



Michael Joseph Boccumini

August 17, 1926 - October 15, 2022

Michael Joseph Boccumini, 96, passed away peacefully at the Big Bend Hospice House on Saturday, October 15, 2022. He was born in White Plains, New York on August 17, 1926, and was the son of Italian immigrants Biagio and Ernestina Boccumini.

After high school, Mike enlisted and served as a Military Policeman with the U.S. Army's 42nd Rainbow Division National Guard during WWII (1944–1946) in Vienna, Austria. He performed routine guard duty, assisted in guarding General Mark K. Clark, and guarded German prisoners of war at the prison camp Dachau right after it's liberation.

After leaving the army, Mike returned to live in Westchester County, NY to live near and help support his family. In the late 50's he moved to Miami, Florida where he met his British wife, Kathleen Ashman at a German American dance club where he drew her name as a dance partner. Married in 1960; they had a daughter, Ann, in 1962, and were married for 55 years until Kathy's death in 2015. In Miami, Mike attended art school at the University of Miami and eventually established his own business as a graphic artist within the advertising firm Hume, Smith, Mickelberry. Mike retired from advertising art in 1984 and moved with Kathy to Mendocino, California. They moved back east

after four years and settled in Franklin, North Carolina where they lived for almost 14 years. They moved to Crawfordville, Florida in 2002 to live closer to their daughter and grandsons.

Mike loved painting, playing golf, traveling, mentoring his grandsons and spending time with family and friends.

He is preceded in death by his parents Biagio and Ernestina Boccumini, six brothers Vincent, Lou, Nick, Marino, Gene and Tony, and one sister, Ana. Mike is survived by his daughter Ann, grandsons Jake and Zachary Hunter, and his beloved sister Elizabeth Zorilo, as well as many nieces and nephews, and extended family and friends, who will miss him dearly.

Godspeed Pop, we will miss your humble spirit, great sense of humor and unconditional love and support.

Also, a special thank you to the staff and caregivers of Hopewell In-home Senior Care, and the Big Bend Hospice House, who lovingly assisted in taking care of my dad over the last couple of years and in his final days. They are all very special angels to our family!

A small service will be held at the National Cemetery in Tallahassee at a future date.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Big Bend

Hospice Foundation at <https://bigbendhospice.charityproud.org/Donate>

Kelly Barber of Bevis Funeral Home (850-385-2193 or www.bevisfh.com) is assisting the Boccumini family with their arrangements.

Cemetery Details

Tallahassee National Cemetery

5015 Apalachee Parkway
Tallahassee, FL 32311

Events

Details are pending.