



Michael B. Lee

October 1, 1959 - September 3, 2022

On Saturday September 3rd our Lord took Michael home after a long and valiant battle with cancer with his wife and daughters by his side. Michael was a Lieutenant and paramedic on the Albany Fire Dept. where he served honorably and heroically for 27 years, Michael was also a retired driver for UPS for thirty years and a paramedic for the Albany Co. Sheriff Dept. up until his illness.

Michael was an avid hunter and fisherman all his life, he also enjoyed golfing and coin collecting.

Michael was a once in a lifetime man who meant so much to so many. This world will be much dimmer without him in it.

Michael is survived by his wife of 29 years Mary Jo Lee, his two daughters Brianna Rae Lee and Brittany Lee Haynes and his 8 year old grandson Mason David Haynes.

Michael was predeceased by his father Martin K Lee in 2018, but is also survived by his mother Joan A. Lee and his three siblings Nancy Ferrigan, Lisa Welter (Richard) and Christopher Lee (Jennifer) as well as several nieces and nephews. Funeral services will be held Friday morning 11am at St. Francis of Assisi Church, 391 Delaware Ave Albany, NY. Relatives and friends are invited. There will be no calling hours. If desired, contributions in Michael's memory may be made to the charity closest to Michael's heart, St. Jude's children's hospital.

Tribute Wall

ML

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Maryjo Lee - July 12, 2024 at 05:56 PM

ML

The best decision of my life was marrying this legendary man, my husband Lt. Michael B. Lee ❤️❤️

Maryjo Lee - July 12, 2024 at 06:01 PM

ML

“ *Honey it's been 22 months since you were taken from me and although the pain has not subsided a bit I do feel your undeniable presence every single day, not just around and above me but within my soul, like you've always said to me we are part of each other so just as in life we remain the exception because death did not part us. I see you so clearly in all 3 of our children ,in their expressions, their words, in their views of the world and especially in their strength and determination. I know that you are so incredibly proud as you watch them learn to live this new and unfamiliar life of sorrow with such strength and dignity and as our beautiful boy grows determined to be just like his papa .. the finest man who's ever walked this earth. We did good honey. I will see you tonight in my dreams. I love you with everything in me and I always will. Love, kitty*

Maryjo Lee - July 12, 2024 at 05:39 PM

BL

“ I love you Daddy, more and more every time I breathe.
Love always,
Your BEAN

Brianna Rae Lee - September 10, 2022 at 03:38 PM

SD

“ I met Mike when we both attended officer's training in New York City with the FDNY. Even though I only spent one month with him I will always remember him. He was funny, knowledgeable, and friendly. Most of all he was just a nice guy to hang out with. Rest In Peace Mike.

Steve DeLuca, Auburn Fire Dept - September 06, 2022 at 09:37 PM

TD

“ Mike to me was more than just a voice on the other end of my Radio, he was a great man! He'd call fire radio not to criticize but tell us how we could say or do something a little different on both ends of the Comms. Outside of work I met Mike the first time at the Credit Union prob after both of us were on the job for 15 years or so and we both brought up multiple converstions we had regarding things people shouldnt see or hear and bowhunting, as some of afd guys know mike was an avid bow hunter. I had hunted the land next to where Mike hunted, many many times we were after the same big bucks in delmar, one time as some of the guys on here know, Mike saw this buck go down the saddle to my vacant stand several times down the ridgeline from him, he called me and asked if he could my stand "he sounded frustrated" lol, " mikey go ahead man its all yours for two days ill be in there friday, but Mikey be carefull the dead two bottom branches are rotted they w break on you, keep your heel next to the tree your good there" "ok tommy" well a day later i called him and asked what he saw or got, he ended up falling from the 2nd branch and fell down about 9 ft back first hit the ground ended up in the hospital w two broken ribs i believe. Theres many many storys about this great man Id like to hear more about...Rest Peacefully my friend, i'll see you again brother on that oak ridge keep watch for me. God Bless you and your family Mikey and also the Brothers and Sisters of AFD
Your Dispatcher Tommy Degan



