



## Michael R. Hilscher

June 25, 1942 - December 25, 2023

Loved by many, Michael Robe Hilscher, father, brother, grandfather, and great-grandfather passed away in the early hours of Christmas day, December 25, 2023 at the age of 81. Mike was born on June 25, 1942, to Bill and Patt Hilscher of Wenatchee, WA. Mike enlisted in the US Navy at the age of 17, following his high school graduation from Wenatchee High School in 1960. He completed two tours in Vietnam as a Sea-Bee and served our nation for 20 years as a career Navy man. Upon retiring from the Navy, Mike returned to Wenatchee and worked in a variety of industries, including the Burlington Railroad, until his retirement in 2007. Mike loved horses, boating, and snowmobiling. Mike and his long-time domestic partner, Kathy Browning, were involved in “Grandparents Raising Grandchildren” as they helped raise Ms. Browning’s grandson.

Mike was predeceased by his father, Bill Hilscher, in 1979; his mother, Patt Hilscher, in 2019; and his domestic partner, Kathy Browning in 2019. Mike is survived by his two daughters, Natasha Jewett and Tonya Payne; sister, Pat Hilscher; five grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

A Memorial Service is planned for Friday, January 5, 2024 at 11 am at the Jones and Jones-Betts funeral home chapel located at 302 9th St. in Wenatchee with interment to follow at the Wenatchee City Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Confluence Home Health & Hospice Care.

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

JAN 5. 11:00 AM (PT)

Jones & Jones ~ Betts Funeral Home  
302 9thStreet  
Wenatchee, WA 98801  
(509) 662-1561  
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# Tribute Wall

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“ *There are so many wonderful memories with Mike and Kathy. He was such a kind and generous friend, going way out of his way to encourage and champion. One of the first genuine persons I met when I moved to Wenatchee years ago. He will always hold a special place in my heart. Donna Dietz-Drollinger*

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