

Michael Brooks Seeliger – 1968-2014

Michael Brooks Seeliger of Reno died April 13 while enjoying one of his many passions in life – flying. He was 46.

Mike is the grandson of Brooks Park, the late patriarch of the Carson Valley cattle ranch family that also owns acreage in Stateline, including Edgewood Tahoe, the former Horizon hotel and MontBleu.

He died April 7 a Reno Stead Airport when his single-seat, home-built aircraft known as a helicycle crashed.



Michael Brooks Seeliger

The sixth generation Nevadan was born in Reno on Jan. 20, 1968, to Tom and Kay (Park) Seeliger. He graduated from Bishop Manogue High School in 1986, and attended UNR where he was a member of the AT0 fraternity, and Chico State University. He married the love of his life, Traci, in 2005 and welcomed their cherished daughter, Ella Brooks, in 2007.

Along with many successful business ventures, Mike was senior vice president at Morgan Stanley for 17 years. He constantly strove to continue educating himself and his clients. Mike always believed his clients came first. In addition, he served on the board of directors for Edgewood Companies for more than

10 years. He had a great love for Edgewood and was very proud to be part of the Edgewood family.

Mike gave 110 percent in all that he did, but none more than to his family, who came first above all else. He was a devoted husband and father, with weekends finding him enjoying quality time with his wife, or taking his treasured Ella to shoot bow and arrows, race go carts and ride ATVs.

He was an avid wine connoisseur and enjoyed many special days in Napa Valley with family and friends. Mike had numerous hobbies in his life, and pursued all that he loved with great passion. Summers found him riding motorcycles, camping, jet skiing, and boating on Lake Tahoe; in winter months, he could be found snow skiing and snowmobiling in Lake Tahoe and Graeagle. He had a love for exotic cars, and enjoyed taking trips with Traci and Ella to car events. Building and flying R/C model planes was another of Mike's interests.

He lived life to the fullest and made sure every single moment was accounted for. He had a generous and giving heart, willing to lend a hand to many in need. Mike was a friend to all and cherished his blessed life surrounded by his precious family and many friends.

Mike is survived by his wife and best friend Traci (Henson) Seeliger and daughter Ella Seeliger (7), of Reno; parents Tom and Kay Seeliger of Reno; brother Tom (Kris) Seeliger of Reno; sister Sally Seeliger, of Reno; and brother Dan (Silvina) of Lago Puelo, Argentina. He is also survived by his nephews and nieces Abbie Seeliger, Nathan Seeliger, Sarah Seeliger, Zen Seeliger, and Soren Seeliger; and in-laws Dave and Jenny Giusti and Lance (Tammy) Henson and nephews Aaron and Chaz Henson.

Grandparents Albert and Frances Seeliger and Brooks and Jeanne Park, as well as his Uncle John Seeliger preceded Mike in death.

A service will be at Our Lady of the Snows Catholic Church, 1138 Wright St., Reno, at 11am April 22. A celebration of life will immediately follow at the Grove, 95 Foothill Road, Reno.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that all donations be made to Our Lady of the Snows School, the Mike Seeliger Scholarship Fund, 1125 Lander St., Reno, NV 89509.