



George Christopher Dehney

December 25, 1971 - October 8, 2020

George Christopher Dehney, 48, of Stevensville died October 8, 2020 at Compass Regional Hospice in Chestertown after a 21-month battle with glioblastoma. Preceded in death by his father, George Joseph Dehney, he is survived by his wife of 22 years, Aimee Curry Dehney, and their children Thomas (15) and Grace (12), his mother Annette Dehney, and sisters Michelle Dehney Carlin and Collette Dehney Cullen.

George was born December 25, 1971 in Lowell, MA. He was baptized at St John's Church, New Chelmsford, MA. He grew up in Westford, MA where George Sr. and Annette instilled in the family a love of sailing and the outdoors – something that would become a passion for George which he would take to high levels of adventure. The family moved to Silver Spring, MD where he attended Springbrook High School. George was a three-year varsity football letterman and helped lead the Blue Devils to win state championships his junior and senior year. He was awarded the Iron Man award his senior year for being the toughest player on the team and also won All-County Player of the Year. As a senior wrestler he competed as a state finalist.

After graduating in 1990, George worked at CT/HX for six years refurbishing cooling towers. During this time, he also played semi-pro football for the Baltimore Renegades and rugby with the Maryland Exiles. In 1996, George was accepted into Steamfitters Local 602 Apprenticeship Trade School.

Graduating in 2001 with both a welder's certificate and journeyman's license, he began work as a mechanical foreman on countless buildings in the greater Washington area. George was honored as the 2014 Craftsmanship Award Winner by the Washington Building Congress for his work on the Novant Health Haymarket Medical Center.

George met Aimee Curry, a nursing student at James Madison University, and they married in 1998. Living in Ellicott City, George took up sailing again and purchased his first cabin sailboat. Wanting to be closer to the Chesapeake Bay, the couple moved to a waterfront neighborhood on Kent Island in 2003. George and Aimee got involved in all aspects of island life: as parishioners at St. Christopher's Catholic Church, members of Kentmorr Marina and Safe Harbor Narrows Point, and of the Elks Club. They travelled extensively and George captained family sailing trips to the British Virgin and Windward islands. An avid outdoorsman, George enjoyed hunting, fishing, and raced for the Severn Sailing Association. "Getting a workout in" was his mantra and he built extraordinary endurance through weight training, running, and swimming. That endurance served him well in another one of his favorite pastimes – storytelling.

George and Aimee's greatest pride was watching their children excel in sports: Tommy in football and wrestling and Gracie in volleyball and lacrosse. From 2011-2018, George coached Tommy's football team, the Piranahs, leading them to Bayside championship victories in 2017 and 2018, and to the AYF Nationals and State Championship finals in 2017. He was assistant JV coach for the 2018 Kent Island High School football season.

George was diagnosed in January 2019 with a glioblastoma, a particularly cruel twist of fate for a man who lost his father to brain cancer when he was just 22. Born on Christmas, George greeted each day with the enthusiasm of someone who knew each day is a gift. He made the final year and a half of his

life about action, chief among them: Love – of family, especially Aimee, Tommy, and Gracie, of friends, and of strangers. There was nothing passive about George. As husband, father, captain, coach, and raconteur, George was all in, always.

George was a coach and a builder. In lieu of flowers, the Dehney family has designated the following organizations to which memorial contribution checks may be directed:

Chesapeake Bay Piranhas
In Memory of Coach Dehney
P.O. Box 302
Stevensville MD 21666

St. Christopher's Church Building Fund
In Memory of George Dehney
1861 Harbor Drive
Chester, Maryland 21619

Please find visitation hours below. Mass and burial will be private due to COVID-19 restrictions. Mass will be live streamed. Link will be provided here at time of service.

