



Michael D Miller

August 28, 1949 - October 30, 2024

[Powell, Ohio] — Michael D. Miller, a beloved husband, proud father, grandfather, and deeply valued friend, tragically passed away on October 30, 2024, surrounded by family. Known for his decades-long career as a respected insurance agent, his dedication to his family, and his love for sports, Michael leaves behind a legacy that will endure in the lives he touched.

Born to Martin B. Miller and Frances Roberts Miller in Middletown, Ohio, Michael grew up with a love for sports and a drive for excellence that followed him throughout his life, even becoming nationally ranked on the youth tennis circuits as a teenager. He graduated from Middletown High School's class of 1967 as a multiple varsity letterman in golf, basketball, and tennis. He attended Ohio University, where he proudly played basketball as a Bobcat and became a member of the Sigma Chi Fraternity. Known for his sportsmanship, dedication, and teamwork on the court, Michael remained a passionate advocate for athletics throughout his life. His teammates and coaches recall him as both a fierce competitor and a supportive friend, traits that would define him well beyond his college years.

Following his graduation from Ohio University in 1971, Michael transitioned into the insurance field working along with his father at Miller Insurance, Inc. Upon his father's retirement, Michael continued to build the company known for its commitment to integrity, trust and family values. He approached his

work with the same dedication he brought to the court, ensuring each client felt understood and supported. Over the years, he won multiple “Boss of the Year” awards becoming known for his approachable, genuine nature, ensuring that his staff and clients felt valued and protected, as though they were family. He supported, volunteered, and led many community boards and business organizations.

And for Michael, family was everything. He was blessed with five boys—his 4 oldest, Shane, Nick, Scott, and Marty—who not only inherited his values but joined him at Miller Insurance, making it a true family business that has now existed for 85 years. Michael’s boys were his pride and joy, and his face lit up whenever he spoke of them. He watched with pride as his sons carried forward his legacy, serving their community with the same integrity and warmth he had championed coaching them all in their athletic endeavors.

With his youngest son, Caden, he shared a special bond over sports. Michael was not only a supportive dad on the sidelines, but an active participant in Caden’s athletic journey, cheering him on, coaching when needed, and offering that steady encouragement only he could give. He knew the power of sports to teach resilience, teamwork, and humility, and he was proud to pass on his own love for athletics to his son.

To his wife, Sondra, Michael was not just a devoted husband, but also her closest confidant and best friend. Their marriage was a true partnership, filled with love, mutual respect, and a shared sense of humor that created a joyful home for their son.

Outside of work and family, Michael was a lifelong sports enthusiast who couldn’t resist a good game. He relished the thrill of competition, whether he was sharing stories from his days as a Bobcat, cheering on his sons and grandkids from the sidelines, or enjoying a round of golf with friends. His

enthusiasm was contagious, and he often provided his own “play-by-play” commentary during big games, bringing his family and friends along for the ride. Michael’s love for sports was woven into the fabric of his life, creating lasting memories and bonds with those he cherished.

Mike is leaving behind Sondra Miller and their son, Caden Miller. Mike’s oldest sons, their wives and children; Shane (Lisa) Miller (Max, Sam); Nicholas (Tracy) Miller (Kiersta, Julia, Bryce); Scott (Stacey) Miller (Myla, Lexi, Luke); Marty (Kelly) Miller (Kaylee, Macy, Brady, Jackson). He also was a caring brother to his sister, Patti Gage and to his niece, nephew and cousins.

A memorial service for Michael will be held on November 9, 2024, 11am – 12noon, at Liberty Barn Church, 7080 Olentangy River Road, Powell, Ohio, followed by a Celebration of Life at Wedgewood Golf and Country Club, 9600 Wedgewood Blvd, Powell Ohio, where friends and family can gather to share memories and honor his life. In lieu of flowers, the family invites donations to the Middletown Community Foundation to create a scholarship in Michael’s memory.

