



Michael P. Watkins
July 25, 1940 – July 19, 2021

Michael P. Watkins, age 80, of Rockport, TX and formerly of Albuquerque, NM passed away on July 19, 2021. Michael was preceded in death by his parents, Lon P. and Claire Watkins, his younger brother, George Watkins, and his beloved wife, Sharon A. Watkins. Michael is survived by his children, Michelle (Robert) Brandt, Anthony (Susan) Watkins, and Christopher (Monika) Watkins; grandchildren, Michael (Kendal) Brandt, Reiney Brandt, and Nikole Watkins; brother, Storm (Stephanie) Watkins.

He was a graduate of the New Mexico Military Institute, the University of New Mexico, and Washington and Lee Law School. He was a member of the BPOE, Lions Club, the Order of the Masons, Kappa Sigma Fraternity, and a lifetime NRA member. Michael was a former Federal prosecutor who was among the first to successfully convict draft dodgers during the Vietnam War, and longtime lawyer in Albuquerque, NM. After his retirement, Michael and Sharon relocated to Rockport, Tx, his favorite vacation spot. There he took up trap and skeet shooting and won the World Shoot in 2008. Michael was the 2008 C-Class 20 Gauge World Champion in Skeet. Michael was also an artist. He welded amazing lifelike metal sculptures which he won numerous awards for from the New Mexico State Fair and the Rockport, Texas Art Museum.

Michael enjoyed watching old Westerns on TV and loved telling stories of his experiences growing up in Carlsbad, NM in the 1940s, 1950s, and early 1960s.

Michael will be missed by his family who all agree he was the best dad, granddad, and father-in-law ever.

