



## Michael Henry Didier

December 23, 2025

Michael (Mike) Henry Didier junior died peacefully on December 23rd after nearly 20-years fending off cancer. As he often said, his long journey facing mortality gave him the opportunity to reflect on his life and the impact he had on those around him. He had much to be proud of.

Mike was born in 1940 in Evanston, Illinois, to Michael and Mary Didier, and was the youngest of eight children. He graduated from Marquette University with a degree in civil engineering and often spoke with pride of his early work with the Army Corps of Engineers, building dams in the western United States. He made the jump to the private sector with years as a successful VP for Construction and Development at a growing building materials company before returning to the public sector where he found professional joy helping the University of West Virginia as well as the Grand Rapids Public Schools with numerous construction and renovation projects.

The work Mike was most proud of, however, had to do with his faith and his family. Mike was a quiet and compassionate Catholic who lived his life with remarkable integrity. For over 60 years he was a devoted husband to his wife, Marguerite Didier. He sometimes wondered if he had done enough to care for her in her final days, but those who witnessed this struggle knew that he gave everything, guided by faith and love. He was also a dedicated and loving father to his four boys, Paul, Brian, Allan, and Karl Didier. His greatest legacy

is that he showed them and those around him how to live a life shaped by the virtues of honesty and decency.

Mike is survived by his four boys, five grandchildren, his beloved dog Benny, and his 2 sisters, Doris and Eleanor.

Funeral Services will be held Saturday, March 14, 2026, at 11:00 am at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Blacksburg. Following the interment service immediately, Memorial Gardens of New River Valley.

# Cemetery Details

## Memorial Gardens of the New River Valley

2551 N. MAIN ST.  
BLACKSBURG, VA 24060

# Previous Events

## Funeral Service

MAR 14. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Mary's Catholic Church  
1205 Old Mill Road #3705  
Blacksburg, VA 24060

# Tribute Wall

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“ *From the Fluegge family purchased the Blue Caribbean Bouquet for the family of Michael Henry Didier.*



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**From the Fluegge family** - March 10 at 05:41 PM