



## Michael Roy Morris

March 19, 1970 - April 26, 2026

Michael Roy Morris, a brilliant, compassionate animal lover that the world will never be the same without, passed away at his home in Rock Hall, MD on April 26, 2026. He was 56 years old.

Michael was born on March 19, 1970, the son of the late Max Finley Morris and Mary Jeanne (Nelson) Morris in Jacksonville, FL, where he grew up and attended school, and was also an Eagle Scout. He went on to the University of Miami, graduating with his undergraduate degree in 1993, and then continuing on to the University of Miami Law School, graduating in 1995 with his J.D. He also completed degrees from Ball State University in 2001 and University of Edinburgh Law School in 2008.

During his career as an attorney, he met the love of his life, Mary O'Donnell, when they worked for the same firm. They would later marry on February 1, 2003, and start their own firm, Morris & Morris P.A. Michael had an illustrious career in litigation and intellectual property, earning such awards as Lawyer of the Year, an AV rating, and awards as an arbitrator and mediator.

While he and Mary were building their firm together, they also founded and ran Hamelot Animal Sanctuary, where they would take in any animal in need of a home and give them one for life. Lucky were the animals that found themselves in Michael's care – his compassion, selfless nature, and kind soul made him the perfect animal father. In 2021, he and Mary moved to Rock Hall, MD, entirely selflessly on Michael's part, on behalf of Mary's health.

Everything Michael did was for someone else, and his impact on the world

cannot be understated, and his loss cannot be put into words.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his sister, Melia Morris.

He is survived by his loving and dedicated wife and life partner, Mary Morris, as well as the dogs lucky enough to call him Dad – especially Ted.

# Tribute Wall

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“ I count myself fortunate to have known Michael for the short time that he was with us at UUCR. I thoroughly enjoyed the origami lesson that he gave in late April, and all of the wisdom that he shared during that time.

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**DIANE SHIELDS** - May 23 at 01:49 PM

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“ My eternally beloved husband, who had boundless compassion and love for the voiceless and vulnerable among us, you seized and held fast my heart and soul from the moment I first saw you. I love you always.



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**Mary Morris** - May 08 at 05:20 AM

KM

“ I am so sorry for your loss

*Your mail carrier  
Tracey Middleton*



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**Kevin & Tracey Middleton** - May 03 at 11:03 PM

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“ *Rita Kulley lit a candle in memory of Michael Roy Morris*



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**Rita Kulley** - May 01 at 10:54 AM