

Michael Riordan was born in Staten Island, New York on August 13, 1938. He was raised on the Upper West Side of Manhattan active in all sports throughout his childhood and went on to develop his love for the game of golf. He attended the University of Maryland for his undergraduate education and after college he entered the Army as an officer. He was stationed in Italy for 3 years and went onto learn Italian and traveled all over Europe enjoying the various cultures. After he completed his time in the service he was employed by American Cash Register Company and was in charge of the Caribbean & Puerto Rico region. He was transferred to Puerto Rico where he met his wife, learned Spanish and went on to build his family having three children Michelle, Greg and Krysten. He opened the first machinery car wash in Puerto Rico and expanded the company opening 2 more during his time in Puerto Rico. In 1972 he moved to Cooper City Florida where he resided for 44 years. He loved sports and shared that love with his children who played various sports Cooper City Optimist. He volunteered countless hours with the optimist and city fundraisers making several friends that he considered family. The nickname "City Mike" was bestowed upon him by his optimist family and that's how they introduced him. He was a lifetime member of the Optimist Club and was involved every year with the optimist Golf tournament since its inception. He enjoyed his time with the Optimist and living in Cooper City and he went onto to become a city employee in 1995 where he worked for 23 years. "City Mike" loved the city of Cooper City and all it embodies.