



Michael Dennis Pietzke

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Michael Dennis Pietzke passed away July 2, 2018 in Tacoma, Washington. He was born August 24, 1946 in Honolulu, Hawaii to Aaron and Etheldine Pietzke. He had an older half-brother, Clayton and was the oldest of three full siblings, David, Robert and Elizabeth. He grew up in Tacoma, Washington and enrolled in the US Army the day after he graduated from high school. Michael served in Viet Nam. While in Viet Nam he typed special orders for high security – including some to the president of the United States. He started a bowling group for recreation and quickly gained popularity with the officers. He spent 4 years in the Army.

When he arrived home, he worked at Value Mart. He met his first wife Gail Robinson through a mutual friend. They were married in March 1971. In 1973 Michael began working for the US Post Office as a mail sorter and teller. He enjoyed bowling, basketball, handball, co-ed softball. They had three children Betty, Michael and Jennifer. As a family they enjoyed camping and traveling to the coast, the Redwood Forest and various destinations.

After the divorce from Gail, Michael married Sylvia Anderson in January 1988. They had three children Kathyne, Lena-Marie, and Charles. Their family traveled to Colorado, Arizona and California on a memorable vacation. He continued to work for the post office where his customers enjoyed his sense of humor. No comments could be made about Mike without mentioning his love for the Seattle Seahawks and Mariners.

He is survived by his former wife, Gail and their three children. Betty Adams (Thomas), Michael Warren Pietzke (Elizabeth), and Jennifer Suire (Alan). Grandfather to Thomas Adams Jr. (Julianna), MacKenzie Adams, Zachary Adams, Bria Pietzke, Annika Pietzke, Abby Pietzke, Imajin Pietzke, William Suire, and Wesley Suire. He had one great-granddaughter, Ryli Adams.



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He is survived by Sylvia and their three children Kathryne Smith (Curtis), Lena-Marie, and Charles. Grandfather to Charlotte Smith and Elizabeth Smith.

A celebration of life to remember Michael will be held 3:30 p.m., Sunday August 26, 2018 at DeCoursey Park. 2101 7th Avenue Southwest, Puyallup, WA 98371. He will be laid to rest on Monday August 27, 2018, 11:00 a.m. at Tahoma National Cemetery.



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KI

Kim posted:

Mike was our Madigan Post Man! I was often times the subject of his deliberate dry humor. My friends and I would always pop in his door to enthusiastically wave & say hi, although he'd rather roll his eyes & jokingly shoo us away. Mike, thank you for all of your help mailing out our packages & letters! And for also being comical & entertaining. You will be missed!

July 30 at 11:48 AM

SP

Sylvia I Pietzke August 12 at 6:24 AM

Thank you, Kim!

JS

Judy Scott posted:

I really appreciated having Mike at our MADIGAN Post Office. I enjoyed interrupting his reading and would tease that I hoped he was having to stop in the middle of the best part! I am so saddened that he passed so suddenly. He is missed and it will not be the same here without him.

July 16 at 6:44 AM

SP

Sylvia Pietzke July 17 at 3:44 PM

Thank you, Judy.

LJ

Linda Jorgenson lit a candle in honor of Michael.

We both have many fond memories of working with Mike at the post office. Our deepest condolences to Sylvia & the family. Prayers of comfort, Love, David & Linda Jorgenson

July 15 at 9:25 PM



LJ

Linda Jorgenson July 17 at 3:48 PM

Big hugs Sylvia ❤️

SP

Sylvia Pietzke July 17 at 3:45 PM

Thank you, Dave and Linda. Hope you all are well, too.



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Ilene And Dave Anderson lit a candle in honor of Michael.

July 12 at 4:28 AM



Linda Anderson lit a candle in honor of Michael.

July 11 at 5:14 PM



SP **Sylvia Pietzke** July 17 at 3:46 PM
Thank you, Madigan.

MC **Madigan Coworkers** July 13 at 6:24 PM
Will miss your dry sense of humor & book recommendations- condolences and prayers to your family



Linda Anderson shared a photo to the **New Album Name** album.

July 11 at 4:13 PM





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Mike with Larry Anderson 2014



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Michael by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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