

Michael joined the New York State National Guard Serving in the Armor Division in high school. He served as a tank crewman from 1970-1976. During that time he was promoted to E5 after attending NCO school at Peekskill NY. He also joined the Albany Fire Department and served 35 Years earning his way up to Battalion Chief which he served as for 13 years. He held mutable positions of the firefighter's union the APPFA Local # 2007 including treasurer. He was one of the first Paramedics in the department and held his card for 27 years. Michael took over as CEO of the Albany Firemen's FCU in 1987 after serving as a loan officer and assistant manager from 1976.

Michael developed his hands on construction skills to become a partner in real estate where they renewed historic brownstone homes in the inner city. This

lead to his obtaining several apartment homes which he continues to hold.

Michael was elected a council member of the NYCUA (New York Credit Union Association) Capital Chapter serving multiple positions including President since 1990. During this time he served as the Political Action Representative and was appointed to governor George Pataki Team 2000. Pataki invited Michael to meet President George Bush in Washington during this time. He was elected to the board of directors of the NYCUA and has been serving since 2007. Michael was the founding Chairman of the NCOFCU (2010-2016), and the founding chairman of the Albany Firefighters Museum (2014-2016).

Michael married his high school sweetheart Dale Marie and has 3 children. His daughter Renee is now CEO of AFFCU and his two boys Michael and Jonathan

both serve as Albany firefighters. Michael enjoys his summers on a lake where he is an avid water skier and his winters in Florida trying to play golf.