



**Mr. Michael Benjamin
Castagnetto III**

February 8, 1962 - June 21, 2013

No obituary found for this tribute.

Cemetery Details

Italian Cemetery

540 F Street
Colma, CA

Previous Events

Graveside Service

JUL 3. 12:00 PM (PT)

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Colma, CA

Tribute Wall

Ron
Taddei

“ *Ron Taddei lit a candle in memory of Mr.
Michael Benjamin Castagnetto III*



Ron Taddei - September 05, 2015 at 03:51 PM



“ *Dear Castagnetto family,*

I was so shocked and saddened to hear of Mike's passing. Your family has been such a big part of my family's life for so many years. I have many fond memories of dinners and beach barbecues with the crew from the Golden Gate Rod and Gun Club.

Mike was so well-loved by all who knew him. He was always such a warm, caring, fun-loving guy. Quick with a smile and kind words. Always had a twinkle in his eyes.

I am deeply sorry for your tragic loss. I hope, in time, your memories will bring you comfort.

*With love,
Diana Grappasonno*

Diana Grappasonno - July 05, 2013 at 06:59 PM

“ To Mike’s Family:

On Monday night when I read about Mike’s passing, I literally had to sit down to absorb the shock. I was 9700 miles away but was headed home the day of the funeral. My flight came in at 9:30 a.m., so was able to pay my respects in person. I was not surprised that it was standing room only - packed with friends and family who loved Mike.

Over the last couple of days, I have been in touch with a few of Mike’s friends from Lowell and Visitacion Valley. We reminisced about Mike’s impact on each of us.

Mike taught me a number of things during those years when we hung out. Here are just a few that came to mind:

- Definition of a good meal: Italian salami, Swiss cheese and sourdough bread washed down with Calistoga mineral water was a good meal – if you are enjoying yourselves in a little boat on Lake Merced with a few good friends.

- Laws of physics: 1.) The aluminum ladder on his Dad’s boat will sink if not hooked on properly. Sorry about that Mr. Castagnetto. Did we ever pay you back for a replacement? 2.) A pick-up truck ,with no bed on it, will fishtail if you turn too fast on a dirt road.

- Weightlifting: “Always remember to work your legs too. Don’t be like those guys with huge arms and shoulders but with skinny legs.” I should have paid more attention. My legs buckled when I read the news of his death.

- Commitment and dedication: Mike refused to leave his post at the Italian Club Focaccia sale at school – despite our begging him to join us to go bowling. We all ended up staying to help him sell every slice. To this day, I can’t eat Focaccia without thinking of Mike.

One mutual friend, Ron Bertola, sent me his top 10 list of his memories of Mike. I smiled when I read the first 9 and laughed when I read the 10th. The list brought back great memories of

Mike's youthful exuberance and passion for life. It sounds like he continued with that same passion in everything he did.

We all have 2 dates written on our tombstone: the date we are born and the date we die. For Mike it was February 8, 1962 - June 21, 2013. I just wanted to let you know I really value the part of his "dash" in the middle – when he made an indelible mark on my life.

RIP, Mike Castagnetto.

Leonardo ("Led") Galvan

Leonardo Galvan - July 04, 2013 at 03:08 AM

JG

“*Dear Mike and Lorraine,
We are deeply saddened to hear of Michael's passing. You are in our thoughts and prayers.
Jack & Dolly Giusto*

Jack Giusto - July 02, 2013 at 01:30 PM

RG

“*So sorry for your loss. We will never forget Michael. He will always be in our memory. You were blessed with a great son.
Ray Gigliati & the Bonanno Family*

Ray Gigliati - July 02, 2013 at 10:37 AM

PL

“ To Mike's family,
I'm so sorry to hear of Mike's passing, you are all in our thoughts and prayers. I had the pleasure of meeting and working with Mike when he first took over the company. Before that I had never met anyone besides my brother, Nelly Lang, who worked harder at this trade than Mike and even more than that, he was honest and very loyal to his customers and employees.
He will truly be missed and remembered by all that shared a "mop n mop cart" with the brother Mike.

Sincerely, Pete Lang.

Peter Lang - July 01, 2013 at 07:00 PM

AB

“ Dear Mike, Lorianne & Family,
With our deepest sympathy at this difficult time. You are all in our thoughts and prayers.
May your memories bring you comfort.
Love,
Tom & Angie Bouchard



Angela Spediacci Bouchard - July 01, 2013 at 05:50 PM

AB

“ Dear Mike & Lorraine,
With most heartfelt sympathy on the loss of your son Michael. Ray and I are sending our thoughts and prayers and wishing you both comfort at this difficult time.
Much Love,
Ray & Madeline Spediacci

Angela Spediacci Bouchard - July 01, 2013 at 05:40 PM



“ *Memories to Treasure was purchased for the family of Mr. Michael Benjamin Castagnetto III.*



