



Michael Joseph Monaco

January 21, 1949 - June 26, 2021

Michael Joseph Monaco, born January 21, 1949, in Washington, D.C.; died June 26, 2021 at Univ. of Md. Midtown Hospital after a 9-month battle with cancer. He was the son of the late Joseph F. and Gertrude J. (O'Leary) Monaco.

First 11 years lived in Washington DC, N.E.; moved to New Carrollton, MD; graduated from St. Anthony's High School, class of 1966; graduated with a degree in Business from Penn State; Was a boy scout; delivered the Washington Post in Wash DC and then New Carrollton, MD; boy's church choir; played football in high school; University of Maryland, then joined the Marines, trained at Camp Lejeune, then stationed in Okinawa; continued his education at Penn State; met Lois Hodges, the love of his life, they married in 1976 and he took on role of father to her 3 children; coached little league football; volunteered at St. Peter's elementary school; was the neighborhood "parent"; volunteered at annual Art fund raiser; earned Drone certification; honorary Pit Crew member with NAPA; got certification to be a COVID contact tracer; assisted at annual "ladies" weekend taking on the role of chef, social director and "Reverend" officiating "wedding" ceremonies. He found love again and spent the last 6 years with Suki; she introduced him to golf, taking trips and the easier life.

He worked at Southern Tire for 34 years, as Store Manager. In 2019 he went

part time then finally retired spring of 2020 when Covid hit the world.

Named Michael - after Guardian Angel Michael – lived his life as guardian angel to all.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife Lois Monaco, his sister Jean Humphreys and his brother Albert Monaco.

He is survived by his sons, Jimmy (Tammy) Reulet of Mechanicsville and David Reulet (Kelly Carroll) of Waldorf; daughter Cheri Reulet of Avenue, MD; and grandchildren, Chris, Diana, Melanie, A. J., Michael, Matthew, Madison, Michelle and Josh; great grandchildren Curtis, Levi, Orson and Aria; sisters; Mary Ellen (Larry) Chanin, Angelina (Paul) Robb and brother, James (Kathy) Monaco and many nieces and nephews.

A viewing will be at Raymond Funeral Service, La Plata, MD on Monday, July 12, 2-4 and 6-8. A Christian Mass to be held at St. Peter's Church in Waldorf, MD on Tuesday, July 13. Burial to follow at Cheltenham Veterans Cemetery

In lieu of flowers please make a donation to the American Cancer Society, cancer.org or P.O. Box 22478, Oklahoma City, Ok 72123 or Wounded Warriors woundedwarriorproject.org or P.O. Box 58516, Topeka, Kansas 66675-8516, in memory of Mike.

Cemetery Details

Cheltenham Veterans Cemetery

11301 Crain Hwy
Cheltenham, MD 20623

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 12. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Raymond Funeral Service
5635 Washington Avenue
La Plata, MD 20646
(301) 934-2920
business.office@raymondfuneral.com
<https://www.raymondfuneralservice.com>

Visitation

JUL 12. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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Mass of Christian Burial

JUL 13. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Peter's Catholic Church
3320 St. Peter's Drive
Waldorf, MD 20601

Burial

JUL 13. 1:00 PM (ET)

Cheltenham Veterans Cemetery
11301 Crain Hwy
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Tribute Wall



“ *Michael Joseph Monaco*

October 08, 2023 at 10:45 PM



“ *Michael Joseph Monaco*

October 04, 2023 at 03:12 PM



“ *I knew Mr. Monaco when I was taking care of Mrs.L. Monaco, even when she passed he came and visited the different departments at Civista now CRMC.*

We became golfing buddies couple of years before Covid. Tee off in heaven Mr. Monaco!

My condolences to his Family, Suki and Friends! Rest In Peace



Annabelle - July 12, 2021 at 09:20 PM



“ *What a sweet man! We knew him as a neighbor and our go-to guy at Waldorf Tire. Very saddened to hear of his passing! Your family is in my prayers!*

theresa bryner - July 11, 2021 at 08:52 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Michael Joseph Monaco.*



July 10, 2021 at 08:30 AM



“ *I met Mike through business transactions while I was employed at Waldorf Exxon. He was always friendly and comfortable to be around. I stopped at Southern Tire several times just to visit him after I quit at Exxon. My condolences to his family.*

Daniel Sanford - July 09, 2021 at 12:03 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Michael Joseph Monaco.*



July 08, 2021 at 01:45 PM



“ *I remember Mike from back in the 1980s when he managed the Southern Tire location in Prince Frederick. My 1977 Ford Mustang was pretty cantankerous so I was a frequent customer. He was always very upfront about what needed to be done to keep it on the road. One of my coworkers got Mike to use his authoritative voice for a Southern Tire radio commercial on WMJS-FM (92.7). Mike, thanks for keeping me on the highway! Rest well!*

Marty Madden - July 08, 2021 at 10:10 AM

NM

“ I can still picture Mike with his "FRO"! Man he was stylish! That style changed when he hit Parris Island!

One of the great memories was being able to share a full fledged Italian meal prepared by Mike's Mom once a year. There was pasta, pizza, lasagna, rigatoni, ziti, cannolis, garlic bread, beer, wine, and best of all, friendship! Mike's Dad would serve the food and Mrs. Monaco would walk behind each of us, smack us on the back of the head, and say, MANGIARE! I picture Mrs. Monaco fixing him a meal right now!

We wish peace and comfort to the family and friends.

Ned & Linda Merchant

Ned Merchant - July 07, 2021 at 05:07 PM

KW

“ Terry and I are so sorry to hear of Mike's passing. We have fond memories of Mike when we were all in our early 20's frequenting Fred's Inn and playing poker most Friday nights. We had a chance to spend a day with him in Dewey Beach several years ago and it was fun connecting over old times. He was a really good guy.

We will not be able to attend Mike's funeral, since we will be on a family vacation, but will be thinking of Mike and his family. God bless all of you during this sad time.

Terry and Karen Wiles

karen wiles - July 05, 2021 at 04:09 PM