



## Mr. Michael L. Marcoux

June 8, 2023

### MICHAEL L. MARCOUX

Andover Educator and Businessman

Michael Leo Marcoux, of Andover MA, died peacefully Thursday June 8 at his home, after a short battle with cancer. Close family and friends were by his side.

Michael was born and raised in nearby Lawrence and was predeceased by his loving parents Leo and Gertrude Marcoux. Michael was a loving son and took such wonderful care of his parents.

Michael attended Central Catholic High School in Lawrence and Merrimack College in North Andover. He later attended Tufts University where he earned his Masters' Degree in Psychology.

He worked part time in the ER at Lawrence General Hospital, treating patients with psychological needs for 10 years.

It was his full-time job at Andover High School where Michael influenced and counseled hundreds of students for more than 30 years. Michael served as Senior Class Advisor, Student Government Advisor and organized and attended many senior class trips to Europe. He encouraged his students to read by establishing a Book Club. There is no end to the ways Michael mentored countless students over the years.

Michael had many interests and especially New England sports. He loved his Red Sox and enjoyed going to Fenway to watch a game. Come Fall, Michael loved watching and keeping up with the Patriots.

During the summer months, Michael could be found at The Park at Hampton Beach in Hampton, NH. Michael co-owned the Park with longtime friend and business partner, Mary Ellen Fennessy McDermott. They took over operations from their parents who purchased the park in 1965. Michael enjoyed planting flowers throughout the park and developed quite a green thumb under the tutelage of his dear friend and colleague, Josephine

Golden. Michael could be seen riding around the park in his golf cart, responding to every emergency from water leaks to errant raccoons and wildlife that refused to cooperate with the park rules.

When the park closed and the weather turned colder, Michael retreated to his home in Laconia on Lake Winnepesaukee. Michael enjoyed snowshoeing in the winter months and loved spending time with close friends who live nearby. A fun night out with friends and family often meant laughs and drinks overlooking Lake Winnepesaukee from Church Landing in Meredith.

Michael had a sharp eye for art. He enjoyed attending the Newburyport Art show every September with cousin, Carolyn Cox and close friends Rich and Mary Langlois.

Christmas was a favorite time for Michael. He loved buying gifts for family and friends and his generosity was endless. He enjoyed decorating for the holidays and had amassed a large collection of fun and decorative snowmen that could be found throughout his home. His holiday spirit was truly infectious.

Michael is survived by his beloved Aunt and Godmother, Theresa M Cox, cousins Audrey Cox and M. Carolyn Cox and Gene Manley, all of Lowell, and extended family members Jack Conway and his wife Noreen of Billerica. Close friends Sally O'Brien, Mary Ellen Fennessy McDermott and Godson, Patrick McDermott. He was predeceased by close friends Rick O'Brien and Bill McDermott.

His family would like to acknowledge and thank Doctor Jessica Weiselquist, Beacon Hospice and A and B Nursing Care for their care and comfort.

Friends and family may pay their respects at Fay McCabe Funeral Home, 105 Moore Street in Lowell on THURSDAY, June 15, 2023 from 2 until 8 PM. There will also be calling hours from 9 AM until 10:30 AM on FRIDAY MORNING at ST. ROBERT BELLARMINE CHURCH, 198 Haggetts Pond Road, Andover, followed by Michael's FUNERAL MASS at 11AM.

Burial will take place in St. Mary Cemetery, Tewksbury. MA.

As an expression of sympathy, donations may be made in Michael's memory to The Salvation Army, 250 Haverhill St. Lawrence, MA 01842 or at <https://easternusa.salvationarmy.org/massachusetts/lawrence/>

OR TO THE EDMUNDITE MISSIONS,

1428 Broad St., Selma, Alabama 36701 or at

<https://www.edmunditemissions.org/donate-now>

or at The Merrimack Valley Catholic Charities Food Bank, 70 Lawrence St. Lowell, MA

