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## MIKE MEHLER Swimming



Mike Mehler is a pioneer of the Police Olympics and a life-long participant. He participated in the very first games in 1967 and competed in almost every Games until he was over 70 years old – when he won 3 gold and 1 silver medal. He competed in every aquatic event possible, winning many gold medals. He has fond memories of traveling around the state to participate in the games and was always a big supporter and believer in the games. Mike was both a fireman and a police officer for the City of Long Beach. He served a 20 year career in Fire and Law Enforcement having to retire when he was wounded on duty.

Mike loved the friends he made on the force and that is one of the things he loves about the Police Olympics – the comradery it brings. He has lived in Long Beach his entire life. He loves all things water and ocean related – surfing, swimming, diving, body surfing – and more. He has been lucky enough to do these things his entire life. He swam and played water polo at Long Beach Poly High School and continued swimming to stay in shape his entire life.

Mike is married to Carol, his high school sweetheart and has 3 adult children.