

In Memory of Michael Kelley

Yun-A Johnson
November 25, 2020



Name: Michael Kelley

Spouse: Josephine

Children: Daniel, Amy, Teresa

Birth Date: July 9, 1959

Ascension Date: November 22, 2020

Michael Edward Kelley ascended on November 22 due to heart failure after a difficult battle with ALS. His beloved wife, Josephine, was by his side, in the comfort of their home in Fort Lee, NJ.

He was born on July 9, 1959 in Michigan to Doris Ridenour. He spent his youth in Madreas, Oregon. Mostly enjoying his time on the football and basketball teams.

Right after high school, Michael served in the Army from 1977-1981 in Germany, achieving the rank of Private First Class. He met and joined the Unification Movement in San Diego upon completion of his military service in May 1981. Inspired by the vision of building a better world, Michael dedicated thirteen years of his life volunteering his time to raise funds for and participate in the service and outreach programs of the church. These efforts took him to Korea, Jerusalem, and many states of the U.S.

Michael and Josephine met in 2006, and from then on became a blessing to one another. They spent most of their life together in the Bronx, and NJ for the last few years. Michael was a truck driver for 20 years, working for the Tyel Power Lines. His interests included team sports, fishing, and travel. He especially loved college football and rooted for his favorite team, the Alabama Crimson Tide. His love of fishing carried him all the way to Alaska for tuna fishing trips.

Michael is survived by his wife Josephine, children Daniel and Amy, and their mother Wanda, step-daughter Teresa, mother Doris, brother Chuck, and his favorite cat Lucas.

Michael will be remembered for his dedicated military service, and service to God as a Heavenly soldier, having fought and overcome many battles up until his last breath.

Seonghwa Ceremony

Date: November 25, 2020 at 10:00 AM

Location: Clifton Family Church: 78 De Mott Ave., Clifton, NJ 07011

Viewing: 9:00 AM (EST)