

Joseph L. Strancofski, 63, of Plainville, died Dec. 30, 2009, at the Hospital for Special Care, New Britain.

He was born and grew up in New Britain, and was the son of the late Frank and Mary (Buban) Strancofski. He worked for Bueller Tile, Plainville, for several years. He graduated from St. Mary's School and St. Thomas Aquinas, both of New Britain, and from the University of Connecticut, Class of 1972. He was an avid golfer and was a golf pro at Stanley Golf Course, New Britain.

He is survived by his beloved wife of 19 years, Emily O. Strancofski, of Plainville; his five stepchildren, Lori Mingus and Mark Fowler, both of Baytown, Texas, James Fowler, of St. Petersburg, Fla., Traci Simpson, of Lancaster, Calif. and Cheryl Lyell, of West Frankfort, Ill.; one special grandson, Kris Mingus; his special friends, Ben Bueller, of Plainville, James O'Neil, of Albuquerque, N.M., and John Balciunas, of Seattle; and many sisters-in-law, brothers-in-law and friends.

The funeral was held Jan. 6, 2010, at the Paul A. Shaker/Farmingdale Funeral Home, New Britain. Burial was private. - See more at:

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