



Honorable Michael S. Kanne

December 21, 1938 - June 16, 2022

Michael Stephen Kanne, 83, of Rensselaer, Indiana, passed away peacefully at home on June 16, 2022. Michael was born in Rensselaer on December 21, 1938, to the late Allen R. and Jane (Robinson) Kanne.

Michael attended St. Augustine Catholic School, Rensselaer Central High School, Indiana University, and the IU School of Law. He earned his Bachelor of Science degree from IU in 1962. Michael enlisted in the U.S. Air Force, serving from 1962-1965 and earning the title of 1st Lieutenant. He went back to college and earned his law degree in 1968. He then utilized his law degree to build an illustrious career in the judicial system over a span of fifty years. Being a lifelong Rensselaer resident, he started as an attorney serving those in Jasper and surrounding counties from 1968-1972. He also served as the attorney for the City of Rensselaer in 1972. From 1972-1982, Michael sat as the judge for the Jasper County Circuit Court. In 1982, he was nominated by President Ronald Reagan to a seat on the United States District Court for the Northern District of Indiana, was confirmed, and received his commission. In 1987, Michael was again nominated by President Reagan to a seat on the United States Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit, was confirmed, and received his commission. During his career, he was active in the Judicial Conference of the United States, chair of Judicial Security, member of space and facilities, chair of the sub-committee that developed the United States Courts Design Guide, and Vice President of the Indiana Judicial Bar. He

remained in active service until his passing.

On June 22, 1963, he married his love, Judith Ann Stevens, in Bloomington, IN at the Indiana University Chapel. They also had a service at St. Augustine Catholic Church in Rensselaer, where he was a member. Michael was a founding member and President of Camp Kanne, a boy scout youth organization located in Rensselaer. He also served on the St. Augustine and the St. Joseph's College board of trustees.

He is survived by his wife Judy; children, Anne Elizabeth (Mark Padly) Kanne and Katherine Stevens Kanne; and brother, Edward A. (Kyriacoula "Koula") Kanne.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

Visitation will be held at Jackson Funeral Chapel on Tuesday, June 28, 2022, from 3:00 PM – 7:00 PM CDT and on Wednesday, June 29, 2022, from 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM CDT. The Funeral Mass will be held following the visitation at St. Augustine Catholic Church at 12:00 PM CDT. Interment will follow at Mt. Calvary Cemetery, Rensselaer, with full military rites.

Memorial contributions may be made to the St. Augustine Catholic School.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN **28.** 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Jackson Funeral Chapel of Rensselaer
250 N. McKinley Avenue
P.O. Box 70
Rensselaer, IN 47978
(219) 866-5123
info@jacksonfuneral.com
<https://www.jacksonfuneral.com>

Visitation

JUN **29.** 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM (CT)

Jackson Funeral Chapel of Rensselaer
250 N. McKinley Avenue
P.O. Box 70
Rensselaer, IN 47978
(219) 866-5123
info@jacksonfuneral.com
<https://www.jacksonfuneral.com>

Funeral Mass

JUN **29.** 12:00 PM (CT)

St. Augustine Catholic Church
318 North McKinley Avenue
Rensselaer, IN 47978
(219) 866-5351
<https://stmichaelpastorate.org/>

Tribute Wall



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Honorable Michael S. Kanne.*



June 28, 2022 at 08:45 AM



“ *Chip & Carrie Parrish and family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Honorable Michael S. Kanne.*



Chip & Carrie Parrish and family - June 27, 2022 at 04:27 PM



“ *Zing Zang Team purchased the Serenity Wreath for the family of Honorable Michael S. Kanne.*



Zing Zang Team - June 27, 2022 at 03:37 PM



“ *Seventh Circuit Clerk's Office purchased the Sacred Duty Spray for the family of Honorable Michael S. Kanne.*



Seventh Circuit Clerk's Office - June 27, 2022 at 01:00 PM

PW

“ So sorry to hear of your loss, Judy!

