



## Michael Patrick O'Connell

June 19, 2023

Michael Patrick O'Connell of Mount Laurel passed away unexpectedly on June 19th 2023, at the young age of 20. Michael will always be remembered as a loving son to Mike and Kim (DiFonzo), a loyal brother to Ryan, a devoted grandson to Edna & Mike O'Connell, Sandy & Jerry Reardon and a compassionate great-grandson to GG. He was taken from 9 cousins, 8 aunts and uncles, countless family members, friends, teammates and fraternity brothers.

His passing is a profound and tremendous loss for those who knew him. His smile could light up a room and his laughter was contagious. He made mullets and penny loafers look good. He sidelined as DJ Spike O, was a ringer at cornhole, an avid sports junky and most importantly, he was Ryan's biggest fan.

Michael's passing leaves an enormous hole in our hearts and we will miss him terribly. We know that he is in a good place and that Pop Pop Jerry is taking great care of him.

We love you "Big" Mike.

Relatives and friends are invited to Mike's Visitation and Funeral, Monday, June 26, 2023 from 10 AM to Noon from Our Lady of Good Counsel Church, 42 West Main Street, Moorestown, NJ 08057 followed by his Funeral Mass at Noon. Interment will be private.

Arrangements entrusted to the care of Rachubinski & Rogers Funeral Homes.

\*\*\*\*In lieu of flowers, please consider making a donation, by check or money order, to the "Michael Patrick O'Connell Memorial Fund" in care of TD Bank, 201 Ark Road, Mount Laurel, NJ 08054. The use of the memorial funds will be decided at a later time.\*\*\*\*

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN **26**. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Our Lady of Good Counsel Church  
42 W Main St  
Moorestown, NJ 08057

*Flowers to be delivered to the church by 9 AM*

## Funeral Mass

JUN **26**. 12:00 PM (ET)

Our Lady of Good Counsel Church  
42 W Main St  
Moorestown, NJ 08057-2430  
(856) 235-0181

# Tribute Wall

RG

“ *All of our heart and thoughts,  
Ross ,Shereen, Gavin and Tyler*

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**Ross Gray** - June 27, 2023 at 04:33 PM

BK

“ *Mike, Kim and Ryan we are thinking of you and praying for your family. Hugs to you all.*

*Chris, Brenda, Ethan and Hailey Kochanny*

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**Brenda Kochanny** - June 26, 2023 at 08:30 PM

JU

“ *Our condolences to the family and friends of Michael. We know that there are no words to describe how heartbreaking this could be. May god give you all strength through this difficult time.*

*With Love, -  
Staff of WorldBestCleaning*



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**Juan Urbina** - June 26, 2023 at 07:21 PM

LW

“ *We are so heartbroken to hear about the loss of your beautiful son. No words can be found to express our sincere sympathy. We are praying for you all and asking for strength and love to surround you. Lori (and Michael) wolverton*

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**lori wolverton** - June 26, 2023 at 11:25 AM

SD

“ *Sherry Drayton lit a candle in memory of Michael Patrick O'Connell*



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**Sherry Drayton** - June 26, 2023 at 09:41 AM

AL

“ *We were terribly sorry to hear of Mike's passing. Sincere sympathy and prayers are being sent for the entire O'Connell family.*



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**Amy and David Leger** - June 26, 2023 at 09:29 AM

CS

“ *We are so very sorry for the loss of your son. Your family will be in our Prayers and we are thinking of you all during this time. May you all find the strength and love you need during this time.*

*Connie and Darrel Schulte*

*Rough Riders Billets*

*Cedar Rapids, Iowa*

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**Connie Schulte** - June 25, 2023 at 09:20 PM

LT

“ The first time I saw Mike was freshman year at MHS in Mrs. Harvey’s biology class. I didn’t know it at that time but he would become someone I considered to be one of my best friends throughout high school. There was never a dull moment with Mike. I looked forward to walking to and from class with him everyday and I have so many videos of our funny interactions on a daily basis. Luckily because we continued to have classes together all four years, those interactions did not stop and neither did us walking around school together or getting caught taking the elevator since we were feeling a little lazy on certain days. I have been looking back on the memories Mike and I made during those 4 years, I feel deep sadness knowing that he has now gone on to heaven but I also feel grateful knowing that I met someone, my best friend, who could make me smile and laugh every single day. I express my deepest condolences to Michael’s family. He was an amazing person and an even better friend.