01852 or at <https://www.ccab.org/ways-to-give/donate/>

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# Cemetery Details

## St. Mary Cemetery

90 River Road  
North Tewksbury, MA 01876  
(978) 851-2248  
<http://www.stmarycemetery.com/>

# Previous Events

## Calling Hours

JUN **15**. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Fay McCabe Funeral Home  
105 Moore Street  
Lowell, MA 01852  
(978) 459-9222  
[sean@faymccabe.com](mailto:sean@faymccabe.com)  
<https://www.faymccabe.com>

## Calling Hours

JUN **16**. 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM (ET)

St. Robert Bellarmine  
198 Haggetts Pond Road  
Andover, MA 01810

## Funeral Mass

JUN **16**. 11:00 AM (ET)

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198 Haggetts Pond Road  
Andover, MA 01810

## Burial

JUN **16**. 12:30 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

“ Hello, I am a little late to expressing my gratitude for Mike and offering my condolences to the family. I am 59 years old and in 1981 I met Mike. He was a guidance counselor at my high school and he was assigned to my brother who had a difficult and dangerous childhood. Mike came to our house one day to see my brother and when he met me he asked me a few questions and said "Drop by my office at the high school."

To quote Ozzy Osborne I was "On a road to nowhere." at that time in my life.

But Mike saved me. He truly saved me. I started visiting Mike at his office at the high school and he worked with me to help me understand what was happening to me and he provided wisdom, compassion and kindness. He was so real.

I was a diehard Boston Bruins fan at this time and also came from a family that was hard-pressed on money so I had never attended a game. But Mike took me to the Boston Garden for a Bruins game. I was on cloud nine when we got there and my smile was from ear to ear. At that moment Mike said, "Today is worth it just to see that smile on your face."

I spent 3 years going to see Mike and he kept reminding me "Tim, you're a good person.":

He saved me as he saved and cared for so many. Today I am happily married and have 2 adult children and none of this would have happened if not for Mike.

Lastly, it wasn't just what Mike did for me it was who he was as a person. I came from a broken family and did not have very good role models but my 3 years spent with Mike instilled in me the desire to "Be like Mike." He was such a good and caring person and I thought often "That's who I want to be like."

And I have tried to do that. Of course, I am human and fall short many days to be like Mike but I still hear his voice when he saw me getting down on myself. "You're being so Hoylish," said with a smile.

He never told me what that meant but it always broke me out of my depressive and self-critical state.

The world has many current problems and challenges but we should all try and live life the way Mike did and the world would be a far better place.

We stayed in touch all through the years and I have told my family about Mike, who he was and how he lived over and over again.

To Mike's family - THANK YOU and know your son made a huge difference in many lives because that is who Mike was.

*Tim Hoyle*

**Tim Hoyle** - April 24, 2025 at 09:41 AM

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“ *This is so sad for our entire family. Mike made a meaningful difference to both our sons during their days at Andover High School and we will be forever grateful. He was a gentleman. Always caring. Always sincere. Always positive. R.I.P Michael. The Bellistri Family*

**Frank Bellistri** - June 15, 2023 at 07:58 AM

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**Mark Bedard** - June 15, 2023 at 07:24 AM

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**Mark Bedard** - June 15, 2023 at 07:23 AM

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Mark Bedard - June 14, 2023 at 06:03 PM

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“ Dear, Theresa, Audrey, Carolyn & Gene,

*It is very difficult to put into words what Mike meant to all of us. We were very blessed to have known Mike as one of our dearest friends. We still see him driving the blue pick-up truck making runs to the dump; can't seem to get that out of our mind. The following poem best captures the essence of who he was.*

*That Man is a Success (Robert Louis Stevenson)*

*Who has lived well, laughed often and loved much;  
Who has gained the respect of intelligent men and the love of children;  
Who has filled his niche and accomplished his task;  
Who leaves the world better than he found it, whether by an improved poppy or a perfect poem or a rescued soul;  
Who never lacked appreciation of earth's beauty or failed to express it;  
Who looked for the best in others and gave the best he had.  
He was such a beautiful man... we will miss him very much!!!*

*Love*

*Joan, Mark, Marie & Paul Bedard*

Mark Bedard - June 14, 2023 at 06:02 PM