



Mike Love

J. Michael Love of Oak Park died in his home on Monday, March 22 of complications associated with AIDS. He died in the arms of his lover of 12 years Michael Dukes. Love was 52.

Born on December 22, 1940 in Highland Park, Love grew up in that town and graduated from the Highland Park High School in 1958. After graduating from high school, Love joined the United States Navy and after basic training did specialized training to become a Navy Medic.

After leaving the service he worked at state hospital in Indiana for a short while before returning to Michigan where he took a job at the Dearborn Engine plant of the Ford Motor Company. He was a quality control supervisor there when he took a medical retirement in December, 1992 after 29 and a half years.

Love was an active member, for the last eleven years, of the Dynamic Living Process Self-Awareness program. He loved to collect Disney memorabilia and had an extensive wardrobe of Polo brand clothing. To many who knew him he was Detroit's Polo king.

Survivors, in addition to his lover Michael Dukes, include his former wife and two daughters all in California and eight brothers and sisters.

Funeral services were held on Friday, March 26 at the Spaulding and Curtin Funeral Home in Ferndale. His cremated remains will be scattered in Sedona, Arizona — a place where he had vacationed and found to be the most peaceful place on earth.

Memorials should be made to the International Center for Personal Development, 23071 Sherman, Oak Park, Michigan 48237.