



## Richard Scott Svoboda

July 22, 1975 - December 27, 2024

Larger than life in both stature and personality, Scott Svoboda touched and helped countless lives, not only as a paramedic and firefighter, but also as a friend, a mentor, a co-worker and an “Uncle”. From his younger days running the streets of PG, his later more relaxed and not as “cowboy days” working for Annapolis City, to becoming a Life Member of United Communities Volunteer Fire Department (UCVFD), he was driven by his passion to help and guide people, but never missed an opportunity for a good debate.

Scott was born July 22, 1975 and is survived by his best friend and wife Carrie, son Bryan, mother Madeline, father Richard and wife Gail, father-in-law Bob, sister-in-law Sheryl, dog Blake, many cousins, brothers in the fire service, and those who were sisters, nieces and nephews by love.

Carrie and Scott met in high school. All of their friends knew the two of them would end up married, except, of course, Carrie and Scott. After he retired, the last several years were spent taking many vacations. They cruised the Caribbean, Mexico, Alaska, Canada and New England, and spent so much time in the RV traveling the East with Blake that Bryan asked “Are you home at all this month?” As much as they loved their travels, their favorite thing to do was just sitting together enjoying the simple pleasures at home.

The legacy of firefighters started with Scott’s father Richard and continues on

with his son Bryan and cousin Devin. Scott always held close the fact that he was able to be the driver for Bryan's first "first arriving job" and end his Annapolis City career working the last shift together with his son, including Bryan being the one to give him his final pie in the face. The two of them had the very special opportunity to not only volunteer together, but to cross paths at work as well. Scott loved to tell others how proud he was of the man Bryan has become.

The Fire Department was part of who Scott was from the time he was a child. Together with some friends he started the Fire Department Explorer Post 517 in North Patchogue, NY, which was thought to be impossible. He continued as a volunteer in North Patchogue until moving to Maryland and beginning his time volunteering with PG County. He was hired by Annapolis City Fire Department, where he spent the next 23 years, finishing his career as a Captain. At the same time, never stopped volunteering at UCVFD, and even after retirement continued to volunteer in Pennsylvania. The men and women he worked and volunteered with over the years truly are, and forever will be, family.

Raise a glass, or more appropriately a Big Gulp cup, and share some stories to celebrate Scott's life. Though his time on earth was short, the stories are long and plentiful. The world is a little less colorful without him in it.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Tunnel to Towers Foundation, [www.t2t.org](http://www.t2t.org).

# Previous Events

## Viewing

JAN 2. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Chester Location / Kent Island  
106 Shamrock Road  
Chester, MD 21619  
(410) 643-2226  
info@fhfuneralhome.com

## Funeral Service

JAN 2. 11:00 AM - 11:30 AM (ET)

Chester Location / Kent Island  
106 Shamrock Road  
Chester, MD 21619  
(410) 643-2226  
info@fhfuneralhome.com

## Burial

JAN 2. 12:00 PM - 12:30 PM (ET)

Stevensville Cemetery  
808 Main Street  
Stevensville, MD

# Tribute Wall



“ *Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Richard Scott Svoboda*



**Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home** - January 02, 2025 at 08:26 AM

KB

*Our sincerest condolences to the Svoboda family from John and Karen Brady (Maddies Old neighbors in Patchogue)*

**Karen S Brady** - February 11, 2025 at 07:28 AM



“ *Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Richard Scott Svoboda*



**Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home** - December 31, 2024 at 02:47 PM



*Eyerman family & Tammy Orlando made a donation to the Tunnels To Towers foundation in Scott's name.*

January 01, 2025 at 01:51 PM

MT

“ I am so sorry to see this today .Scott was a great man to work with and have on one's crew.He was so very knowledgeable and devoted to the Fire service so when working with him you knew you were with someone “All in” and we had some great laughs along the way So sorry for Carrie and son Ryan

mark Tully - January 12, 2025 at 04:31 PM

DT

“ Diana And Stuart Tarrant lit a candle in memory of Richard Scott Svoboda



Diana and Stuart Tarrant - January 02, 2025 at 09:42 PM

MU

“ Marie Usilton lit a candle in memory of Richard Scott Svoboda



Marie Usilton - January 02, 2025 at 04:40 PM

SP

“ My thoughts and prayers are with the family of Scott Svoboda. Rest peacefully Scott.