Tommy Degan - September 06, 2022 at 09:18 PM

TD

Mikey would call Fire Radio not to criticize but to talk about what happened and what could be done better on both ends, I met Mike for the first time in person at the credit union and we chatted shop about what things people shouldn't see and hear on our jobs, but soon turned into Bowhunting, Mike bowhunting the adjacent land to where I hunted and we often hunted the same big bucks, well one time at work mikey called and asked if he could hunt my stand the following few days sure go ahead but I'll be in there Friday but really careful keep your heel close to the tree climbing up the branches aren't as rotted "Tommy I'm a Ladder guy you know that" "Copy that just letting ya know be careful" I called him a few days later not hearing from him to see what happened, and what he saw, as some of you know reading this, he told me he fell out of the tree because tree branch snapped and fell about 9 or 10 ft landing on his back if I remember I think he broke two ribs I said Mike you're a ladder guy wtf" We laughed for 20 minutes, I'm sad for the Lee family and the Brothers and Sisters of AFD, you are all in my thoughts. Mikey keep watch on that oak ridge for me I'll see ya again my friend.

Tommy Degan - September 06, 2022 at 09:37 PM

HW

“ The world now has a huge void; Mikey was one hell of a man & firefighter. Condolences to his personal family & AFD family; worked with Mikey & broke bread with him many times while I was on APD. Hal Warner

Hal Warner - September 06, 2022 at 08:48 PM

DS

“ Mike will be missed by many of the AFD was a brother to all. Always had a smile for everyone RIP Mike will miss the smile and laugh Rest easy

Dave Scalisi - September 06, 2022 at 06:59 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Michael B. Lee.*



September 06, 2022 at 06:13 PM



“ *When I was a new firemen, Mike was the senior man on Truck 2 on the shift I was assigned to. Always light-hearted and good for a laugh, Mike would give new guys tips on doing the job and being on the truck. When he was Acting Lt and promoted to the South End, I was able to work for him on Truck 1, where he continued to show me what it meant to be a good firefighter and to love the job. One night, I remember telling him that I wished that we caught a fire that night. He told me that when he was younger he used to feel the same way, but eventually saw the damage and heartache it caused the people who's lives were turned upside down from it. He told me that he no longer hoped to catch fires, but to be able to do everything he could when called upon to help the people who may lose everything, and to save the lives of the people who need it. It has been one of the most important things I've been told as a firemen and one that I believe wholeheartedly today. Mike was a great man that will be truly missed by anyone who had the pleasure of working with him, my thoughts and prayers and with his family during this difficult time. As well as the brothers and sisters of AFD that will miss him and never forget him.*

Justin Brady - September 06, 2022 at 05:16 PM

MM

I send my heartfelt condolences and prayers to Michael family,so very sorry.I had the pleasure of working many years with Michael at UPS and I always had the utmost respect & admiration for Michael.A kind & gentle person.Rest in peace my friend 🙏🙏🙏🙏🙏🙏❤❤❤❤

Michael Marro - September 07, 2022 at 10:37 AM

ML

Thank you for sharing such a wonderful story, my husband would be so proud to know that he had such a positive impact on you, he truly loved being a firefighter. I'm happy to know that he dimmed that excitement for extreme danger a bit because I spent many years terrified. Stay safe 🙏 Mary Jo Lee

Mj Lee - May 25, 2023 at 02:52 AM

NF

“ 1 file added to the album Michael B. Lee



Nancy Ferrigan - September 06, 2022 at 02:57 PM

NF

My big brother, forever loved.

Nancy Ferrigan - September 06, 2022 at 03:10 PM

BL

*MJ ,Brianna ,Brittany and Mason you have just suffered a big loss and my heart goes out to each and everyone of you.In my conversations with Mike his love for his family was immeasurable you guys made up his world. It was our pleasure to have been a neighbor to your family for so many years .Mike had a huge personality he'll be leaving you signs you'll recognize them and know it's him
God Bless Barbara Losavio*

barbara lisavio - September 06, 2022 at 05:55 PM

DR

Mike got to know you as a good friend on the Fire Department. We grew up hanging out on Madison Ave. I think me and you got into a few fights when we were teenagers! However really enjoyed your dedication on the department! You will be missed for sure!

Dominick A Roselli - September 07, 2022 at 07:27 PM

LH

To Mrs Lee, Nancy, Lisa and Christopher my heartfelt and holiest condolences, my father loved Michael so much for he was the son of his beloved friend, Marty. God sped to you.

Lisa Harder - December 19, 2023 at 10:44 PM