



Michael B. Pavlina Jr.

March 16, 1932 - July 9, 2025

Michael B. Pavlina, Jr., 93, passed away on Wednesday, July 9, 2025 in Buffalo Grove, IL. He was born on March 16, 1932 in Whiting, IN, and has lived in the Northwest Suburbs of Chicago, IL, for most of his life. Michael received his bachelor's degree in philosophy from Loyola University Chicago and had a fond love of railroading, including building an extensive HO-scale railroad layout. He also enjoyed hockey, especially the Chicago Blackhawks, photography, gardening and collecting gems, and was a credentialed graduate of the Gemological Institute of America.

Surviving is his wife of 69 years, Carolyn Pavlina; 2 sons, Thomas Pavlina & and Christopher (Gail) Pavlina; grandchildren, Sondra Adams, David (Sarah) Pavlina, Kelsey (John) Hugunin and Connor (Elizabeth) Pavlina; sister Anne Kantz and brother Kenneth (Deanna) Pavlina; fond uncle of many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his son, Kevin Pavlina and his parents, Michael B. Pavlina, Sr. and Ann (Pollack) Pavlina.

A visitation will be held from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. Sunday, July 13, 2025, at Burnett-Dane Funeral Home, 120 W. Park Ave. in Libertyville. Entombment will be at Ascension Cemetery. For info: 847-362-3009 or share a memory at www.burnettdane.com.

Previous Events

Visitation Celebration

JUL 13. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

Burnett-Dane Funeral Home
120 West Park Avenue
Libertyville, IL 60048
(847) 362-3009

Tribute Wall



“ Mike was my brother in law for 69 years!
I have especially fond memories of him working on his genealogical programs with intense interest, precision and always, persistence. For a while we worked together coming up with details about my sister Carolyn's and my family-Schroeders, Schneiders, Reifs, and Welters.
Mike and I even went up to the Appleton WI area looking at cemeteries, churches, homes, and workplaces of my ancestors there in the early 1900's, We even found some relatives and visited them. It was so exciting.
With his skills with the computer program he ran off and shared a large quantity of genealogical data.
Driving back from a trip East with my husband Greg, we headed for Kalamazoo MI, hopefully to find some gravesites there in a very large, old, venerable cemetery. We called up Mike and got the details. To this day I don't know how, with his guidance while we were circling around inside the cemetery, all of a sudden I glanced up the deeply shaded hillside and saw a stream of sunlight on the two head stones-Borgia and Karoline. It was thrilling. Many thanks Mike! We will miss you.
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“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Michael B. Pavlina Jr..



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