Shelly Parker - January 01, 2025 at 10:36 PM

WS

“ *Whitetail Resort Staff purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Richard Scott Svoboda.*



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**Whitetail Resort Staff** - January 01, 2025 at 09:21 PM

WS

“ *Whitetail Resort Staff planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Richard Scott Svoboda.*

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**Whitetail Resort Staff** - January 01, 2025 at 09:21 PM

CD

“ *Celeste D. planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Richard Scott Svoboda.*

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**Celeste D.** - January 01, 2025 at 08:56 PM

SF

“ *Steven Grunewald and family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Richard Scott Svoboda.*



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**Steven Grunewald and family** - January 01, 2025 at 04:31 PM

DS

“ My condolences to Carrie, Bryan and Scott’s family. I enjoyed working with Scott and always admired his love for the fire service. I had the honor of promoting Scott to the rank of Captain during my time as Chief. I want to thank Scott’s family for sharing him with us and thank Scott for his dedication and service to the Annapolis Fire Department. Rest in peace.

Chief David L. Stokes, Ret.  
Annapolis Fire Department

David L. Stokes - January 01, 2025 at 03:20 PM

MC

“ Marion Volunteer Fire Company purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Richard Scott Svoboda.



Marion Volunteer Fire Company - January 01, 2025 at 02:45 PM

JF

“ Jeff Gunter and Family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Richard Scott Svoboda.



Jeff Gunter and Family - January 01, 2025 at 01:05 PM

KD

“ RIP. Scott. You will be sorely missed by many.

Kim & Pat Dempsey - January 01, 2025 at 12:51 PM

JP

“ *JoAnn And Royden Powell lit a candle in memory of Richard Scott Svoboda*



JoAnn and Royden Powell - January 01, 2025 at 11:59 AM

PI

“ *My prayers and condolences are with all of you.*



Phil Davidson II - December 31, 2024 at 07:10 PM

MF

“ *Mike & Shannon Hertz & Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Richard Scott Svoboda.*

Mike & Shannon Hertz & Family - December 31, 2024 at 03:16 PM

MF

“ *Mike & Shannon Hertz & Family purchased the Lily and Rose Tribute Spray for the family of Richard Scott Svoboda.*



Mike & Shannon Hertz & Family - December 31, 2024 at 03:16 PM



“ Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of Richard Scott Svoboda.



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December 31, 2024 at 10:48 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Richard Scott Svoboda.

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December 31, 2024 at 10:48 AM



“ The Farners purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Richard Scott Svoboda.



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**The Farners** - December 30, 2024 at 10:03 PM



“ The Farners planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Richard Scott Svoboda.

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**The Farners** - December 30, 2024 at 10:03 PM

NL

“ NMBPFFA IAFF L4637 purchased the *Strength & Solace Spray* for the family of *Richard Scott Svoboda*.



NMBPFFA IAFF L4637 - December 30, 2024 at 05:52 PM

CY

“ Cyril planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of *Richard Scott Svoboda*.

Cyril - December 30, 2024 at 03:44 PM

CY

“ Cyril purchased the *Arrive in Style* for the family of *Richard Scott Svoboda*.



Cyril - December 30, 2024 at 03:44 PM

MR

“ *Melissa, Mark & Dustin Rousseau* lit a candle in memory of *Richard Scott Svoboda*



Melissa, Mark & Dustin Rousseau - December 30, 2024 at 03:31 PM

LM

“ LSBW Spa Denise, Kacie, Megan planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Richard Scott Svoboda.

LSBW Spa Denise, Kacie, Megan - December 30, 2024 at 02:36 PM

LM

“ LSBW Spa Denise, Kacie, Megan purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Richard Scott Svoboda.



LSBW Spa Denise, Kacie, Megan - December 30, 2024 at 02:36 PM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Richard Scott Svoboda.



December 30, 2024 at 01:04 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Richard Scott Svoboda.



December 30, 2024 at 12:46 PM