Michael D. Miller was more than his accomplishments; he was a man who lived with heart and humility, whose impact was felt in every handshake, smile, and word of encouragement. His legacy will live on in the family he adored, the business he built, and the countless lives he touched. He will be missed, remembered, and forever loved.

Celebration of Life: Michael D. Miller

We invite you to join us in a heartfelt celebration of Michael D. Miller’s life. Let us gather to share beloved memories, recall touching stories, and honor the

joy, kindness, and inspiring spirit he brought to everyone he met. Together, we will reflect on the deep and lasting impact of his life and legacy.

Date: Saturday, December 14, 2024

Time: 11:00 AM to 3:00 PM

Location: Four Bridges Country Club, 8300 Four Bridges Drive, Liberty Township, Ohio 45044

In lieu of flowers, the family invites donations to the Middletown Community Foundation to establish a scholarship in Michael's memory. This will ensure his legacy of kindness, support, and encouragement continues to inspire future generations.

Michael was so much more than his many accomplishments. He was a man of heart and humility, whose impact resonated in every handshake, every smile, and every word of encouragement. His legacy lives on through the family he cherished, the business he built, and the countless lives he touched.

He will be deeply missed, lovingly remembered, and forever celebrated. Please join us in honoring the life of an extraordinary man.

With heartfelt gratitude,
The Miller Family

<https://mcfoundation.org/>

Previous Events

Memorial Service

NOV 9. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Liberty Barn Church
7080 Olentangy River Road
Delaware, OH 43015
<https://libertybarnchurch.com/>

Celebration of Life

NOV 9. 12:00 PM (ET)

Wedgewood Golf and Country Club
9600 Wedgewood Boulevard
Powell, OH 43065

Celebration of Life

DEC 14. 11:00 AM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Four Bridges Country Club,
8300 Four Bridges Drive
Liberty Township, OH 45044
https://www.fourbridges.com/?utm_source=google&utm_medium=organic&utm_campaign=google_business_profile

Four Bridges Country Club phone number (513) 759-4620

Tribute Wall

AL

“ I am deeply saddened to hear of Mike’s passing. He was a kind and thoughtful agent who always took the time to meet with me during my visits to discuss his insights on ICC and the industry. I truly valued those conversations and appreciated his professionalism and perspective. My heartfelt condolences to his family, friends, and colleagues during this difficult time

Allison - December 18, 2024 at 03:27 PM

AL

“ I just heard the news and am so sorry for your loss. I had a professional relationship with Mike but it never felt like work. He was as friendly a guy I've ever met and was always warm and kind. I was lucky to have known him and my heart breaks for all of you.
Aimee Long

Aimee Long - November 22, 2024 at 09:18 AM

RM

“ I am so sorry for your loss. I worked with Mike many years ago when I was first starting my career in the insurance industry. About 6 years ago I once again started to work with Mike and his agency. He was someone I always looked forward to seeing. He was tough, but fair. Very warm and friendly, and when I had broken my foot, he would always ask how I was doing. He will forever be a person who makes me smile when I remember him. May your happy memories of him replace your sorrow. Ruth Monaghan

Ruth Monaghan - November 21, 2024 at 07:49 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Michael D Miller.*



November 09, 2024 at 08:05 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Michael D Miller.

November 08, 2024 at 07:06 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Michael D Miller.*



November 08, 2024 at 07:06 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Michael D Miller.

November 08, 2024 at 02:30 PM



“ *Loving Lilies and Roses Bouquet was purchased for the family of Michael D Miller.*



November 08, 2024 at 02:30 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Michael D Miller.*



November 08, 2024 at 01:55 PM



“ *The Cave, Gross, Tills & Yeater Families purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Michael D Miller.*



The Cave, Gross, Tills & Yeater Families - November 08, 2024 at 10:36 AM



“ *I am very sorry to hear about the loss of your Dad. Your Dad was the best. I know he loved each of you very much and was very proud of each of you. When I was coaching the Middies he was always supportive. He would always ask if there was anything we needed for the program. He was always giving of his time, support and resources but never asked for anything in return. May the positive memories you have of him and the life lessons he taught you comfort you during this difficult time. You are in my thoughts and prayers.*

Jay Byrne

Jay Byrne - November 07, 2024 at 09:09 PM

RB

“ Roger Bird planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Michael D Miller.

