



Mike Pollard

July 18, 1948 - January 28, 2024

Mike Pollard, age 75, of Holly Springs, NC passed away on January 28, 2024 after a prolonged period of declining health.

Mike was the most loyal and loving husband, father, grandfather, brother, and friend.

He is survived by his wife of 55 years, Adele, and his sons, Michael, Jr. (his wife Maria) and Zach (his wife Theresa), and three grandchildren (Sam, Sofia, and Penny).

Also, he is survived by his twin brother, Pat and his family, his sister, Dell and her family, his brother, Terry and his family, his sister, Toni and her family, as well as numerous other family and friends.

Mike was a Mechanical Engineer, who spent his career in the power generation field. He graduated from North Carolina State University, earned his Professional Engineer (PE) license and went on to become an expert in steam and gas turbines. He was well respected in that regard.

He travelled the world doing the work he loved and made many friends along the way.

After retirement, he turned to vegetable gardening, (his tomatoes were the best!) and fishing with his family and friends.

He loved his family above all else. We will all miss him dearly!

If you would like to make a charitable donation in Mike's name, please consider one of these: American Heart Association, American Diabetes Association or Tunnel to Towers Foundation.

Tribute Wall

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“ So sorry to hear of your loss. Mike was a wonderful person and an inspiration to all who knew him. Connie Littleton Houseman, your old lab buddy Connie

Connie Littleton Houseman - May 06, 2024 at 11:12 PM

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Dierk Losinger - March 14, 2024 at 09:44 AM

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Picnic in Germany 2008

Dierk Losinger - March 14, 2024 at 09:45 AM

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Dierk Losinger - March 14, 2024 at 09:40 AM

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Mosel River 2008

Dierk Losinger - March 14, 2024 at 09:46 AM

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“ Mike and I were friends for many years. We met when he was to interview me for a position with Carolina Power & Light (CP&L). Mike was to meet me at CP&L in Raleigh for the interview, but his power plant expertise was needed in Ashville, so that was where the interview happened. We hit it off immediately, and talked until midnight. Mike hired me and for a year and a half we had not only a professional and personal working relationship, we continued to be friends after my leaving CP&L for Milwaukee.

Mike and his wife also had a beach house and boat at the Atlantic Ocean where Mike, others and I went for week-long get-togethers for many years that included fishing trips, cookouts, and gabfests. Mike and Adele also managed to meet Janice and me regularly at their or our home or on trips, including trips to Germany and Hawaii. Mike and Adele, thanks for always being ready to provide friendship and to build relationships with others. We enjoyed our times together, and will greatly miss Mike.

Janice and Dierk
Northport, Alabama

Dierk Losinger - March 14, 2024 at 09:38 AM

KP

“ A great man. A wonderful husband, father, family man and friend. An engineer's engineer! He was very sharp and shared his knowledge. He is certainly missed by many. My deepest condolences to the family. RIP Mike.



Kevin Parke - March 09, 2024 at 10:40 AM

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“ I had the honor of working with Mike for many years, he didn't just work on Turbines, he taught Turbines, he taught us all. He knew what to do and why it had to be done that way. A Summa cum laude Engineer.

Mike loved a good challenge and was always ahead of his time. This sometimes got him in trouble. In the early days Mike and I worked for Al Wilfong in Tech Serv. and were working at Sutton Plant on a Turbine Overhaul. Mike had caused a stir in the Outage meeting and Wilfong was called in to make amends. Al suggested that we drive a post in the middle of the turbine deck and tie a bungy cord to Mike's belt so that he couldn't get off the deck, because that's where Mike excels. I started going to the meetings to give the status, which was fine with Mike, he didn't want to go anyway.. I have many fond memories of Mike.. Rest well my friend, you will be missed..

Al Flowers - March 06, 2024 at 03:12 PM

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I last saw Mike a year ago when he was in a wheelchair after a series of strokes. He was great to work with and a master of his craft. Everyone who knew him is impoverished with his death. Requiem Aeternam ! Peter Corson

Peter Corson - March 07, 2024 at 09:27 PM