



## Michael T. Anton

November 13, 1952 - August 27, 2023

Michael T. Anton- dedicated husband, father, grandfather and friend - passed away on Sunday, August 27, 2023.

Mike was born and raised in NYC before raising his family in upstate NY and retiring at the Jersey Shore. He was a proud officer in the NYPD before returning to a career in telephone technology.

Mike loved his family, fishing, woodwork, and helping others. With a high school diploma in cabinet making, Mike was often using his skills to build and fix things around the house and neighborhood. He was always eager to help and figure out a solution to any problem.

As an avid fisherman, he has traveled to many lakes around the country, but his favorite fishing trips were with his son in Lake Champlain, NY. He also enjoyed the sunrises on the deck of Cabin 10 at Whip-Poor-Will Lodge in Canada and eventful catches with grandchildren at Silver Lake in Belmar, NJ.

Mike was happiest when he was with his family. He never missed a reason to come together - a celebration, lunch, sporting event, being in the neighborhood, and everything in between. He never met a baby he didn't love so when he was promoted to being a Papa his heart was full.

Mike is survived by his wife of 47 years, Elizabeth; his children: Michael (Katrinia) and Elizabeth (Christopher); his grandchildren: Quinn, Caitlin, Molly, Michael and Matthew; his brother, George (Rebecca); many cousins, nieces, nephews, and friends.

Visitation will be held at Bongarzone Funeral Home at 2400 Shafto Road, Tinton Falls, NJ 07712 on Thursday, August 31, 2023 from 4pm-7pm.

Funeral Mass will be held at Church of Saint Anselm at 1028 Wayside Road, Tinton Falls, NJ 07712 on Friday, September 1, 2023 at 10:30am.

The family has requested no flowers and donations in his memory may be made to the charity of your choice.

# Cemetery Details

**Private**

## Previous Events

### Memorial Gathering

AUG 31. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Bongarzone Funeral Home  
2400 Shafto Road  
Tinton Falls, NJ 07712  
(732) 918-6200

### Memorial Mass

SEP 1. 10:30 AM (ET)

Church of Saint Anselm  
1028 Wayside Road  
Tinton Falls, NJ

# Tribute Wall

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“ Some of the happiest times in my life were spent with Uncle Mike (my godfather). I will forever cherish the times I have spent with him, Aunt Liz, Michael Tim and Elizabeth Ann. I always looked forward to spending time with him. I am broken hearted of his passing. I will fight to get through this by remembering all of the great times we had. I love you Uncle Mike. Thank you for all that you did for Cassie and I. We will never forget you.

Nancy J. Anton - August 31, 2023 at 03:19 PM



“ When I first met Mike, it felt like I already knew him. I've only known him for the relatively short time he's been a resident here at Cedar Village. I was a military brat, and met quite a few men who were, like my Dad, stalwart, principled, honest, competent, capable, and caring. He was definitely one of those men. I am proud to have known him, and will always remember him. Maybe we'll meet again in the hereafter.

Ray Washburn - August 31, 2023 at 12:14 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Michael T. Anton.



August 31, 2023 at 07:55 AM

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“ *Michael,*

*Life is not measured by the number of breaths we take, but by the moments that take our breath away. I have many memorable moments that I have shared with you. I am grateful for all those memories. You have been an interictal part of my life. I will miss you terribly. You have always been a great thoughtful person. Love you lots.*

*Marianne Doonan Fucci*

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**Mariane Doonan Fucci** - August 30, 2023 at 08:52 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Michael T. Anton.*



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August 30, 2023 at 11:27 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Michael T. Anton.*



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August 29, 2023 at 09:49 PM

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“ Elizabeth & family, we have been blessed knowing Mike as a dear husband, dad, brother, papa and friend. I pray:  
When in the Lord's safe landing net he's peacefully asleep, That in His mercy Mike be judged as good enough to keep.

Sharon Trotta - August 29, 2023 at 05:47 PM

FP

“ Dear Liz, Michael, Elizabeth and Family - I am so sorry to hear of Mike's passing. He was one of my favorite people and a true gentleman. May he rest in peace. Prayers to you all....Love  
Filomena Pulitano

Filomena Pulitano - August 29, 2023 at 04:41 PM

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“ Bongarzone Funeral Home lit a candle in memory of Michael T. Anton



Bongarzone Funeral Home - August 29, 2023 at 04:25 PM

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“ 3 files added to the album Fishing Times



Bongarzone Funeral Home - August 29, 2023 at 12:34 PM

RM

*Mike - I'm sorry about the time that I got mad at you for revealing to the whole fish camp our favorite and most productive fishing hole. I don't mind that it took us several years to find that spot, or that you took some fishermen to the exact location in your boat and marked the spot for them. I don't even mind that for the rest of the week, we couldn't get within 25 yards of "our secret fishing hole" due to the high volume of boats anchored on our spot. Most fishermen keep those secret spots to ourselves, we are fishermen, that's what we do. But when it comes to being pure of heart, you were always in a class of your own. And you will always be my Captain.*

*Bobby Babe*

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**Robert Maas** - August 29, 2023 at 01:32 PM

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*Dear Elizabeth and family,*

*I want you to know it was my honor to say that Mike Anton was a friend. I will always remember him as the kindest and most honorable man, family man, cop and fisherman I have ever met. His warm, generous and caring nature could not be surpassed. Mike gave me the name, Papa Bear and I will forever be proud of that. May his memory be eternal.*

*With my deepest sympathies,  
Paul Eney*

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**Paul Eney** - August 29, 2023 at 02:05 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Michael T. Anton.

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August 29, 2023 at 12:11 PM



“ Gerberas and Palms Spray was purchased for the family of Michael T. Anton.



August 29, 2023 at 12:11 PM



“ We were so saddened to hear about Mike’s passing. We have wonderful memories of the Antons when they were our neighbors on Lonergan Dr. Especially the day I was married during a snowstorm at West Point. So many laughs . Keeping you Liz Michael Tim and Elizabeth in our thoughts and prayers. Hugs Donna Clark Hartley and Dave .

Donna Hartley - August 29, 2023 at 12:09 PM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Michael T. Anton.



August 28, 2023 at 08:47 PM



“ Our hearts are heavy with the loss of Mike. Our deepest condolences to Elizabeth and the entire family. May he rest in peace.

Lorraine & Paul Szymialowicz

Lorraine Szymialowicz - August 28, 2023 at 05:50 PM

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“ *Bongarzone Funeral Home lit a candle in  
memory of Michael T. Anton* ”



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**Bongarzone Funeral Home** - August 28, 2023 at 11:56 AM