

Michael Richard Hay, loving husband, father, and brother, died of kidney cancer in October 2024. Michael was born in Racine, Wisconsin to Richard Hay and Helen Hay. He is survived by his wife, April Eggleston Hay; his sons, Steven Michael Hay, Michael Joseph Hay, and Mark Garrett Hay; and his siblings, Gary Hay, Susan Anderegg and Connie Ploch. Michael enjoyed a happy childhood, and after graduating high school, he attended the United State Air Force Academy, majoring in Civil Engineering. After graduating USAFA in 1973, he entered pilot training on the C-141 and met April who was an air traffic controller stationed in Altus, Oklahoma. They married in 1975. Michael ended his military service in 1979 and went on to pursue a long career in commercial aviation, first with a start-up airline and then with Northwest Airlines, where he became a Captain of the B-747 and flew international routes until he retired. Michael's main hobby was working on various cars, but his special love was Corvettes. He loved listening to music of many genres, and made friends wherever he went. He will be missed by all.

Michael's ashes will be placed at the Prescott National Cemetery on Friday, November 1st at 1400, with Military Honors. Preceded by a Veteran's Motorcycle Salute at 1340