



Michael Anthony Karousos

July 13, 1992 - December 21, 2025

Michael Karousos passed away unexpectedly on December 21, 2025 from an underlying medical condition while surfing, leaving behind a family who loved him deeply and will miss him beyond words. He was a devoted husband, a loving father, a beloved son, a cherished brother, and a steady, grounding presence to all who knew him.

Michael was the light of his family and the life of every gathering. Funny, goofy, and endlessly warm, he had a rare gift for lifting spirits and making people laugh, often when they needed it most. His joy was contagious, and his presence made people feel at ease, valued, and loved. Beneath his humor was an unwavering strength. He was deeply selfless and fiercely protective of those he loved.

Guided by an unshakable faith, Michael lived with purpose and compassion. His faith was central to who he was. He prayed for others constantly and always hoped for the best in people. Michael led by example through his strength, humility, and selflessness. He lived his beliefs through action, always stepping in to help in any circumstance without hesitation.

As a husband, Michael was a dedicated partner. He was a true provider, loyal, devoted, and unwavering in his love. As a father, he loved fiercely and completely, finding his greatest joy in being present, playful, and supportive.

His family was his world, and everything he did was rooted in his desire to protect and provide for them.

Michael proudly served on active duty as an officer in the United States Coast Guard, a role that reflected his deep sense of duty, courage, and commitment to protecting others. He was competitively selected to become an officer after first serving as an enlisted member of the Coast Guard, earning him the title of “Mustang”. His service was a source of great pride to his family and a testament to the honorable and selfless way he lived his life.

He was preceded by grandparents Spiros Karousos, James Donohue, and Gloria Donohue. He is survived by his beloved wife, Caitlan Karousos; his son, Andrew Karousos; and his unborn son, Michael Karousos, who will grow up hearing stories of a father whose love, faith, and laughter knew no bounds. He is also survived by his parents, Monica Karousos and Pete Karousos (Cynthia Karousos); his grandmother, Angeliki Karousos; his siblings, Angela Karousos and Spiro Karousos; his aunts, uncles, cousins; and many friends who were blessed by his endless support, loyalty, and steady heart.

Michael’s passing leaves an immeasurable void, but his legacy lives on through the lives he touched, the laughter he shared, and the love he gave so freely. He will be remembered for his deep faith, compassion, unwavering strength, humor, and the way he made others feel seen, safe, and valued.

He will be forever loved, deeply missed, and always remembered.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 2. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

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

Visitation

JAN 2. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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Funeral Service

JAN 3. 10:30 AM (ET)

St. Andrew by the Bay Catholic Church
701 College Parkway
Annapolis, MD

Tribute Wall



“ *Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Michael Anthony Karousos*



Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home - January 02 at 08:05 AM

AS

“ *RIP shipmate.
Allan Swider
USCG, Retired*

Allan Swider - January 02 at 05:16 PM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Michael Anthony Karousos.*



January 02 at 07:45 AM

TS

“ *The LANTAREA - 37 Staff planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Michael Anthony Karousos.*

The LANTAREA - 37 Staff - January 02 at 07:45 AM

AA

“ Alex, Vanessa, and Hannah Anderson purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Michael Anthony Karousos.



Alex, Vanessa, and Hannah Anderson - January 01 at 03:46 PM



“ Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Michael Anthony Karousos.



January 01 at 02:02 PM

PF

“ Pete, Shelly and family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Michael Anthony Karousos.

Pete, Shelly and family - January 01 at 02:02 PM

LD

“ Lori D. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Michael Anthony Karousos.

Lori D. - January 01 at 10:27 AM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Michael Anthony Karousos.



December 31, 2025 at 11:46 PM



“ Mark and Donna purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Michael Anthony Karousos.



Mark and Donna - December 31, 2025 at 10:36 PM



“ Mark and Donna planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Michael Anthony Karousos.

Mark and Donna - December 31, 2025 at 10:36 PM



“ Laurie and Christopher Dunn purchased the Blue Caribbean Bouquet for the family of Michael Anthony Karousos.



Laurie and Christopher Dunn - December 31, 2025 at 08:30 PM

LD

“ Laurie and Christopher Dunn planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Michael Anthony Karousos.

Laurie and Christopher Dunn - December 31, 2025 at 08:30 PM

JL

“ JDL Electric, Co., Inc. purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Michael Anthony Karousos.



JDL Electric, Co., Inc. - December 31, 2025 at 12:57 PM

DM

“ Dan and Mary Lou Mauck purchased the Blue Caribbean Bouquet for the family of Michael Anthony Karousos.



Dan and Mary Lou Mauck - December 31, 2025 at 10:04 AM

LP

“ Love, Spyro and Jeni Patelis purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Michael Anthony Karousos.



Love, Spyro and Jeni Patelis - December 30, 2025 at 11:18 PM

LP

“ Love, Spyro and Jeni Patelis planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Michael Anthony Karousos.

Love, Spyro and Jeni Patelis - December 30, 2025 at 11:18 PM



“ Forever Our Angel Bouquet was purchased for the family of Michael Anthony Karousos.



December 30, 2025 at 06:42 PM

WL

“ Mike, you were one of one brother. From Bel Air Redskins football to Patterson Mill Wrestling; I have plenty of memories to look back on and smile. You were such a goof ball and kept spirits high. Thank you for being your genuine self.

Cheers to you brother. Fly High and watch over us always. Sending all the love to your family!

Walker Linton - December 30, 2025 at 06:03 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Michael Anthony Karousos.



December 30, 2025 at 04:35 PM

LG

“ Love, the Dena Girls planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Michael Anthony Karousos.

Love, the Dena Girls - December 30, 2025 at 04:35 PM

AB

“ Alex, Kathy, Ian and Ben purchased the Ocean Breeze Spray for the family of Michael Anthony Karousos.



Alex, Kathy, Ian and Ben - December 30, 2025 at 02:53 PM

AB

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Alex, Kathy, Ian and Ben - December 30, 2025 at 02:53 PM



“ Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of Michael Anthony Karousos.



December 30, 2025 at 12:02 PM

FN

“ From ONI N2 planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Michael Anthony Karousos.

From ONI N2 - December 30, 2025 at 12:02 PM

PA

“ Mike, thank you for being the big brother I never had. You were there to listen and give me advice on the military, relationships, and most importantly my faith. Miss you brother and love you. (Mike I know you said you'd be the first Coastie to be at Ranger School graduation, I know that you'll be there in spirit brother) Semper Paratus



Pat - December 29, 2025 at 05:53 PM