrated 62 years of marriage together.

Survivors include his wife Phyllis of Ossian and their children; Gary (Pam) Ulmer of Covington GA, Kent (Tracey) Ulmer of Bluffton and Lisa (Tim) Eichler of Ossian. He was a loving grandpa to Ashley Ulmer, Tara (Geoff) Cocanower, Trisha (Landon) Stoller, Tyler (Haley) Ulmer, Jason (Jena) Eichler, Alex (Cassi) Eichler and Trevor Eichler. Mick also was a proud G-Pa to Kambree and Marshall Stoller and Otto Eichler. He was preceded in death by his sister Connie Grissel and is mourned by the many extended family members.

In his free time, he was an avid fisherman and enjoyed watching a good bird dog work a covey of quail. Mick coached baseball in Bluffton for many years starting with the American Legion Team in the early 1960's and culminating with teen league in the late 1970's. In later years, he enjoyed watching golf and made a trip to Augusta for the Masters. His greatest thrill was a trip to

Indiana University to watch the Hoosiers play basketball. He was also a lifelong St. Louis Cardinal fan.

He was the Grand Marshal of the Street Fair Parade in 1995 and was a 50 year member - two time Past Master of Masonic Lodge #145 of Bluffton. He was a member of the Fort Wayne Scottish Rite and was awarded the Meritorious Service Award. He was the Potentate (1995) of Mizpah Shrine in Fort Wayne and was involved in the Band and the Masquers Jazz band. He was also a member of American Legion Post # 111 of Bluffton and a longtime member of Calvary Lutheran Church.

His was truly a life well lived and he will be forever missed by all who knew him.

Visitation will be held from 1 to 4 & 5 to 8 on Sunday (Oct. 11, 2020) at the Wells County 4-H Community Center located at 1240 4-H Road – Bluffton. A Masonic Memorial Service will take place at 8 P.M. on Sunday at the conclusion of visitation.

A Celebration of Life Service will be held at 10 A.M. on Monday (Oct. 12, 2020) at the Wells County 4-H Community Center with Pastor T. J. Lynch officiating and visitation for one hour prior to the service.

The safety of the family and all visitors is our utmost priority. For everyone's safety, we ask that you practice social distancing. Masks are required for visitation and for Mick's service both being held at the Wells County 4-H Community Center. We appreciate your cooperation and patience.

In lieu of flowers, please send memorials in Mick's memory to: Shriners Hospitals for Children, Alzheimer's Foundation of America, or the Calvary Lutheran Church.

Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the care of the Thoma/Rich,

Lemler Funeral Home in Bluffton. Friends can send online condolences to the Ulmer family at www.thomarich.com

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT 11. 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Wells Community Center 4 - H Park
1240 4-H Park Road
Bluffton, IN 46714

Visitation

OCT 11. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Wells Community Center 4 - H Park
1240 4-H Park Road
Bluffton, IN 46714

MASONIC MEMORIAL SERVICE

OCT 11. 8:00 PM (ET)

Wells Community Center 4 - H Park
1240 4-H Park Road
Bluffton, IN 46714

Visitation

OCT 12. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (ET)

Wells Community Center 4 - H Park
1240 4-H Park Road
Bluffton, IN 46714

Celebration of Life Service

OCT **12**. 10:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of William Michael "Mick" Ulmer*



Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home - October 11, 2020 at 11:22 AM



“ *William Michael "Mick" Ulmer*

September 08, 2022 at 08:26 PM



“ *I am sorry to hear about the passing of Mick. Had good conversations with him at the Shrine. He will be missed.*
Darrell E. Yager

Darrell E. Yager - October 10, 2020 at 01:35 PM



“ 179 files added to the album *LifeTributes*



Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home - October 09, 2020 at 11:51 AM

CM

Condolences to the Ulmer Family. I have very fond memories of Dad and Mick together at work and at play. Also, remember the good times at the house near Murray. He will surely be missed.

Cindy Rush Michaels

Also, I informed Mom (Esther Rush) once I found out and she wanted to let the family know that she is very sorry for your loss.

Cindy Michaels - October 09, 2020 at 07:45 PM

MF

“ *My Condolences to the Ulmer Family. I will remember Mick as a gracious, kind, and very patient man. Whether it was as a Mailman, Church Member, or Baseball Coach. Maybe, especially his patience as my coach. ~ Mike Falk*

Mike Falk - October 05, 2020 at 04:07 PM

TC

“ The families of Karen Collum purchased the Share the Health for the family of William Michael "Mick" Ulmer.



The families of Karen Collum - October 04, 2020 at 09:01 PM

CM

“ Phyllis, Gary, Kent, Lisa and Family, So sorry to hear of Mick's passing. He was a great mailman and a great guy. I know he was proud of his whole family, and he will be missed by all of you. Just wanted you to know that Wayne and I are thinking about you during this saddest of times. Cindy and Wayne Monticue



Cindy Monticue - September 29, 2020 at 02:46 AM

CC

“ You will be greatly missed partner. My condolences, thoughts and prayers to all of the family. Thanks for letting me be a part.

Love,

Courtny Clayton and family



C. Clayton - September 24, 2020 at 12:23 PM

LE

You were awesome with him. Thank you

Lisa Eichler - September 28, 2020 at 01:38 PM

JU

“ *Mick was my cousin and I enjoyed growing up with him. He was always so nice and friendly. I remember when he started working at the post office and worked there for many years. One thing I remember is how well he could play the piano. God bless him. Jack Ulmer*

Jack Ulmer - September 23, 2020 at 08:31 PM

DG

“ *Sorry to learn of Mick's passing. We had a lot of great times fishing together. Mick always had one great fishing story that would always top the one I was telling. He was always willing to lend a helping hand when you asked him. We had a lot of great conversations. Mick will truly be missed. The Ulmer family will be in our prayers. Dan and Darlene Gerdom*



Dan Gerdom - September 22, 2020 at 07:55 PM

BS

Mick was a great Friend. He. Once was our leader in Masquers mizpah. Also a big help in for us in Porkys Chops with his wife!!. Lots of good memories. May you rest in peace Nobel!!

Bruce Shilling - September 27, 2020 at 03:49 PM

LE

He cherished your friendship

Lisa Eichler - September 28, 2020 at 01:37 PM

RB

Mick was truly a special person to our family for getting our grandson in the Shriner medical care for children. The way Mick went out of his way to get Hunter into the Shriners and kept track over the years, will never be forgotten! God Bless you always Mick for all the kids you helped over the many years.

Bob & Linda Buehl

Robert Buehl - September 28, 2020 at 07:56 PM

WN

Phyllis, Willis and I were so sorry to hear about the passing of Mick. Please know you and your family are in our thoughts and prayers.

Willis and Eleanor Nussbaum - September 30, 2020 at 03:04 PM

JH

I am sorry to hear of Mick's passing. I enjoyed my limited time knowing him. It was my pleasure to observe the love of his family for him. His life was well lived . You have my sincere condolences.

James H Houck - October 06, 2020 at 03:26 PM