



## Michael John Duersten

March 1, 1928 - September 16, 2014

Michael John "MJ" Duersten, 86, of Tequesta, FL, passed away peacefully on September 16, 2014. MJ was born March 1, 1928 in Marathon, Wisconsin. He served in the U.S. Army during the Korean Conflict and attended the University of Wisconsin. He started Crestway Homes in Brookfield, Wisconsin and with his brother they opened Racine County Bank with two locations in Wisconsin. He developed a life-long passion for the game of golf, and just last week he was giddy for scoring 3 shots under his age of 86. He was an honest individual and possessed the gift of perseverance which served him well in the past years. He had a genial temperament and a sincere affection for happiness. MJ was one of a kind and will be missed both on and off the course. He leaves behind his three children, Ann Summers, Jean (Jim) McGinn and Robert Duersten all of Jupiter, FL; and two grandchildren, Lauren McGinn and Michael McGinn. He is predeceased by his sisters, Mary Mulvaney and Kathleen Duersten; and brother, Leo Duersten. A memorial gathering for family and friends to celebrate MJ's life will take place at the 19th hole at Jupiter Country Club on Wednesday, September 24, 2014 from 4:00 – 6:00 PM.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Michael John Duersten*

October 22, 2023 at 10:17 AM



“ *Our sense is that Michael lived the kind of life that a lot people, including me, really envied." A devil may care attitude" it always seemed to me that he took life the way it was handed to him & never let anything interfere unless it was Golf.  
" He did what he wanted to do" & if that perception is wrong, then he takes to Heaven- an academy award- for being "The Great Pretender"*

*We will miss you Michael!! "Salud"*

*Diane & herb*

**diane & herb evans - jupiter fl., FL - friend** - September 25, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“ *To: Robbie, Jean, Ann:*

*MJ was a fantastic man. Although I did not play golf with him we did enjoy Sushi and a glass of white wine from time-to-time. He was always amused with the stock market and what he didn't lose. His humor will not be forgotten. Much love and prayers to the family.*

**Beverly Wortman - Pewaukee, WI - friend** - September 24, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“ *I will miss my golfing partner of 40 years. His humor and wit always surprised me. See you in a few years Mike! Dennis Punches*

**Dennis Punches - Jupiter, FL - friend** - September 24, 2014 at 12:00 AM

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“ To Jean, Jim and Robby

*I want to express my deepest sympathy on the passing of MJ*

*I knew him a long time and shared many drinks and rounds of golf with him.*

*He was a special man and will be missed*

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**Dr. William Murphy - Jupiter, FL - Friend** - September 23, 2014 at 12:00 AM

BP

“ *I'll miss Michael. His sense of understanding and humor never left him. Even as we aged, he was able to make you feel special. We met at NHCC in the early eighties and shared many good times playing golf and holding up that good old oval bar that we all learned to love. My sympathy to his family who can be assured that Michael was the best. Sincerely, Bill Haise*

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**Bill Haise - Menomonee Falls, WI - Old,old pal** - September 23, 2014 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Back in 1959 Mike hired me as an expeditor at the office on Blue Mound Rd. I was glad to get the job because I was planning to marry my girl friend ,and are still happily married. Some of the things I remember : Mike's secretary ( I think her name was Ceilia, and I hope she is doing well) . Another memory was when Mike's friends would come to the office and Mike would say "We are going to hit golf balls" . One day Mike gave me an extra job to cut his lawn at his home because his son had an accident with the lawn mower. After two years I got a different job when the housing market slowed down. I was always thankful that Mike had given me a job. I learned a lot from him. My sincere sympathy to the family, Roger & Bonnie Hoge*

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**Roger Hoge - W305N6474 Beaver View Rd., H, WI - employee** - September 23, 2014 at 12:00 AM

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“ My memories of Michael Duersten are all so dear to me. He was a very important part of my life while I was growing up. His dry sense of humor and charming wit still make me smile i feel very blessed to have known him. He will always hold a place in my heart.

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**Cheri Evert - Phoenix, AZ - Friend** - September 23, 2014 at 12:00 AM

AC

“ I was not fortunate enough to have met this incredibly strong, wise and inspiring man. I am however, lucky enough to know his Granddaughter Lauren, who carries herself with poise, intelligence, loyalty and compassion, characteristics she inherited from MJ. He may not be putting on this green Earth anymore but he continues to live on through those who loved him dearly, and who he loved so deeply.

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**Alice Ford - CO** - September 23, 2014 at 12:00 AM

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“ Deep sympathy to your family. May the God of all comfort provide you peace during your time of sorrow- Isaiah 61:1,2

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**A friend** - September 22, 2014 at 12:00 AM

HF

“ Mike will be missed very much, after playing over 500 rounds of golf with him in the last 30 years.

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**HENRY WERNER - TEQUESTA, FL - FRIEND** - September 21, 2014 at 12:00 AM