



Michael Joseph Nappi

October 5, 1935 - February 11, 2023

Michael Joseph Nappi, a 25 year resident of Heritage Hills in Somers, NY died on February 11, 2023. Michael was born in Mt. Kisco, NY on October 5, 1935 to Francesco Nappi and Michela Serpe Nappi. He attended Mt. Kisco High School and graduated in 1953. In 1955, he enrolled in St. Joseph Seminary and graduated in 1961. He was ordained a Catholic priest in the New York metropolitan area, faithfully serving his parishioners for 7 years. Upon leaving the priesthood in 1968, he attended Western Connecticut State University where he prepared himself for a career in education. In 1970 he began teaching at John Jay Middle School in the Katonah-Lewisboro School District where he was an adored 7th and 9th grade social studies teacher until his retirement in 1995. As a teacher, Michael's greatest gift was cultivating meaningful and enduring connections - with a talent for humor and an award-winning smile. That "Big Stick" in the corner of his classroom was more than a prop - it was a subtle, yet powerful symbol that inspired his students to achieve their true potential. Michael married his beloved wife of 54 years, Allana Maikish Nappi, on September 28, 1968 and dedicated himself to being a devoted and loving husband and father. Michael and Allana raised their two boys in Lake McGregor and Bedford Hills, while enjoying frequent trips to a second home in Vermont. He welcomed with open arms his two daughters- in-law and cherished every moment he spent with his grandchildren. His son, Michael (Kimberly), predeceased him in 2012. In addition to his wife, he is survived by his son Andrew (Linda), granddaughter Samantha, grandson

Ryan, and many nieces and nephews. Michael was the youngest of 14 children - all who have gone home to God. We will forever love and miss our Pop-Pop!

Previous Events

Memorial Visitation

MAR 1. 3:30 PM - 7:30 PM (ET)

Dwyer & Michael's Funeral Home
90 North Broadway
Tarrytown, NY 10591
(914) 631-0621
info@dwyerichaels.com
<https://www.dwyermichaelsfh.com>

Memorial Mass

MAR 2. 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Francis of Assisi Parish
2 Green St,
Mt. Kisco, NY 10549

Tribute Wall

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“ I was very lucky to meet Mike and Allana, and family, in Manchester VT. I always enjoyed time spent with them. Mike's knowledge, wisdom, humor, smile I will certainly miss. He was a great listener, and always offered his kind, thoughtful advice with very genuine concern. This world need many more Mike's, and definitely a tremendously great soul for this world to lose. I miss you very Much Mike. Prayers to Allana, Andrew and family!
Patrick & Carmelle Sullivan

Patrick Sullivan - October 19, 2024 at 12:26 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Michael Joseph Nappi.



March 01, 2023 at 03:04 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Michael Joseph Nappi.



March 01, 2023 at 02:27 PM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Michael Joseph Nappi.*



February 27, 2023 at 03:36 PM



“ *Mike “Mr. Nappi” was a beloved social studies teacher. I have many fond memories from 9th grade Social Studies class. He was innovative, insightful, creative teacher. He is one of the rare ones who was a natural when it came to working with his students. He knew how to instruct, assess, and excite his learners. He was a kind soul with a big heart! Years after being his student I returned to John Jay - as an educator this time. We were colleagues for almost a year before he retired. I’m so glad I got to know Mike as a student, a colleague, and as a friend. He was a blessing to us all” and will be missed sorely.*

Guy Amdur - February 19, 2023 at 09:39 PM



“ *Thoughts and prayers for you and the family Andrew.*

- Scott V. & Family

Scott Van Valkenburgh - February 16, 2023 at 06:50 PM



“ *Mr. Nappi was one of my favorite teachers at John Jay Junior High. My condolences and prayers to his family. 🙏🙏*
Richard Cogswell.

Richard Cogswell - February 16, 2023 at 05:24 PM

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“ I was privileged to serve Fr. Nappi's last celebration of Mass at Immaculate Conception Church. Although I was pretty young, I knew it was a pretty significant event for Fr. Nappi. When we got back to the Sacristy he made a comment about all the rumors that would soon start going round about why he was leaving. Rest in Peace Michael.
Paul Gallagher

Paul Gallagher - February 15, 2023 at 04:07 PM

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“ Mr. Nappi was one of my most influential teachers--I was a terrible student and probably a true menace in his class, but he went out of his way to connect with me and support me--he did not adjust his expectations of me. Year later when I made what for my teachers was probably a shocking decision to become a middle school teacher myself, he was one of the first teachers I tried to find to tell. He had a great sense of humor and I will forever remember the "big stick" in the corner of his classroom. I also knew his son Mike well--a person we lost way too soon. Sending lots of love to Mr. Nappi's family in the face of this tremendous loss.

Lilli Ross - February 13, 2023 at 11:15 AM

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I worked with Mike at JJMS, and we were in the same 7th grade team. He was beloved by the students we shared. Sending prayers and condolences to his family at this time.

Lucretia Pannozzo - February 19, 2023 at 01:59 PM