Cemetery Details

Stevensville Cemetery

808 Main Street
Stevensville, MD

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **14**. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Fellows, Helfenbein, & Newnam Funeral Home, P.A.
106 Shamrock Road
Chester, MD 21619

Visitation

OCT **14**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Fellows, Helfenbein, & Newnam Funeral Home, P.A.
106 Shamrock Road
Chester, MD 21619

Mass- Private by Invitation only due to Covid restrictions

OCT **15**. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Christopher's Catholic Church
1861 Harbor Drive
Chester, MD

Burial - Private by invitation only due to Covid restrictions

OCT **15**. 12:00 PM (ET)

Stevensville Cemetery
808 Main Street
Stevensville, MD

Tribute Wall



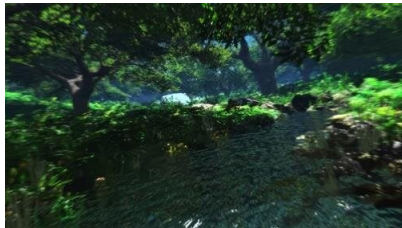
“ *Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of George Christopher Dehney*



Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home - October 15, 2020 at 10:39 AM



“ *Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of George Christopher Dehney*



Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home - October 14, 2020 at 11:03 AM

AG

thx for sharing..beautiful tribute....sending much love and many prayers from Uncle Gregg and Auntie Gloria...RIP beautiful man, CAPTAIN George...

Auntie Gloria - October 14, 2020 at 08:19 PM

CF

Such a wonderful tribute, lots of wonderful memories for such a beautiful family. God grant you peace and strength in the days ahead. Love, Hugs, and Prayers from Jim and Caroline Fincher

caroline fincher - October 14, 2020 at 10:19 PM



May God bless you with strength and perseverance to continue George's legacy. God Bless the Dehney and Curry families and Eternal Rest Grant Upon George Dehney.

Lisa DiRisio - October 15, 2020 at 10:36 AM



Aimee, although I was not with you in person today, please know you are in my thoughts and always in my prayers. God's blessing to you, your family and all of George's loved ones. I'm hoping having Mass at St. Christopher's brings you some comfort. xoxoxo

Carolyn O'Malley - October 15, 2020 at 11:07 AM



Absolutely beautiful pictures and Memorial. R.I.P. George.

patrice cardali - October 15, 2020 at 03:03 PM



Thinking of you and praying for your family. The slide show is a beautiful tribute.

Sharon merkel - October 16, 2020 at 07:57 PM



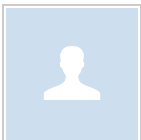
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October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ George Christopher Dehney

January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ George Christopher Dehney

January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM



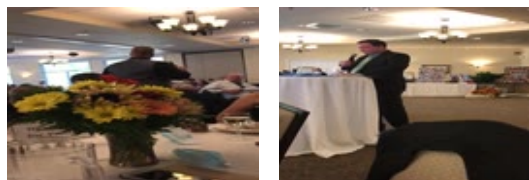
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Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home - November 11, 2020 at 02:03 PM



“ 2 files added to the album *Speeches*



Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home - October 23, 2020 at 04:23 PM

SP

“ *Sending love and light to all those whose lives George touched ... RIP George ... a life gone too soon. Aimee , our hearts go out to you, Thomas and Grace. You will be in our thoughts and prayers 🙏*

Stephanie Powers and Stephen Dehney

steohanie powers - October 14, 2020 at 09:59 PM



“ 8 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home - October 14, 2020 at 01:06 PM



“ Please accept my sincere condolences on the passing of George. I had the honor and pleasure of coaching George for three years at Springbrook HS. He was a great football player, very tough. I'm going to miss you #63. Rest In Peace.
Bob Milloy

bob milloy - October 14, 2020 at 11:57 AM



“ 101 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home - October 14, 2020 at 10:47 AM

MH

“ *Aimee....My deepest sympathies to you and your family. Hearts are breaking for you as you go through the loss of your beloved George. He touched so many lives.*

May the hope, love and joy that lives deep in your heart bring you comfort and strength each day. May God Bless you and strengthen you!

