



## Mr. Michael Selvaggi

January 8, 1942 - December 5, 2023

On December 5, 2023, Michael Selvaggi, beloved husband, father, and grandfather, went to his eternal home. Born in Newark, NJ to Enrico and Angelina Selvaggi, he is survived by his wife of nearly 60 years: Elizabeth; his three children: Michael Selvaggi (Donna), Cheryl Ruziska (Michael), and Andrea Woodring (Corey); and six grandchildren: Michael, Alex, Elizabeth, Madeline, Mackenzie, and Harper.

Those who were fortunate to know Mike knew his immense devotion was not only to his family, but to the 50+ years he spent working at Cornell Dubilier Electronics. Upon his retirement as Cornell's International Sales Vice President, Mike spent the subsequent years volunteering at Prisma Health Oconee Memorial Hospital, the ARC of Oconee County, and the Knights of Columbus at St. Paul the Apostle Church in Seneca, SC. He enjoyed being active in his community in Keowee Key in Salem, SC and could often be found walking the Leisure Trail or in the Fitness Center.

The family would like to thank Dr. Jay Nayak, Mike's oncologist, Father Bill, Deacon Harve, and the staff at Cottingham Hospice House for the grace bestowed upon Mike during his cancer battle and in his final days. In lieu of flowers, please consider making a donation to the ARC of Oconee County at [www.arcofoconee.org](http://www.arcofoconee.org), or to Hospice of the Foothills at Prisma Health Hospice of the Foothills, attn: Foundation Office, 298 Memorial Dr., Seneca, SC 29672.

A celebration of Mike's life will be held at St. Paul the Apostle Catholic Church in Seneca, SC at a later announced time.

# Tribute Wall

MW

“ I had no idea Mike had passed. I was looking for him because I was reminded of him in a show I was watching. I worked with Mike for years through distribution but hadn't seen him for some time. Mike was an amazing man, leader, and friend. I'm so sorry for the family's loss. I pray he didn't not suffer.

*Michelle Wilhelm  
ETI Systems*

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**Michelle Wilhelm** - April 15, 2025 at 10:50 PM

HH

“ Betty, I am sorry to hear about Michael's passing. I did not know he was ill. There is little I can offer in this situation. I know how it feels to lose a spouse. You will live on the memories that you two have created. It was a joy for Barbara and me to know you two. God Bless. I hope to see you at the Celebration of Life. Harry Hornburg

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**Harry Hornburg** - December 18, 2023 at 04:38 PM

SC

“ I am so sorry for your loss sending you love I remember Michael he was a great guy



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**Sandy Denise Bruce Coleman** - December 17, 2023 at 06:44 AM

MA

“ Mike was a beautiful friend and I enjoyed our conversations about his travels, worldview and animals. He was always willing to help. My condolences to his wife Betty, their children and grandchildren. He will be missed💖🕊️

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**Margit** - December 11, 2023 at 09:33 PM

PH

“ I am so sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with all of you at this sad time.



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**Patricia Graham Holcombe** - December 10, 2023 at 10:59 PM

JG

“ I worked with Mike for over 50 years at Cornell Dubilier and during that time my most vivid memory of Mike is of the days spent during the Electronic Distribution Show (EDS) in the Spring in Las Vegas. While he was VP of Sales, he oversaw all of the meetings. With dinner commitments, days were long and yet Mike would be up at 4:30 to insure that he got his jog/walking in. He was dedicated to his work and family and I am fortunate enough to have been counted as one of his friends.  
My condolences to Betty and his family.

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**Joe Gracia** - December 07, 2023 at 09:14 PM