

Michael C. Niebling Obituary



On January 8, 2026, following several weeks of valiant struggle in the hospital, Michael Niebling died in hospice at The View Alexandria by Goodwin Living. He is predeceased by his devoted wife of 49 years, Suzanne Niebling. He is survived by his son, Christopher, daughter-in-law Valerie Fenton, sister Katie Flynn, and his significant other of four years Janet Kerley. A 43-year resident of Lake Barcroft, he is also mourned by many friends in that close-knit community. Michael (Mike) was born in Short Hills, NJ on November 29, 1940, was a proud alumni of Williams

College and was a Yale graduate school of economics. He worked for several years at USAID, and 29 years at the International Monetary Fund (IMF), dedicating most of his time, including many months and years abroad, to numerous countries in the Middle East and Sub-Saharan Africa. Mike was an avid sailor, model-railroader, and gardener. He was also a lifelong lover of music, lending his rich voice to several choral groups, madrigals being his favorite. A gathering to celebrate Mike's life will be held by the lake he loved so much, in late spring. To plant trees in memory, please visit the [Sympathy Store](#).

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