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**Leah Thomas** - June 24, 2023 at 02:07 PM

DH

I have been partners in business with Mike Jr. for over 20 years. I remember him speaking very lovingly about his sons and often looked forward to hearing the stories of softball.  
Mike - you and your family are a part of the Mastery Charter School family. Our thoughts are with you always.

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**Dionne Hayes** - June 28, 2023 at 11:29 AM

SL

“ Kim - I am so very sorry to hear of Michael's passing. Please know that I am thinking of you at this extremely difficult time. Praying for you and your family. Sue L.

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**Susan Lampedecchio** - June 23, 2023 at 04:55 PM

RK

“ Mike was truly one of a kind. An all around great friend. Wherever Michael was he brought nothing but energy and enthusiasm and affected everyone around him. He put a smile on everybody's face while still having the biggest in the room. I am blessed to have the memories we have created together. From Phillies games, to Fort Lauderdale, to the Bahamas, the list goes on. Michael will be loved forever and ever. My sincere condolences to Kim, Mike, Ryan, and the rest of the O'Connell family. #LLMO

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**Ryan Korver** - June 23, 2023 at 03:00 PM

DU

“ Hi Kim, Please accept my condolences to you and your family on Michael's passing. I remember the beautiful family pictures you shared on our work Teams site and my heart breaks for your tremendous loss. I am keeping you all in my prayers. With sympathy, Dureza



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**Dureza** - June 23, 2023 at 02:14 PM

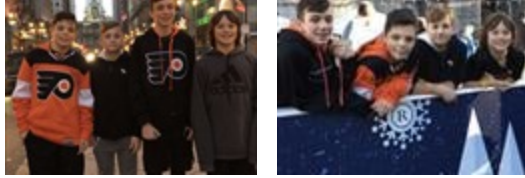
CA

“ I did not know Michael or his family. I am only a business customer, but I have children of my own and feel so sad for the loss of your son. He will be remembered in my special intentions at Mass this Sunday. Bless Michael and the family.

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**Carla** - June 23, 2023 at 10:57 AM

BA

“ *Michael was always smiling, laughing, and making everyone in his presence laugh. His smile was infectious. His loss is a profound tragedy. Mike, Kim, Ryan and family are in my thoughts and prayers. Words cannot express my sincere condolences.*



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**Barb** - June 23, 2023 at 08:50 AM

DU

“ *Kim, Mike and Ryan,  
We are so sorry for your loss of Michael. We have such fond memories of our baseball Angels. Our prayers are with you.  
Mike, Dorrie, Nate, Addison & Logan Uscinowicz*



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**Dorrie Uscinowicz** - June 23, 2023 at 08:00 AM

GB

“ *Even though I only knew Mikey a short time, I could tell immediately that he was a good kid. He was intelligent, worked hard, and made tougher days so much easier.*

*I enjoyed our morning dunkin doughnuts coffee stops bud. Rest in peace.*

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**George Bolduc** - June 22, 2023 at 07:25 PM

JD

“ Mike was truly a great person, every time he came into a room the room lit up with smiles. He was funny, genuine, kind, and a pure soul. I am truly blessed to have met Mike and my memories with him will live on. #LLMO

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**Joey Desapio** - June 22, 2023 at 03:47 PM

KB

“ Mike was a one of a kind person. Although I was a few years older than him, he made an impact on me that was profound. I met Mike through our fraternity and we continued our friendship as we went on to participate in the same 4 person team together for the brothers golf outing years down the road and hanging out at our houses regularly until I graduated. Words can't describe how much I will miss him along with how precious the moments I got to spend with him were. I know he will be looking down as a guardian angel amongst all of his friends as well as his family. I send my condolences to the family and I will never allow the memories I've made with Mike to fade as time goes on.

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**Kyle Brennan** - June 22, 2023 at 11:38 AM

CN

“ I've known Mike the past 3 years through our college fraternity. We referred to him as “Miko” “DJ Spike” or “The Electric Factory,” because he had the ability to light up a room no matter where he went, and had presence that could only be described as electric. He was liked by all and could put a smile on anyone's face, and he will be remembered as such. He was a all around a great friend, a great man, a great brother, and will be sorely missed. My condolences to his family.

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**CJ Nicholson** - June 22, 2023 at 10:04 AM