



Jeffrey Thomas Maki

December 17, 1976 - August 29, 2025

Jeffrey Thomas Maki, of Easton, Md., passed away in his home on Aug. 29, 2025. He was 48 years old.

Jeff was born in Elkton, Md., on Dec. 17, 1976, the son of Roger Maki and Linda (Juhasz) Maki. Jeff graduated from Easton High School in 1994, and after working briefly for a roof truss building company, he began his 30-year career at Oxford Boatyard (now Safe Harbor Oxford). He started as a member of the travelift crew, became the travelift driver, and then became the marina manager. Jeff was very proud of his work and the great customer reviews that the marina received while under his leadership, earning the status of being one of the best marinas in the Safe Harbor group.

While growing up, Jeff enjoyed playing Little League, Senior League, and high school baseball, youth soccer, and high school football, and was known by his friends as “Pony,” “Pone,” or “Jeffroe.” He loved his dogs Riley (Buddy) and Moose. He was a huge fan of the Washington Capitals and Baltimore Orioles, and also followed the Baltimore Ravens. Jeff was a lifelong fan of heavy metal music, and in 2006 he created the Live Metal website to promote it. The website (now maintained by his brother, Greg) features music news, album reviews, concert reviews, interviews with band members, and live concert photos.

Jeff is survived by his daughter, Abby “Bers” Maki of Louisville, Ky., his brother, Gregory Maki and wife, Alexandra Fries, nephew Theo Maki and niece Callie Maki of Edgewater, Md., and his parents of Easton, Md.

A celebration of life will be held for friends and family from noon to 2 p.m. Monday, Sept. 8, at the Fellows, Helfenbein, & Newnam Funeral Home, 200 S. Harrison St., Easton, Md. This will be a casual event, formal dress not required or expected. Wearing Oxford Boatyard, Orioles or band shirts is encouraged.

Previous Events

celebration of life

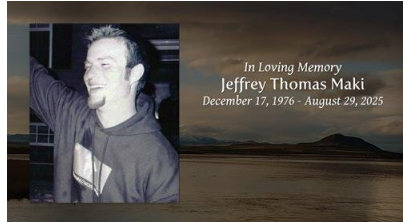
SEP 8. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home
200 S. Harrison Street
EASTON
EASTON, MD 21601

Tribute Wall



“ *Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Jeffrey Thomas Maki*



Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home - September 08, 2025 at 09:20 AM

W,

Jeff was a great guy , rest in peace my friend, you will be missed ,

Wes Bryan , - September 10, 2025 at 09:59 PM

W,

Worked with Jeff a lot of years , at oby and safeharbors on the travel lift crew , and at the marina as his assistant, he was a hard working man , I knew him as well as anyone, and can tell you I never saw anything that stumped him , not for long he could figure it out in no time, we were great friends, we still stayed in contact after i retired from safe harbor, he had lots of friends, everyone liked Jeff , rest in peace my friend,

Wes Bryan , - September 10, 2025 at 10:24 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Jeffrey Thomas Maki.*



September 08, 2025 at 08:21 AM

CC

“ We knew Jeff for many years as we are slip holders at the Safe Harbor Marina. He was a wonderful manager, treating slip holders and transient boat owners with respect and willing to help as needed (sometimes a lot of help was needed!). He always was cordial with a great smile.
He also took his jobs at the marina and boat yard seriously. When he was running the boat lift, he was always very careful to get our boat, Peregrine, balanced just right so she would drain during the winter.
We are so sad to learn of his passing. We knew he was having health problems, but did not realize the extent. We will greatly miss him. Rick & Carol Collier

Carol & Rick Collier - September 07, 2025 at 06:17 PM

DW

“ Dallas W. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jeffrey Thomas Maki.

Dallas W. - September 06, 2025 at 04:27 PM

YH

“ So very saddened to hear of the passing of my classmate Jeff! My most heartfelt condolences to his family!
Yolanda Hayman



Yolanda Hayman - September 04, 2025 at 10:35 PM

AS

“ We already miss Jeff... for his amazing smile, his friendly character, his talent in building community and his sense of pride. My husband Tony and I have known him for decades, as an energetic and competent manager at Safe Harbor Marina - a true gem who pulled us all together. Jeff, may you rest in peace among your many friends and family along sunlit shores of the Chesapeake Bay.



Amy Stein - September 03, 2025 at 02:43 PM

SM

“ Safe Harbor Marinas planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jeffrey Thomas Maki.

Safe Harbor Marinas - September 02, 2025 at 11:29 AM

SM

“ Safe Harbor Marinas purchased the Magnificent Life Spray for the family of Jeffrey Thomas Maki.



Safe Harbor Marinas - September 02, 2025 at 11:29 AM

NU

“ Heartfelt condolences go out to the whole family at this time. From the time of his birth, Jeff was strong-willed, adventurous, hard-worker, and fun-loving. He cared for his family with all his heart and extremely dedicated to his daughter. He was raised right with good parents, and he brought much joy to them and to all whom he came in contact with over the year. May Peace Be With His Soul.

Nurdman - September 01, 2025 at 11:02 PM

DN

“ It is with profound sadness that we learned of Jeff's passing. Jeff was so conscientious, caring and such a kind person. Truly one of the good guys. He will be greatly missed and always remembered.
Denise and Mitch Nathanson

Denise Nathanson - September 01, 2025 at 11:12 AM

GN

“ In 2003 we sailed in to Oxford and met Jeff for the first time when he hauled our boat "Luna Azul". In the intervening years we became colleagues and friends. He watched our son Robert grow, and supported him as he too became a member of the team. Now as we say goodbye, we can only reflect upon our time together and the loss of a dedicated and caring soul. Gone far too soon. Rest well my friend.

Graham & Trudy Norbury - August 31, 2025 at 04:33 PM

MA

A dear comment!

maggie Andersen - September 01, 2025 at 09:29 AM

ID

“ We were so sorry to hear about Jeff's passing. When we were slip holders at Safe Harbor, we could always count on him to keep an eye on things and help out for whatever was needed. After we left there, we would go back just to visit with Jeff. May he rest in peace.
Pete and Ida Doolan

Ida/Pete Doolan - August 31, 2025 at 04:15 PM

MA

“ Jeff was such a good man...always helpful, hard working and kind. We are so sorry he suffered from illness and lost him much too soon. It will be very strange not seeing him around the marina. We miss him and hope he has found safe harbor! Maggie Andersen and Richard Rosenfeld (slip holders, Safe Harbor Marina).

maggie Andersen - August 31, 2025 at 07:21 AM

OD

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Oda and Pete Doolan - August 31, 2025 at 01:55 PM

MP

To me, he was the best, the very best, travelift driver EVER because he took time-needed and was determined to get it absolutely right. I was sad that he moved on from there and to the Fuel Dock but once out there, he habitually had a smile for me. I can't imagine that he didn't skate easily, so very easily, into whatever Heaven he had or believed in.

Mark Pellerin - September 02, 2025 at 06:08 PM

EF

“ *Jeff was an amazing man. He will be forever loved and missed.* ”

Earl Foster - August 30, 2025 at 06:08 PM