



## Michael Nika

December 24, 1952 - November 6, 2023

It is with profound sorrow that we announce the passing of beloved husband, father, and grandfather, Michael Nika, on November 6th, 2023. He passed away peacefully at his home after fighting a long battle with heart disease. Michael was preceded in death by parents Vasil and Melpomeni Nika and brother-in-law Thomas. He is survived by Vasilika, his wife of 41 years, daughter Jora (Alex), granddaughters Evelyn and Abigail, son Henri, sister Margarita, brother Lefteri (Majlinda), nephew Pirro (Eda), nieces Iva and Ersi, and grand-nephew Thomas. Michael's life is a testament to resilience, love, and family. His journey began in Albania, where he earned a degree in Organic Chemistry from the University of Tirana. This educational achievement marked the beginning of a lifelong career in the food industry. Outside of the workplace, Michael's heart blossomed with love for the beauty of nature. He had an extraordinary fondness for roses. He spent countless hours creating a wonderful rose garden that became a source of joy for many employees at his first workplace. His love of roses and flowers continued throughout his life, and he could often be found tending to his garden. Michael was a man of many talents. His hands were blessed with the gift of fixing things. He could mend anything, from a troublesome car engine to a leaky faucet, making his home a haven of security and comfort for his family. His ability to repair and create was a testament to his resourcefulness and dedication. Michael also showed his sharp mind and keen intellect by becoming fluent in six languages (Albanian, English, French, Greek, Italian,

and Russian). Above all else, Michael cherished his role as a father and grandfather. His children and grandchildren were his greatest source of pride and joy. He was unwaveringly supportive, always ready to offer a helping hand, and never hesitated to make personal sacrifices to ensure the happiness and success of his family. Michael's legacy of love, dedication, and unwavering commitment to family will endure through the generations, an example of the selfless love and boundless kindness that he bestowed upon his loved ones. Family will receive friends on Tuesday November 14th, 2023, at Rutherford-Corbin Funeral Home from 9-11 a.m. followed by the funeral and interment at Resurrection Cemetery. The family extends their heartfelt gratitude to friends and well-wishers for their support during this challenging time. Michael's memory will live on in the hearts of his family and friends. He was a beacon of love, strength, and the enduring power of family bonds. May he rest in peace, forever cherished, and never forgotten. Friends may, if they wish, contribute to the Annunciation Greek Orthodox Cathedral, 555 North High St Columbus Ohio 43215 in his memory.

# Cemetery Details

## Resurrection Cemetery

9571 North High Street  
Lewis Center, OH 43035

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV **14**. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Rutherford Corbin Funeral Home  
515 High Street  
Worthington, OH 43085

## Funeral Service

NOV **14**. 11:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Love's Journey* was purchased for the family of *Michael Nika*.



November 13, 2023 at 11:33 PM



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



November 12, 2023 at 09:05 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray* was purchased for the family of *Michael Nika*.



November 11, 2023 at 05:10 PM



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



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November 10, 2023 at 05:05 PM



“ *Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Michael Nika.*



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November 09, 2023 at 11:49 AM