



## Michael Kelly

June 22, 1942 - November 24, 2023

Michael Donald Kelly, 81, passed from this earth on November 24, 2023, in Topeka, Kansas.

He was born on June 22, 1942, to Thomas and Edith (Belcher) Kelly in Chicago, Illinois. Michael was a loving husband, father, uncle, and brother. He married the love of his life, Lelona Kelly on her birthday, October 8, 1965. They welcomed their two children shortly after.

Michael graduated from College of Emporia and graduated with a bachelor's degree. He then went on to work as a Manager of Corporate Accounts for Blue Cross Blue Shield. He succeeded very much in his work life and his family life. Raising two young gentlemen with his wife, Lelona. He lived life to the fullest and cared very much for those around him.

He is survived by sons, Sean and Craig; grandchildren, Austin Kelly, Alexis Paras; siblings, Patrick, Robert, Louise, and Katherine, and several nieces and nephews. He is preceded in death by his parents.

Visitation will be 9:30 a.m. with a Mass at 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday, July 2, 2024, at Mater Dei Holy Name Catholic Church, 1114 SW 10th Street, Topeka, Kansas 66606. Committal service will be at Mount Calvary Cemetery at 1 p.m.

Memorial contributions may be made to Mater Dei Holy Name Catholic

Church in care of the funeral home.

Condolences may be sent online to [www.kevinbrennanfamily.com](http://www.kevinbrennanfamily.com)

# Cemetery Details

## Mount Calvary Cemetery

801 SW Westchester Rd  
Topeka, KS 66606

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL 2. 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM (CT)

Mater Dei Holy Name Church  
1114 SW 10th Street  
Topeka, KS 66604

## Mass of Christian Burial

JUL 2. 10:30 AM (CT)

Mater Dei Holy Name Church  
1114 SW 10th Street  
Topeka, KS 66604

## Committal Service

JUL 2. 1:00 PM (CT)

Mount Calvary Cemetery  
801 SW Westchester Rd  
Topeka, KS 66606



# Tribute Wall



“ *Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Michael Kelly*



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**Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home** - June 12, 2024 at 10:50 AM

PF

*Mike was a wonderful friend that I met through the Topeka St Patrick's Day Committee. He was always smiling and had a good time. My thoughts and prayers go out to his family.*

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**Pat Finan** - June 15, 2024 at 11:42 AM

WP

“ *I worked with Mike at Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Kansas for a number of years. His love of Democratic politics and of St Patrick's day were unabashed and heartfelt. His ready smile and cackling laugh brought a lot of joy to those around him.*

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**William Pitsenberger** - July 16, 2024 at 08:52 AM

KM

*He was always good for a laugh, he was one of the nicest men I ever met.*

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**Kathleen Marney** - May 27 at 09:26 PM

TL

“ Mike played bridge with my late life partner, Vince Nordberg. When Vince became very sick with cancer in 2016, Mike was always close by. One Monday afternoon, Mike and another bridge friend stayed with Vince so that I could go shopping. That night, I called Mike as Vince's health worsened. I called hospice. Mike stayed until hospice took Vince away. An hour later, I got a call from hospice. Vince had died. I called Mike first and then everybody else. I will always be grateful for the friendship Mike showed Vince. I will always be grateful that he was with us that night. To his family (including my former co-worker, Sean), please accept my love and sympathy for your loss.

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**Terry Larson** - June 30, 2024 at 02:27 PM

EG

“ Mike was a wonderful friend and great Bridge Player. He had a great personality. He was always so kind to help where needed.  
*Elizabeth Gilman*

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**Elizabeth Gilman** - June 14, 2024 at 07:59 AM

TG

“ Michael was a wonderful person i didn't know Michael im sending my sympaty to the family of Michael terry I glenn

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**Terry I glenn** - June 12, 2024 at 10:55 PM