

Michael D. Short Sr. Obituary

On November 3rd, 2022 Michael D. Short Sr. 73, passed away due to a heart attack. His passing was sudden and a shock to his family and friends. Mike was a loving husband, father, and grandfather who always had an open door at the homes he shared with his beloved Claudia Boozer-Short. Mike and Claudia fell in love in their later years, were together for twelve years, and married for five of those. Recently they've been snow birds traveling between their family homes in North Carolina and Maine.

"Dad" was an extraordinary listener who helped his children, Andrew Short and Mike Short Jr., navigate life at every turn. We'll always remember the life lessons he taught us and the donuts every Sunday morning. We'll also remember the countless Boy Scout trips, fishing on Great Pond, and not-so-fun times cleaning up the yard in our childhood home in Medfield, MA. He was quite the Dad.

Mike was a lifetime civil servant who spent his childhood traveling with his father, John Short, and family throughout the world for the US Army. He was extremely proud of being a Norwich University graduate. Mike spent his career first as a 1LT in the US Army Signal Corp, then as a Contract Administrator for the Department of Defense, while also a LTC in the Massachusetts National Guard. He was a passionate American who cared deeply about our country.

Mike "Dad and Pa" Short loved his time most of all in Maine, sitting with Claudia on the deck by Great Pond or playing with his granddaughters. He would gladly take a bad weather day in Maine over any day anywhere else.

Mike is preceded in death by his parents, John Short and Lillian Short. He is survived by his wife Claudia Boozer-Short, former wife Mary F. Short, his two sons Mike and Andrew, their wives Victoria Parsons and Collette Short, granddaughters Emaline Short and Maren Short, brother John Short, sister-in-law Sharon Short, sister Peggy (Short) Sierakowski and brother-in-law John Sierakowski, sister Kathy (Short) Benson, and many nieces and nephews.

His memorial service will be this summer at his beloved Great Pond in Maine.

In lieu of flowers; donations to the Belgrade Lakes Association would be a wonderful way to remember him. www.belgradelakesassociation.org.