

Michael Geltrude

Michael Geltrude, 66, of Nutley died Feb. 26 in the Hospice of New Jersey at St. Joseph's Hospital, Wayne.

Born in Barletta, Italy, he came to the U.S. in 1951 and settled in Nutley.

Mr. Geltrude was chairman of the mathematics department at Cedar Grove High School from 1985 to 1998. He began working as a mathematics teacher at the high school in 1963. He was also the high school's

track coach from 1965 to 1980, the boys cross-country coach from 1975 to 1985 and the girls cross-country coach from 1985 to 1995.

Mr. Geltrude was a mathematics instructor at Montclair State University for 13 years until 2005 and an adjunct professor of mathematics at Bloomfield College from 1977 to 1996. A Nutley High School graduate, he was the school's 1957 record holder for the longest punt, 82 yards.

Mr. Geltrude was named to "Who's Who in American Education."

Active with Nutley UNICO, he served as third vice president, program chairman and on the scholarship committee. In 2005, he was named "Man of the Year" by Nutley UNICO.

Also in 2005, he was presented with the Nutley/Belleville Thanksgiving Dinner Award for Outstanding Contributions to Nutley Football.

He was a member of the Elks Lodge 1290, the Third Half Club and the Hall of Fame Committee, all in Nutley.

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