



## Michael R. McLeod

January 28, 1959 - September 16, 2006

Michael R. McLeod passed away Saturday; September 16, 2006 at Bon Secours Hospital after a long battle with cancer at the age of 47. He was born January 28, 1959 in Mt. Clemens. Loving father of Chelsea, Roderick L.D. and the late Norma McLeod. Beloved son of Gladys and the late Roderick S. McLeod. Dear brother of Roderick (Debbie). Dear uncle of Ian and Meghan. Mr. McLeod was an honored teacher and head football coach at Grosse Pointe South High School.

# Previous Events

## Service

SEP **20**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Grosse Pointe Baptist Church  
21336 Mack  
Grosse Pointe, MI

## Service

SEP **21**. 7:30 PM (ET)

South Stadium (G.P. South High School)  
11 Grosse Pointe Boulevard  
Grosse Pointe Farms, MI

# Tribute Wall



“ I had not searched for this page until this morning. Mike loved Football, Denby HS, and his girlfriend ((I believe Iron Mountain)).

*Mike, John Sassin, and I all lived in the ZOO (2nd Floor at Van Antwerp Hall) at Northern Michigan University and Theta Chi Fraternity Brothers. Always celebrating St. Patty's Day and our mutual birthday of January 28th. All three of us (and several more) were close playing Chess, Cards, and Back Gammon and several other Zoo Theta Chi Members. Also spent many hours playing racketball and spending time at the Gym. After I was married to Deb D. who is a great cook. Mike was a regular coming over for dinner or a snack when I lived in Married Housing.*

*I had heard Mike left us a few years back, being close to our Mutual Birthday and St Patty's (which we continued to celebrate even when we were downstate).*

*John and I still stay in contact, but Mike (and John) were the best buds and great memories at NMU. My son David Michael was named in Mikes's honor.*

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**David Helstowski** - February 20, 2021 at 09:05 AM

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“ Mike was my roommate at Norther Michigan University in 1978. I was trying to look him up decades later and found this obituary. It's really sad for him to leave so soon. I remember he had a passion for life.... no matter what he did it was always at full speed. All my memories with Mike are positive and fun. Even when we had our disagreements, he made it interesting (like throwing my mattress out our second story window). Never dull with Mike. His passion for football was there back then and it makes sense he ended up as a football coach. Great Guy! Rest in Peace Mike!  
Brian Reid (btreid23@yahoo.com)

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Brian Reid - December 26, 2014 at 08:44 AM



“ hmm interesting site. Are you playing with my interesting whale Do you want a joke? :) Why does a turtle live in a shell? Because it can't afford an apartment.##imported-begin##EZWilliam##imported-end##

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November 11, 2008 at 09:52 PM



“ I met Mike my first day at college (NMU). He was a great friend, and was my Big Brother (sponser) in Theta Chi Fraternity. He had an incredible gift as a teacher and coach, even then; he was tough, yet had a sincere underlying compassion to his character. Godspeed Mike; know that through the lessons you taught me (and many others), your spirit continues to shine.##imported-begin##Jeff Magowan##imported-end##

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September 21, 2006 at 06:11 PM



“ Mike was a wonderful man and a great colleague. He was the first to help me out as a fellow coach and so warm and compassionate. There are so many times that his support and kindness kept me going. He was a great asset to Grosse Pointe South and will be greatly missed by all.##imported-begin##Peggy Van Eckoute##imported-end##

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September 20, 2006 at 09:59 PM



“ Mike was a good man, a good coach, and a good teacher. I new Mike for over 8 years, as a former player and student, he will be missed. Coach McLeod always cared about me and my life and he always put himself before anyone else. Its sad to think that he wont be around anymore, only in spirit and his memoried live on. God Bless.##imported-begin##Russ Fried##imported-end##

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September 19, 2006 at 10:34 PM



“ Mike,all your F.O.U.I. brothers will miss you and keep you in our hearts. You were a big man in many ways. The way I will rememner you was by the compassion you had for all you loved, and the comunity you served.##imported-begin##Dr. Thomas Shoens##imported-end##

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September 19, 2006 at 06:48 AM



“ Coach McLeod, as I grew to know him, taught me many things on the football field as well in classroom. I was deeply saddened to hear of his passing. He was a great Coach and well respected human being. Future football players and students will not have the great fortune to have such an influence in their lives as I did.##imported-begin##Jason Zakens##imported-end##

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September 18, 2006 at 05:09 PM



“ Mike was a great teacher not just on the football field.He showed me the right way to be a coach,Witch I still use today.We will miss you alot. You left us way to soon,But you will live on in are hearts forever.##imported-begin##Matt Szymanski##imported-end##

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September 18, 2006 at 10:30 AM



“ Michael and I met long ago when he was president of the fraternity I joined in 1980. I will always remember his thundering spirit and his refusal to let me or anyone quit. He also showed much kindness to us confused pledges, as we often needed his help! - I am very sorry for your loss and hope I can convey to you how he touched many in this world with kindness.

God Bless##imported-begin##Joe Finkelstine##imported-end##

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September 18, 2006 at 08:38 AM



“ Mike was one very special man. My son Dan learned all there was to learn about football from Mike. He was a friend, a leader and supportive in everyway. He taught discipline to the players that would last a lifetime.

*He is gone all too early.....too young. We will miss him very much but know he has a special place with God.*

*Love, JoAnn Loria##imported-begin##JoAnn Loria##imported-end##*

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September 17, 2006 at 11:19 PM