



Michael J. Kirchhoff

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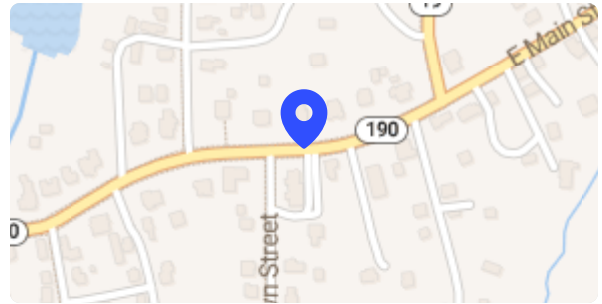
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Michael J. Kirchhoff, 65, of Tolland, CT passed away on Thursday, December 28, 2023 at home. He was born in Meriden, CT, son of the late Edward and Carmen (Agostini) Kirchhoff. Michael graduated from the University of Connecticut with a degree in electrical engineering. After working as an engineer for ten years, he became a certified physics and science teacher. He spent his teaching career at Cheney Technical and Windham Technical High Schools. He was also a member of the Full Gospel Interdenominational Church in Manchester for 33 years, where he was a part of the Prison, Band, Convalescent Home and Missions Outreach (WWLM) Ministries. For 33 years, he was an integral part of the bluegrass gospel band Higher Ground. The band loved to bring the love of God to many groups with their joyful music and encouragement. Michael is survived by his beloved wife and best friend of 37 years, Catherine (Viguzzi) Kirchhoff; daughter, Diana Rice and her husband Erik; grandsons, Zachary and Jacen Rice; siblings, Edward Kirchhoff, Jr., Linda Majica, and Diana Horvath and her husband Rudy; and many nieces and nephews. Calling hours will be held on Thursday, January 18, 2024 from 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM at Introvigne Funeral Home, Inc., 51 East Main St., Stafford Springs, CT. His funeral service will be held on Friday, January 19, 2024 beginning at 11:00 AM at the funeral home. Memorial donations may be made to Worldwide Lighthouse Missions, 723 Main St., Manchester, CT 06040. To leave a message of sympathy for his family, please visit: www.introvignefuneralhome.com






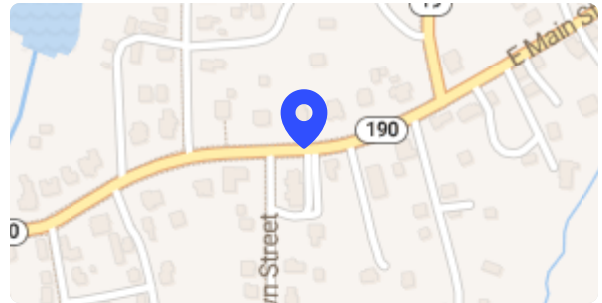
Visitation

-  **Thursday**, January 18, 2024
-  5:00 PM - 7:00 PM ET
-  **Introvigne Funeral Home, Inc.**
51 East Main St., Stafford Springs CT 06076



Service

-  **Friday**, January 19, 2024
-  11:00 AM ET
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Tribute Wall

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Diane Blake lit a candle in honor of Michael.

I just heard of Michael's passing today. I used to work with him at Windham Tech where he gave so much to the students as a science teacher. He shared his wisdom and touched many lives. I had the pleasure of attending one of his churches fundraisers for Haiti. He was passionate about his faith and openly shared in his prayers to our lord. His presence here on earth will be missed but he is home with the lord amongst all those who are there awaiting us to join them. God bless you Michael and all the family. May you be at peace and live on with the memory of him in your hearts. With much condolences your way, Diane Blake



January 30 at 3:18 PM



Dave Owens posted:

DaveDave Owens7 minutes agoWe are praying for you, Cathy, Diana and Eric and the rest of your family; Ed too. Mike was a man who made melody with his guitar and with his life. In band, he would politely ask me what note I played at a certain point in a certain song and kindly offer a suggestion or two. Without saying too much he helped me get in tune. Like music, he helped me get in tune with in a personal matter I shared with him. I was out of "tune" and he helped me find harmony in a situation. He was a precise man in many ways. His outfits were always sharp, his pleats crisp, shoes polished, hair perfectly presentable and his speech seasoned with grace. He was a gem of a man and will be missed. The days ahead will be difficult, but you are loved by many. I pray Gods arms comfort you and the good memories you shared bless you.

January 18 at 2:27 PM



Ronald And Carmmen Ouellette sent an Enduring Grace to the Kirchhoff family.



January 17 at 6:21 PM



Ronald And Carmmen Ouellette planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Michael.



January 17 at 6:21 PM



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FA

Fred Ashton posted:

Mike was a gifted and diligent teacher at Windham Tech. He had high standards, he taught with excellence and passion, and he truly loved the curriculum, and most importantly, his students. I was blessed to call him my colleague and friend.

January 16 at 5:56 AM

DH

Diana Horvath posted:

Rest in Peace Dear Brother, You will be remembered with memories of happiness and great times from our childhood. ❤️ Your charm, your intellect, your annoying ways as a young boy!! fondly recollect you sneaking into the basement wearing your pj's (sporting long hair) to play your electric guitar sooo VERY EARLY on Saturday morning, while we were all trying to sleep! ...the things little brothers do!! know you are singing and playing your guitar in eternal peace in heaven above, rejoined with mom and dad! Xo Lovingly remembered, your sister, Diana ❤️ 🙏

January 13 at 8:14 AM

LM

Linda Kirchhoff (Mojica) posted:

Michael, I miss you horribly you on have been a good man and your brother a good husband a good son decade. He lived your life well. God bless you with intelligent and a heart for him. I'm proud of you.

January 12 at 9:39 AM

DG

Denise Greco posted:

My dear cousin, it's so sad to hear of your passing. Although I haven't seen you in many years we have had some great laughs and conversations. I remember you playing your guitar and singing, John Denver songs and your mom would join in and start singing along. Those were special moments that I will always cherish in my heart forever! Love Denise!

January 12 at 4:08 AM



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Bob W. posted:

I really enjoyed talking with him and we sang together once or twice. Mike his wife Cathy and I shared a couple of visits at Open Hearth together. It was a privilege working alongside the two of them and I absolutely LOVED his guitar playing skills along with his singing with the group was truly a blessing to all. May GOD comfort, strengthen and Bless Cathy and the entire family.

January 11 at 11:31 AM



Dave Owens January 18 at 2:24 PM

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Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Michael by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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