



Mike Casto

December 15, 2021

Kenney Michael “Mike” Casto passed away on Wednesday, December 15, 2021 at the age 63. Mike was born to Margaret A. Young Casto and Kenney M. Casto in Portsmouth, Virginia. He was the youngest of four siblings and the only boy. Mike had a larger-than-life personality and never met a stranger. He graduated from Churchland High School in 1978 where he played center for the varsity football team. After graduation, he joined the family business Casto’s Body Shop until it closed. Mike then went through the Apprenticeship Program at Norfolk Naval Shipyard where he would remain a valued employee and instructor until his retirement.

Mike was the beloved father of Heather, Nicole, and Brian, and in the past years embraced his role as Papa to Easton and very recently welcomed new granddaughter Reese. He shared his life with Angela, his partner of 19 years. They were active members of Ivor United Methodist Church. Together they enjoyed traveling, going to auctions to get great deals, and spending time with their grandson. He looked forward to attending the Casto family reunion, where he presided as auctioneer for the fundraiser and his annual snowboarding trip to Canaan, WV. Mike could be found working in his garage and yard, volunteering at his church, keeping his many lunch appointments, and caring for his feral cats.

Mike is survived by:

His life partner Angela Holliday

His daughter Heather and husband Ian Trakowski, and his granddaughter Reese

His son Brian Donovan Casto

His daughter Nicole Diane Casto and fiancé Daniel

His daughter Leslie and husband Ryan Brown

His daughter Chrisi and husband Lee VanLear, and his grandson Easton

His three sisters Melody and husband Dewey Rowe, Laura and husband Dan Lupton, Lynn and husband Fred Mullins, and a host of aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces, nephews, friends, and neighbors.

He was preceded in Heaven by his parents Margaret and Kenney Casto.

A celebration of his life will be held at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Ivor United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 416, Ivor, VA 23866.

Tribute Wall

RI

“ Angela, Jay and I were heartbroken to hear of Mike’s passing. It was such a shock. You two were always a joy to see at the auctions. 2 of my favorite❤️. My condolences to his entire family.

Rita - December 28, 2021 at 09:34 AM

JU

“ I am so sorry for your loss. My heart breaks for you. You are in my thoughts and prayers.

Jana Unsworth - December 21, 2021 at 12:05 PM

JW

“ Angela & Family and The Castro Family,
We were so sorry to hear about Mike passing away. Mike was such a friendly guy & his smile was out of this world!! It was always nice to see Mike at WBP or out in about in the Western Branch area. He always acted like he was glad to see you. I know Mike is going to be so greatly missed by all who knew & loved him.
You are in our thoughts & prayers.
Jeff & Shirley Werner



Jeff & Shirley Werner - December 21, 2021 at 11:31 AM

NC

“ When we think of the family reunion, it’s inevitable not to immediately think the auction. Mike would make us laugh so hard we would cry and there were even some times we through in a surprise gift to make him start chuckling 😊. The last story he told me and Katie about was the snake one. It was a classic!

Noah and Katie Casto - December 20, 2021 at 05:16 PM

MI

“ He was life long friend & one of our five Groomsmen. May he rest in peace.

Our Condolences to his family.

Sincerely,

Mr& Mrs. Robert.G.RichardsII-Aka Betty&Bob.

Mrs.Robert Richards II - December 20, 2021 at 02:59 PM

MR

Mike played football with my son and was a groomsman at their wedding. During his high school years he spent time with his feet under our table. Those are years I look back on with a smile on my face. Rest with the angels Mike

Marge Richards - December 20, 2021 at 03:14 PM

ST

“ *Sandy, Fritz and Alex Trakowski purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Mike Casto.*



Sandy, Fritz and Alex Trakowski - December 20, 2021 at 12:43 PM

SD

“ *My first memory of Mike was when he came to WBP to have lunch with Angela. I thought, "Who is that handsome man?" Upon meeting him, conversation was easy. He made us laugh and had great stories. It was also evident how special he was to Angela and vice versa. My heart is overwhelmed with sadness for your loss. I'm sending lots of love and prayers your way! Stacie Denius*

Stacie Denius - December 20, 2021 at 09:44 AM

CK

“ WOW! I am still in shock! Love to the Casto family and to Angela. Life can be so short sometimes, do not waste a moment. Love you all
Carolyn Kowalski

Carolyn Kowalski - December 20, 2021 at 08:28 AM

KF

“ Our deepest condolences to Mike's family and friends. Nicole - we hope you find some comfort knowing you have our love and support - whatever you need, however we can help, anything, always. So very very sorry you are going through this pain. We love you and are grateful our son does too.

Gary and Karen Foggin

Karen Foggin - December 20, 2021 at 04:21 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mike Casto.



December 19, 2021 at 05:08 PM

LB

“ I am so very sorry to hear about Mr. Mike's passing. He had such a giving spirit and a great sense of humor. I send my condolences and love to all of his loved ones.

Sincerely,
Latrina Baldwin

Latrina Baldwin - December 19, 2021 at 12:13 PM

RH

“ We have known the Casto family since they moved from West Virginia.

Sorry to hear about Mike.

Praying for family.

*Ray & Marylou Hudgins
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Ray Hudgins - December 19, 2021 at 11:37 AM

CK

“ *My heart goes out to his girlfriend and daughters. I am totally shocked by the loss of Mike. He was perhaps the most organized man I have every known. He was a unique as my supervisor in that he always had time to help and build on our apprentice courses at the Navy Yard. I will miss our biweekly chats and his uplifting heart. Rest in peace Mike!*

Chip Kerzel

Chip Kerzel - December 19, 2021 at 06:38 AM