July 01, 2013 at 04:06 PM



“ *To Mike's Family, I am sorry, stunned, and saddened to hear the news of Mike's passing. Although I have not spoken to Mike in many years, I still feel as if I know him well. I was one of his Lowell HS crew of friends and I remember his kindness, honesty, and humor. And, he could lift iron and drink Calistoga water like no other. I too am a husband and father, so I'm very happy to read that his life was full, and that he had the love of his family. May he rest in peace.*

Ron Bertola

Ron Bertola - July 01, 2013 at 01:01 PM



“ *With our deepest sympathy to the family of Michael Castagnetto III*

Sincerely,

Leona and Joe Kennel

irene crescio - July 01, 2013 at 11:46 AM

LS

“ Hi Michael and Lorraine,

We were reading the Sunday Paper and my wife came upon the Obituaries and let out a "Oh my God", which was a result of her seeing Michael Jr.'s name and needless to say, I was in shock as well.

We have a son the same age and the loss must be devastating for you both, As you know, Mike was our perpetual caretaker of our roofs and a personal friend, following in the tradition of his Father.

We always looked forward to seeing him, his smiling face, wonderful personality was always a bright spot in our life and he will be missed greatly by us. Mike and Lorraine, no words can ever replace the great loss you are experiencing, but as the old proverb quotes, "Gone, but never forgotten.....!" sure is applicable in Mike's case.

He surely will be missed, but because of his spontaneous and contagious smile and personality, plus his commitment to his profession and family, he sure will be with us forever.

Our prayers are with you all - Leonard and Virginia Stefanelli,

Leonard and Virginia Stefanelli - July 01, 2013 at 11:35 AM

BJ

“ *Mike and Lorraine - Please know my prayers are with you and the rest of your family during this extremely difficult time. Thinking of you.... Bre Jones*

Bre Jones - July 01, 2013 at 09:32 AM

MS

“ Dear Mike, Lorraine and Theresa- I was so saddened to read of Mike's passing. My thoughts and prayers are with you during this very difficult time. It may sound trite, but time helps ease the pain. In time, you will be able to think of Mike and smile and not ache in your heart. With love- Maggie Stonum-Cox

Maggie Stonum-Cox - July 01, 2013 at 12:15 AM



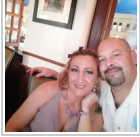
“ Dear Mike, Lorraine and family, we are stunned and saddened to learn of Michael's passing. We knew him as a courteous and dependable gentleman. You have our sympathy. Joe & Emily Farrah

Emily Farrah - June 30, 2013 at 04:41 PM

JB

“ My condolences to the Castagnetto family. I went to Lowell HS with Mike, and he was such a sweet, quiet and great guy. He hung around a close group of friends from Vis Valley. I will note his memory on our Lowell Class of 80 facebook page. And like all alums from our Class who passed, we will honor and remember him in our upcoming reunions. Heaven has a new angel now, and an even wonderful roofer. :)
--Joy Bagnol-Estudillo

Joy Bagnol-Estudillo - June 30, 2013 at 02:37 PM



“ To the Castagnetto family, our deepest condolences during this hard time. I grew up with Mike C. Sr. & Mike C. Jr. going duck hunting, dove hunting, GGR&G club meeting's and the ever so memorable annual houseboat trips. I had a strong connection towards Mike as a kid growing up almost like he was the big brother I didn't have. I have so many great memories with Mike as a kid and from my early adult life I could write on forever. I had the pleasure of spending six weeks backpacking through Europe with Mike and another friend, that is a trip I will remember forever. I remember driving down a gravel road at the duck club on Norman/Prinston Rd. on the back of Mike's three wheeler towing a trailer, loosing control, then flying off the road into the field ending with my leg wrapped up under the back tire. We both laughed once we knew we were both o.k. I feel blessed to have spent so many wonderful times with mike during the years. You will be remembered and loved forever brother .R.I.P.

Marco & Tony Grappasonno

Marco Grappasonno - June 29, 2013 at 01:39 PM

Jl

“ To the Castagnetto family, Our deepest sympathy to all of you, We will miss Mike with all our heart, especially his sense of humor, He was my brothers best friend and there when Tom and my dad needed him for that nagging roof leak that would travel from place to place on dad's house, His love of duck hunting is one to be treasured, He will be missed. May he rest in peace.

John, Vicki, & Courtney loimo

John loimo - June 28, 2013 at 08:50 PM

ED

Our deepest sympathy to Mike and Lorraine on the loss of your beloved son. Please know that you are in our prayers. You have an Angel in Heaven. Sincerely, Ed and Bobbi Damonte

Ed and Bobbi Damonte - June 30, 2013 at 10:17 PM

RB

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Ron Bertola

Ron Bertola - July 01, 2013 at 11:45 AM