Mary Houck

Mary P Houck - October 13, 2020 at 10:18 AM

TF

“ *So very sorry for your loss*



The Ornduff Family - October 13, 2020 at 09:28 AM

CO

“ *Aimee, Tommy, and Gracie,
Praying for you that you feel God’s loving embrace around you now.
“For the mountains may depart, and the hills be shaken, but my
steadfast love shall not depart from you, and my covenant of peace
shall not be shaken” (Is 54:10).*

Carrie Osborn

Carrie O. - October 13, 2020 at 09:15 AM

EC

“ *Eastern Shore Dental Care lit a candle in memory of George Christopher Dehney*



Eastern Shore Dental Care - October 12, 2020 at 12:52 PM

PC

“ *Dear Aimee, Tommy, and Grace, my heartfelt sympathy. My prayer is that your sadness softens with time and that you realize your husband/father has really never left you. Ms Patti*

Patricia Cipriano - October 11, 2020 at 12:09 PM

KD

“ *My deepest sympathy to the Dehney family. Thank you for the wonderful memories of sailing the Grenadines, Captain George! May the winds of heaven sail you peacefully home to God.*

Kim Drapeau - October 10, 2020 at 10:42 PM

AR

“ *Dear Aimee, Tommy, and Grace, Our hearts and prayers are with you. No words I can say can possibly remove the ache from your hearts. May our prayers help carry you through this time of deep sorrow. We will remember George as the wonderful father and loving husband he was. Eternal rest grant unto him O Lord, and may perpetual light shine upon him. May George Rest In Peace.*

Angela Redpath - October 10, 2020 at 09:57 PM

CV

“ Dear Aimee, Tommy, Gracie and the entire Dehney and Curry Families,

Words cannot begin to express how sorry I am to hear of George's passing. My deepest sympathies and condolences go out to all of you.

George was such a pleasure to be around. He was kind, funny, charismatic, and always full of life and energy. He will forever be missed.

I pray and hope that you can find some peace, comfort, and strength during this extremely difficult time.

My thoughts and continued prayers are with you all.

*With love,
Carey*

Carey Villegas - October 10, 2020 at 03:18 AM

RW

“ Rhonie Wolff lit a candle in memory of George Christopher Dehney



Rhonia Wolff - October 09, 2020 at 11:40 PM

RW

Aimee, Tommy, and Gracie- my heart is breaking for you. What an amazing man! I feel Blessed to have known him. You are such a beautiful family- sharing God's Love and shining His Light. Praying Jesus is holding you so close in His arms. 🙏❤️

Rhonia Wolff - October 09, 2020 at 11:44 PM

CO

“ Aimee- praying for God to ease your pain and sorrow. Sending all my love, Carolyn OMalley

Carolyn OMalley - October 09, 2020 at 09:40 PM

MD

“ Our thoughts and prayers for you Aimee and family-I played Rod Stewart's "Sailing" on repeat this morning in George's honor this morning on my way to work. I remember George as the quiet gentle loving young man who lived this earthly life well... and see him glorious in eternal life. He will be truly missed. Greg and I want to hug all of you!



Mary Denny - October 09, 2020 at 07:46 PM

SF

“ I remember when I visited George with my family vacation one time he is awesome and amazing man he is the best cousin and he is also a best father/ husband I will going to miss him so much and we lost a great guy in the family I love you George your number one person who loves you

Shannon flannery - October 09, 2020 at 06:26 PM

W(

“ George was a awesome teammate, friend, & motivational person. Whenever you were down, he would find a way to make you smile. He was our SHS version of the Italian stallion. Always will to help and serve others.

William Bowman (Bow) - October 09, 2020 at 05:47 PM

AE

“ George was always such a great guy, and sure loved to laugh. Our hearts are broken for you and the rest of your family. Please know Troy and I are always here for you day or night. Love Amber

Amber Emrick - October 09, 2020 at 04:33 PM

MW

“ Aimee, you and your family are in my thoughts and prayers. We pray God gives you strength and comfort.

Michelle Wobbe - October 09, 2020 at 04:28 PM

KH

“ Aimee, Tommy, Gracie, and Family,

Our thoughts and prayers are with you. We are here for anything that you need. George was a wonderful person and will be greatly missed. We love you.

Love,

Kevin, Kelly, Michael, and Ashley (Hughes Family)

Kelly Hughes - October 08, 2020 at 08:06 PM