



Mr. Michael Thomas LaFon

September 26, 1942 - April 23, 2023

Michael Thomas LaFon, 80, of Tallahassee, Florida, passed away on Sunday, April 23, 2023, at Tallahassee Memorial HealthCare.

He was born the last of nine children, in Mound Valley, Kansas on September 26, 1942, to Harvey Alexander and Kathryn Jeanette Donaldson LaFon, of blessed memory. He lived all over the United States and was in the ROTC in high school and college. After high school graduation, he attended Florida State University where he met Eugenia Raley. He and Eugenia instantly became friends and almost immediately fell in love. Six months later, Eugenia Raley became Eugenia LaFon, being married at the FSU Wesleyan Foundation. She and Michael were happily married for 55 years.

They moved to California and eventually came back to Tallahassee with their three daughters. He graduated from DeVry Technical Institute and University. He worked in the electronics and aerospace industry and came back to help establish the Olin Corporation plant in St. Marks, Florida, later to be General Dynamics. He was a hard worker, retiring from General Dynamics as an Electronics/Metrology Laboratory Supervisor after 35 years.

In addition to his family, he loved all types of cars that he could tell you anything about, FSU football, watching Westerns, telling colorful, funny life stories, a talented artist drawing pictures and music (especially 50s and 60s),

even playing the violin earlier in life. He also loved people and loved to talk. His family fondly remembers his stories and his daughters have a wonderful memory of him telling them stories and drawing pictures to match when they were younger. His family has done animal rescue, mostly cats, for over 30 years, so he loved animals. He was very handy and smart and could fix most anything. Everyone says he was a very kind person.

He is preceded in death by his parents; his wife; a daughter, Mary Annette LaFon; and all of his siblings. He is survived by his daughters, Tanya LaFon and Caroline LaFon.

In keeping with his wishes, no services are planned.

Online condolences may be left at www.abbeyfh.com

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“ Dear Tanya and Caroline, I remember a couple Summers in Tallahassee and your visits here to California. Your Father was a kind and loving Uncle and our times with you all were very special. My Papa (Fred Macias) often tells a story about how he spent hours trying to figure out some schematics for a project he was working on at work and Uncle Mike came in, took one look at the engine blue prints, and solved the problem at a glance. He is remembered as a very intelligent, loving, and caring man. We send our love to you and know you must be feeling such a tremendous loss. Our hearts are comforted only by the fact that he has been reunited with those who have gone before him who he loved so very much. Your Mother, Annette, and his sister Linda (my Nana), and all the rest. We love you. Sending hugs and prayers. - Alisia (Cousin Cindy's Oldest Daughter).

Alisia Embry Amaya - May 01, 2023 at 07:08 PM

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“ Tanya and Caroline I'm sorry for the loss of your father 🙏 you both are in my prayers 🙏 and May God Bless You Both.
Your Former Co-worker
Stephenese Johnson

Stephenese Johnson - April 29, 2023 at 08:16 PM

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“ Tonya and Caroline: My prayers and thoughts are with both of you. Remember all the good times.
Love in Christ,
Janice Cooper Jones



Janice Cooper Jones - April 29, 2023 at 11:52 AM