

Michael "Mickey" Jenkins

August 14, 1939 - April 4, 2026

Mickey was a beloved husband, father, and friend, he passed away peacefully at home with his family by his side. Mickey leaves behind a legacy defined by adventure, love, and unwavering acceptance. Born on August 14, 1939, in Oswego, New York as the youngest child of Catherine Byrne, he lived a full and vibrant life that touched countless people.

He was a man who accepted everyone for who they were, always tried to help those less fortunate even if it put him out. Known for his sharp wit and unforgettable sense of humor, he was truly one of the funniest people you could ever meet! someone who could make a lasting impression wherever he went. He was loving, kind, wise in his experiences, and so funny, especially in his observational humor. He had an endearing nickname for nearly everyone he knew or encountered. He told hilarious stories. He was empathetic, a genuinely kind and caring person. He was also a lion that stood as a steadfast defender of those he loved.

An entrepreneur at heart, he was also a formidable negotiator. In one memorable moment, he negotiated a land deal with Bristol-Myers and their attorneys while dressed in nothing more than a t-shirt and jeans. By the end of the meeting, they were so impressed they tried to recruit him, but he declined, unwilling to trade his independence for a suit and tie, which was so like him. In his younger days, he served 8 years with the National Guard. His adventurous and entrepreneurial spirit also had him splitting time between New York, Florida and Central America where he resided on and off for 10

years and became nearly fluent in Spanish. Something he reverted back to towards the end of his life, almost everything he said, was in Spanish! Mickey was a natural athlete, He was the freshman quarterback for the 1960/61 SU football squad before setting his sights on what he called more “promising” adventures. Close to this time he was also scouted to play baseball for the Mets, but of course didn’t accept b/c it would tie him down. He was truly a man that “Marched to the beat of his own drum”.

Mickey was predeceased by many of his lifelong best friends, relationships he cherished deeply. Later in life he relocated to Georgia, where he spent the last 12 years of his life close to his children.

Above all, he was a devoted husband and father. He shared 57 beautiful years married to the love of his life, Lois, whom he met in 1964 when she traveled to NY as a performer with the Ice Follies. They had a long distance relationship that was sustained by writing letters for 5 years before they came together and married. Their bond was one of enduring love, partnership and most of all his wife’s patience.

Tall, smart, handsome, athletic, and endlessly funny, an amazing dad and cherished Papa! He will be remembered not just for the life he lived, but for the joy, loyalty, and strength he gave to others.

He will be deeply missed and forever loved.

Survived by his Wife Lois Jenkins, his sons Dirk Jenkins and Lucas Jenkins and his daughter Sara Jenkins Metrick (Doug) His adoring grandchildren Ava Metrick, Reghan Metrick, Brooke Jenkins, Jasmine Hamilton, Jacqueline Jenkins, Tommy Jenkins, America Jenkins, Kevin Jenkins , Jane Jenkins and his great grandson Jasper.

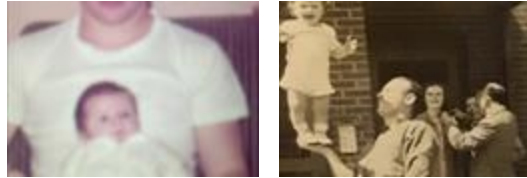
In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the American Kidney Fund, <http://www.kidneyfund.org/ways-give>.

Arrangements by Tim Stewart Funeral Home, 209 S Hammond Drive, Monroe, GA 30655, (770)-267-2594. Please sign the online guest registry at www.stewartfh.com.

Tribute Wall

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MARK PELRAH - April 19 at 08:40 PM

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*Mickey with my sister Robin..
Aunt Katie,uncle Jack,Betty,Floyd me Mark housing project...we all feel
you r loss...George,Linda,mark.Maryann and Robin...Sandra died 2
yrs.ago*

MARK PELRAH - April 19 at 08:59 PM

DC

“ *We were so sorry to learn of Mickey's passing. The Jenkins' were
neighbors in Camillus and friends for many years. We send our
heartfelt condolences to all of you, Lois, Dirk, Luke, and Sarah.
Dean and Esther Chapman*

Dean Chapman - April 16 at 11:56 PM

JJ

“ I remember Uncle Mickey driving Bridgette and I to an Andy Gibb concert at the Syracuse War Memorial in his Delorean. We were so cool getting out of that car!

I also remember the glove box was full of parking tickets. He liked parking on the sidewalk with that car.

Have a good laugh with Dad now that you are back together.

Love to you all and specially to the prettiest Aunt a girl can have.

I don't know why I gave Mickey's graduation photo but I thought you might enjoy it



Jennifer L Jones - April 07 at 08:05 PM

TW

“ I have known Mickey for about 40 years and although I haven't seen him in 20 of those, his memory is still bright in my mind.

He truly was the funniest man I knew, he took a different look at things, not so serious and that's what made him Mickey.

My sincere condolences to Lois and the family, who I was fortunate enough to come to know, because to Mikey, everyone was welcome in his home.

Rest in peace my friend, hopefully I will see you on the other side, although that could be a Crap Shoot for both of us.

Tim Wheeler (Wheels)

Timothy Wheeler - April 07 at 10:28 AM