

HEINLEIN GENEALOGY

Michael H Heinlein (1954 to 2016)
Lee Ann Hile Heinlein (wife)

A great husband, father, grandfather and friend, as well as owner and operator of the Ponderosa Golf Course, age 62, of Hookstown, passed unexpectedly of natural causes on Wednesday, July 13, 2016, at his home. Born in Indiana, PA, on January 26, 1954, he was the son of the late Herbert H. and Thelma Rose "Mick" (Smith) Heinlein. Beloved husband and best friend of Lee Ann (Hile) Heinlein; loving father of Michael John (Amanda), Andrew (Chelsie), Matthew (Morgan) and Benjamin (Katrina Durban); he loved and pampered his grandchildren, Mason, Marissa, Tyler, Cameron, Hunter, with another expected soon; well-loved brother of Janet Fischer; cousin of Don and Sandy Heinlein; cherished uncle of Jennifer and Mark Walker, Ray and Kelly Fischer and their children, Madison and R.J. As a second generation family owned and operated business, The Ponderosa Golf Course was his father's dream which became reality in 1964 and opened in 1965. Mike worked alongside his father to make a successful business that hosted many golf outings. He was a member of the Golf Course Superintendent Association of America for 40 years and also the National Golf Course Association. Always civic-minded, he joined Coraopolis Kiwanis Club in 1982, was a dedicated member, serving as Past President many times, fund raising chairman hosting the annual steak fry and the auction. He was currently a member of the Sewickley Kiwanis and the Coraopolis Lodge #674 F&AM. He enjoyed bowling and hunting, but most of all being with family, and especially doting on his grandchildren. Mike was a man with a BIG HEART. He will be greatly missed by many. Visitation Saturday and Sunday 2-4, 6-9 p.m. at **COPELAND'S MOON TOWNSHIP**, 981 Brodhead Rd. where service will be held on Monday at 11:00 a.m. Rev. Roger Howard will officiate. Burial will follow in Clinton UP Church Cemetery. Family suggests donations in his name, in honor of his remission from cancer, to the American Cancer Society.

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Michael Heinlein Family

MICHAEL HERBERT HEINLEIN FAMILY

Michael was born January 26, 1954 in Indiana, Pa. to Herbert Henry and Thelma Rose Smith Heinlein. He joined a sister Janet Mae, who had been born on June 25, 1941. The family moved to Bon Air Golf Course in Coraopolis in 1954. Michael attended grade school at Pleasant View, Carnot, and McKinnley. While attending Moon High School Mike was on the golf team. It was here that he initially met and dated his future wife for a short time. During his high school years he worked with his father on the Heinlein family's golf courses, Bon Air and Ponderosa.

The day after graduation from high school in 1973 Mike moved with his parents to Silver Spring, Md. to assume the position of Assistant Superintendent at Indian Springs Country Club. His father became Green's Superintendent. Mike's responsibilities included the care of 16 tennis courts, the driving range, the pool grounds, and the 36 hole golf course.

In October of 1973 Mike again met up with and started dating his future wife Lee Ann Hile, whose family had moved to Fairfax, Va. several months before Mike's family. On Oct. 28, 1978 they were married in Truro Episcopal Church in Fairfax, Va. Lee Ann is the daughter of Richard Keaton Hile and Joyce Elaine Broadbent Hile.

In October of 1979 Mike and Lee Ann moved to Frankfort Springs, Pa. to take over the ownership and operational duties of Ponderosa Golf Course along with Mike's dad, Herb. On August 31, 1980 Mike and Lee Ann had their first son Michael John. In quick succession the family was joined by Andrew Michael on December 3, 1981 and Matthew Alan on July 5, 1983.

Mike is an active member of the Coraopolis Kiwanis Club. He also belongs to the Greater Pittsburgh Golf Course Superintendent's Association, The Pennsylvania Golf Course Owner's Association, and Golf Course Superintendents of America. Lee Ann is a busy homemaker and mother, but also enjoys co-teaching

Sunday School at Clinton U.P. Church, playing golf, and doing cross-stitch.