Roger Bird - November 07, 2024 at 03:50 PM

RB

“ Roger Bird purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Michael D Miller.



Roger Bird - November 07, 2024 at 03:50 PM

MB

“ Marnie Kash and Marcie Berlean purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Michael D Miller.



Marnie Kash and Marcie Berlean - November 07, 2024 at 11:40 AM

AA

“ Andy and Shannon Archer purchased the Gracious Lavender Basket for the family of Michael D Miller.



Andy and Shannon Archer - November 07, 2024 at 04:45 AM

MK

“ Mike was one of the first people I met when I came to Middletown in 1985. His passion and loyalty to the Middies was very evident from the time I met him, and then throughout the years. He was always willing to lend a helping hand in causes related to the benefit of Middletown or the Middies. I was blessed to eventually coach his sons, Scott and Nick, in different capacities in the Middie Basketball Program, and you could easily see the transfer of “Middie Pride” from Mike to his family members. I have seen Mike less regularly since he moved to Columbus but every time I did see him on occasion, that Middie spirit always resonated from him. Mike will be missed but he carried the family legacy on as a business owner, son, father, husband, and community leader. Well done, good and faithful servant! You will be greatly missed... 🙏🙏🙏

Mark Kerns - November 06, 2024 at 10:11 PM

EF

“ Everyone at Zone Fitness purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Michael D Miller.



Everyone at Zone Fitness - November 06, 2024 at 05:32 PM

TL

“ The Todd Family- Bob & Glenda, Scott & Dena, Jeff & Debbie, Brad & Lauren purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Michael D Miller.



The Todd Family- Bob & Glenda, Scott & Dena, Jeff & Debbie, Brad & Lauren - November 06, 2024 at 03:56 PM

KH

“ Kevin and Nichole Hosty purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Michael D Miller.



Kevin and Nichole Hosty - November 06, 2024 at 01:50 PM



“ Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Michael D Miller.



November 06, 2024 at 07:33 AM



“ Fiery Lily and Rose was purchased for the family of Michael D Miller.



November 05, 2024 at 05:51 PM

TL

“ Love you Mikey Miller-You were an AMAZING TEAMMATE-at OU- Stand Up and Cheer!Mike you were PREDESTINED to be a GREAT TEAMMATE at Home-in Business-and in the Community-God had His Hand on your BIG HEART-Coach Snyder and Wife Gail loved you-as all your BOBCAT TEAMMATES DID-Great Legacy Mike-your teammate in prayer for your FAMILY TEAMMATES and FRIENDS-todd lalich-Epesians 3:20

Todd Lalich - November 05, 2024 at 05:44 PM

TS

“ *Such a great guy. Everytime I saw him it was always a fun experience! Loved him!
This picture was at the Meadows!*



Tom Sweeney - November 05, 2024 at 03:01 PM

JA

“ *Jackie and Dave Appleman purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Michael D Miller.*



Jackie and Dave Appleman - November 05, 2024 at 02:21 PM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Michael D Miller.*

November 05, 2024 at 01:47 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Michael D Miller.*



November 05, 2024 at 01:47 PM

PN

“ Tom, Mike and Paul (me) 25 years ago.



Paul Nenni - November 05, 2024 at 12:49 PM

LB

“ Love, McKenzie and Eric Bettinger purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Michael D Miller.



Love, McKenzie and Eric Bettinger - November 05, 2024 at 11:54 AM

BS

“ Mike was one of the most genuine people I ever met. I'll never forget how he was one of the first people at Wedgewood to come up and introduce himself to me. So down to earth and funny. Had a great heart and you could tell how much he loved his family. Loved talking sports with him and he was a blast to listen to when he was telling a story. And he was a gem on the golf course, loved to compete. Rest in peace my friend.

Bob Spears

Bob Spears - November 05, 2024 at 11:54 AM