Peter and Jody Watkins - June 26, 2022 at 09:11 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Honorable Michael S. Kanne.



June 26, 2022 at 08:03 PM

IC

“ IN Northern District & Bankruptcy Courts purchased the Lily and Rose Tribute Spray for the family of Honorable Michael S. Kanne.



IN Northern District & Bankruptcy Courts - June 24, 2022 at 10:43 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Honorable Michael S. Kanne.



June 23, 2022 at 07:15 PM

JE

“ We are so very sorry for your loss, Judy. Our deepest condolences to you and your family. Local History Services, Indiana Historical Society

Jeannette - June 23, 2022 at 11:53 AM

RV

“ To Judy and Family: I was one of six Federal Security Officers at the Halleck Federal Building downtown Lafayette. Michael was so pleasant to visit with. When you entered his private room he always greeted you and had you sit with him to visit. I retired August 15 2008 and moved to the Villages, FL. So sorry to hear about your loss. Judy I also had the chance to visit with you in St Augustine Church one Sunday; Judge Kanne was not present because of illness. May God grant him eternal rest and peace and I will always remember him. Robert E Vogel

Robert Vogel - June 22, 2022 at 09:44 PM



“ With Distinction was purchased for the family of Honorable Michael S. Kanne.



June 22, 2022 at 01:20 PM

MS

“ Many condolences to you, Judy and all of your family. Mark A. Smith, Carroll County Historian.

Mark Smith - June 22, 2022 at 10:21 AM



“ Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Honorable Michael S. Kanne.



June 22, 2022 at 10:18 AM



“ Larry And Judy Koebcke lit a candle in memory of Honorable Michael S. Kanne



Larry and Judy Koebcke - June 21, 2022 at 10:37 PM



“ Jerry Miller lit a candle in memory of Honorable Michael S. Kanne



Jerry Miller - June 21, 2022 at 04:40 PM



“ The Staff Attorneys' Office purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Honorable Michael S. Kanne.



The Staff Attorneys' Office - June 21, 2022 at 04:37 PM



“ *Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Honorable Michael S. Kanne.*



June 21, 2022 at 11:35 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Honorable Michael S. Kanne.*



June 21, 2022 at 10:57 AM



“ *Judy,*

So sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.

Myles



Myles Beeching - June 21, 2022 at 07:35 AM



“ *Don And Gloria Waymouth lit a candle in memory of Honorable Michael S. Kanne*



Don and Gloria Waymouth - June 20, 2022 at 06:22 PM

GK

“ George & Joan Kanne lit a candle in memory of Honorable Michael S. Kanne



George & Joan Kanne - June 20, 2022 at 12:25 PM

ML

“ Martha Langlely lit a candle in memory of Honorable Michael S. Kanne



Martha Langlely - June 20, 2022 at 10:19 AM

GB

“ Deepest sympathy.



Gloria Baier - June 20, 2022 at 07:42 AM

JM

“ Jacque Mitchell lit a candle in memory of Honorable Michael S. Kanne



Jacque Mitchell - June 20, 2022 at 02:19 AM

LM

“ *Laura McKesson sent a virtual gift in memory of Honorable Michael S. Kanne*



Laura McKesson - June 19, 2022 at 10:24 PM

JB

“ *Judy Burvan lit a candle in memory of Honorable Michael S. Kanne*



Judy Burvan - June 19, 2022 at 09:43 PM

JS

“ *Judy Siegrist lit a candle in memory of Honorable Michael S. Kanne*



Judy Siegrist - June 19, 2022 at 08:48 PM

SC

“ *Our sympathy to Judy and girls. He'll leave a big void in your lives. Such a good guy. Kenny & Sandra Culp*



Sandra Culp - June 19, 2022 at 08:36 PM

SL

“ *Susan And Mary Lewis lit a candle in memory of Honorable Michael S. Kanne*



Susan and Mary Lewis - June 19, 2022 at 06:35 PM