

“Member Profile”

This week’s feature: *Monica and Dale Dragony*



Members Monica and Dale Dragony Monica and Dale were born in Lakewood, Ohio, but Monica grew up in Falconer, NY through the fourth grade and Dale grew up in Brooklyn, Ohio. Monica’s family moved back to Cleveland, and she went to St. Joseph Academy High School. Dale left for Navy boot camp immediately after high school graduation. After a few years in the Navy, he attended Cuyahoga Community College where he majored in Mechanical Engineering Technology.

Monica comes from a very large family, where she was the youngest of seven girls and four boys. Dale, on the other hand, has one brother. They met through a dating service. Monica mentioned that was when you actually would go and watch a VHS tape of the other person. Although Dale says their first date was a blind date, they had really seen each other on film.

Monica has worked in various customer relations positions at several jobs over the years, and she has sold Mary Kay Cosmetics for 26 years. Dale has worked at NASA, Glenn Research Center and for the US Navy. He was also in the US Air Force Reserves, from which he is now retired. They have three children. Claire is the oldest at 32, Zack is 22 and Josh is 19.

They were attending a different Lutheran Church, but got interested in Prince of Peace Lutheran Church when POP allowed Zack to come to Confirmation classes. Their church, being new, had not yet established Confirmation classes. Their church was small and struggling so they decided to join POP.

Monica has been active in the Youth Groups when the boys were young. These days she stays active by walking in the Metroparks. She enjoys singing, dancing and watching movies. With her job with Mary Kay, she has found that she not only enjoys selling cosmetics, but she enjoys helping women feel important and pretty by pampering them with the Mary Kay makeovers. Dale has been on the Church Council in the past and is now active in Buds and Suds and both are in Tables of 8.

Many people don't know that Monica comes from such a large family. Those who do know her also know that she has a wonderful sense of humor and a very quick wit. Dale served as Scoutmaster for Boy Scout Troop 228 for 6 years, which is great. But what is even greater is that during that time he had 19 scouts earn the rank of Eagle Scout. Wow! I know you will enjoy talking to Dale, Monica and the family when they are in Church. What a wonderful family.

By Dick Hardy, Profile Reporter