



## Michael Ralich

November 15, 1946 - January 12, 2021

Michael Ralich was born to Mike and Theresa (Young) Ralich on November 15, 1946, in Chicago, Il. He served in the US Air Force from 1964 until his honorable discharge in 1968. He was united in marriage with Vicky Lee Schey on May 24, 1975 in Staples, MN.

Michael, age 74, passed away on January 12, 2021, at the St. Cloud Hospital, due to complications of Covid-19.

Michael was preceded in death by parents Mike and Theresa, and one grandson. He is survived by his devoted wife Vicky; children Leslie (Dean) Sovich, Jim (Shannon) Schey, Michael Ralich, Nicola (Greg) Rowland and Richard (Kim) Ralich; 17 grandchildren, 6 great-grandchildren; along with a brother Bernard (Linda) Ralich.

Burial will be held at a later date in the Minnesota Veterans Cemetery, near Little Falls, MN

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--- Grandpa's Hands ---

When I was just a child and you would hold my hand,

I didn't have a worry I didn't understand.

As I grew and learned to stand up on my own,

sometimes I was scared and I felt alone.

But then you were standing by my side.  
You held my hand again and taught me not to hide.  
I am older and wiser now, now I understand  
the strength that was within me  
comes from Grandpa's hand.  
Love, Jason

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--- Letting Go ---

The angels gathered near your bed,  
so very close to you.  
For they knew all of the things  
that you were going through,  
I thought about so many things,  
I tightly held your hand,  
Oh, how I wished that you were strong  
and healthy once again;

But your eyes were looking homeward  
to a place beyond the sky,  
where God will hold you always,  
it was time to say goodbye;  
I struggled with my selfish thoughts --  
For I wanted you to stay  
So we could walk and talk again,  
Like we did -- just yesterday;

But God still knows what is best  
And I knew God loved you so  
So I gave you life's greatest gift;  
The gift of letting go.



# Cemetery Details

## **MN State Veterans Cemetery**

15550 Hwy 15  
Little Falls, MN 56345

# Events

**Details are pending.**

# Tribute Wall

JJ

“ So sorry to read about Mikes passing. I knew him since first grade and high school at SFDS. My sympathy to Mikes family. Classmate SFDS 1964. Jean Jorgens Inskeep

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**Jean Jotgens Inskeep** - February 27, 2021 at 02:43 PM

RA

“ My thought and prayers are with you Vickie and family. SFDS 1964 classmate.

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**Ronald Albrecht** - February 25, 2021 at 04:39 PM

BW

“ So sorry to hear of Mike's passing. Even though we did not hang out together, we went through four years of high school. So sorry to hear of his passing. Class of 64

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**Bill Witkowski** - February 25, 2021 at 12:29 PM

GR

“ Greg Resch lit a candle in memory of Michael Ralich



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**Greg Resch** - January 22, 2021 at 12:03 PM

WS

“ So very sorry Vickie and family. May it bring comfort to know Mike is truly blessed to be in heaven right there with Jesus! Our love and prayers surround you each during this difficult time.



Wayne and Sheila Stave - January 22, 2021 at 07:17 AM

AL

“ Our prayers are with your family. Arliss Lovelace

Arliss Lovelace - January 18, 2021 at 10:00 AM

CH

“ Sorry to hear of your loss. Will keep your family in our prayers !

Cecelia Harrison - January 16, 2021 at 09:05 AM

TM

“ Vicky also known to me as Victor I am so sorry for your loss. I love you. You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers during this difficult time.

Tiffany Manning - January 15, 2021 at 09:11 PM

MS

“ Mike And Lea Snyder lit a candle in memory of Michael Ralich



Mike and Lea Snyder - January 15, 2021 at 05:56 PM

CS

“ No one was more witty and fun to be with than Mike! We spent many weekends with Mike & Vick while living in the Twin Cities just sharing beer and talking about Mike's good old Chicago days. We'll deeply miss him!

Good bye for now, Chuck & Deb Schey

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**charles schey** - January 15, 2021 at 10:11 AM

AM

“ Dad thought a lot of Mike, Wonder if he (Mike) ever found that can of money in dad's yard! So many memories, Letting J.D. get packed and out of the burning house, your wedding ! Trips to Chicago, he and dad are catching up!

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**Anna Martak** - January 15, 2021 at 09:46 AM

AM

“ So sorry! But have quite a few memories of him, what a great man he was! Love to all of you!

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**Anna Martak** - January 15, 2021 at 09:41 AM

CD

“ I worked with Mike at the feed store in Verndale the summer of 93. I had just graduated high school and to be truthful was scared of Mike when I first met him! One day after a week or so of sizing me up, he shot me an accepting grin and I got to experience what a kind and caring guy Mike was. I enjoyed talking about baseball cards with him and what things he might have found at the flea market on Sunday. I hope more people got to know Mike for the man he really was. I only worked with Mike that one Summer but thoughts of him have lived with me ever since. My heart goes out to his family and friends. May God look over him.

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**Corey Derby** - January 14, 2021 at 10:56 PM

RC

“ *Roberta Crouse Carlson lit a candle in memory of Michael Ralich*



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**Roberta Crouse Carlson** - January 14, 2021 at 07:45 PM

LW

“ *Len and I met Mike at the Verndale Feed Store. What good times we had exchanging stories. He was a great guy. So sorry for your loss too, Jim. Hope your families are all well.*



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**Len and Sally Siegler of Wadena** - January 14, 2021 at 05:15 PM

CR

“ *Chris Randall lit a candle in memory of Michael Ralich*



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**Chris Randall** - January 14, 2021 at 07:34 AM