



## Michael Lee Bina

April 17, 2018

Michael Lee Bina, age 63, died at his home in Bloomington, Minnesota of a sudden heart attack on Tuesday, April 17, 2018.

Michael was born in Decorah, Iowa on June 29, 1954 to Victor and Lillian (Triska) Bina. Raised in Spillville, Iowa, Michael attended St. Wenceslaus School. Michael graduated from South Winneshiek High School in Calmar, Iowa in 1972, and from Luther College in Decorah, Iowa in 1976.

Michael married Diane Tverberg on June 19, 1976 at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Independence, Iowa. Living in Bloomington, Minnesota, Michael worked for The Toro Company (1977-1981), Thermo-King (1981-1982), and Honeywell (1982-2016).

Michael loved his family and he loved God. He loved long conversations with his older brother and he loved playing with his nieces and nephews (“Up on shoulders, Uncle Michael!”) and watching them grow. Michael enjoyed watching Hogan’s Heroes, a show he watched with his father – a POW in Germany – while growing up.

Michael was a natural-born problem solver with strong mechanical and electrical talents. He was in junior high when he and his father, a tractor mechanic, restored an old Farmall tractor. Michael loved keeping up on tractor and farming advances. A perfect fall day for him would include watching a farmer working in his fields.

Michael was energized by interactions with others. He loved discussing politics and was passionate about smart investing. Michael loved sharing investment knowledge and resources with friends and family so that they could look forward to a stress-free retirement. Michael was active in both Bogleheads and AAIL (American Association of Individual Investors).

Survivors include his wife Diane Tverberg-Bina; brother Marty Bina of Decorah, IA; sisters-in-law Jean Bina (Ted McNally) of Monona, IA; Gail Tverberg (Ben Setzer) of Kennesaw,

GA; Pauline (Dennis) Shoemaker of New Berlin, WI; Elaine (Dietrich) Fabricius of Hendersonville, NC; Maureen Tverberg (Niki Athis) of Seattle, WA; and Lois Tverberg of Holland, MI; brother-in-law David (Lora) Tverberg of Owatonna, MN; and numerous nephews, nieces, grand-nephews and grand-nieces.

He was preceded in death by parents Victor and Lillian Bina, brother Andrew Bina, uncle James Triska, parents-in-law Miltzo and Laura Tverberg, and grandparents James and Emma Triska and Mathias and Frances Bina.

Visitation will be on Tuesday, April 24th from 4-7 pm and one hour before the service at St. Michael's Lutheran Church, 9201 Normandale Blvd., Bloomington, MN. A memorial service will be held at 11 am on Wednesday, April 25th at St. Michael's.

Memorials preferred to The Spectrum Network, Decorah, Iowa ([www.thespectrumnetwork.org](http://www.thespectrumnetwork.org)).

# Comments

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“ I am so heartbroken and send my deepest sympathy to Mike's wife and family. I worked with him at Honeywell for many years and he was so warm and kind and always had a story to share. He always made me smile. Mike was the type of person who went out of his way to help. He was smart, professional, and wonderful to work with. This is such a loss, at such a young age, I am so very sorry to hear about his passing. Jan Rivera

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