



## Valen Widlacki

November 22, 2021

Valen Tyler Widlacki, age 20, died suddenly Sunday, November 22, 2021. Valen joined the Navy just out of high school, and he was a Petty Officer E-4 in the IT department. His first duty station was on NIMITZ Carrier in Washington State. He was currently serving on the USS George HW Bush Carrier in Norfolk. Valen was a very gifted young man he rated as a sharpshooter with a pistol...also made "iron cadet" 3 times in a row in ROTC.

Valen loved his sister, Shaye and wanted to learn to scuba dive. He was a leader and highly intelligent. He loved computers, baby sloths and wallaby's. He was very funny and sharp witted. Valen leaves behind his sister, Shaye; father, Guy and other extended family members.

Services will be held at West Park Church of Christ at 926 Cherokee Rd, Portsmouth VA, 23701 on Sunday, Dec 5th. The family will receive friends in the church at 3pm. Funeral service with Full Military Honors will begin at 4pm. A reception will follow at Christopher Academy at 3300 Cedar lane, Portsmouth VA 23703

# Previous Events

## **A Visitation Celebrating His Life**

DEC 5. 3:00 PM (ET)

West Park Church of Christ  
926 Cherokee Road  
Portsmouth, VA

## **Service**

DEC 5. 4:00 PM (ET)

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Portsmouth, VA

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Guy and Shaye,  
There are no words to describe the depth of our sorrow for you and  
your family. Valen was a highly thought of successful young man.  
Please know you are in our thoughts and prayers always.*

*Cheryl, Mike, and Conor Brown*

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**Cheryl Brown** - December 05, 2021 at 04:11 PM

KW

“ *Kathy Woerheide purchased the Beautiful in Blue  
for the family of Valen Widlacki.*



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**Kathy Woerheide** - December 04, 2021 at 03:34 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the  
family of Valen Widlacki.*



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December 03, 2021 at 08:41 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Valen Widlacki.*



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December 02, 2021 at 10:58 AM



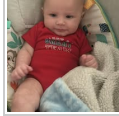
“ *I am Valen's father, Guy. I am overwhelmed with grief and i am grateful for all the help from my family and friends to help Shaye and I navigate these unbelievably hard days.*

*I never in a million years though I would outlive my own son. My handsome brilliant little man just turned 20 three weeks ago. Shaye, Valen and I just returned home from a two week adventure across the country leaving from Washington State, where he was serving on the NIMITZ and being re-stationed on the Bush carrier in Norfolk Va. it was an incredible two weeks where we saw God's county in Yosemite and Utah with the beautiful scenery. The three of us laughed, joked, and listened to each others song play lists ....drove 4,800 miles together on the way home and enjoyed every moment of it. We collected all kinds of cool 'stuff' and made plans as we went along each night in the motels or twice when we had to sleep in the car... My little buddy cannot be replaced as he was incredibly unique.*

*I cannot express in words what he means to me,...but i can say that I would laid down my life to see and hold him just one more time. I'll see you soon little man. I love you...Dad*

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**Guy Widlacki** - November 30, 2021 at 12:24 AM



*I'm really sorry for ur lose Valen was really special to me very outgoing and bright and a great friend I'm gonna miss him a lot he talked to me a lot about his sister and family just know he loved u guys a lot I won't be able to make it to the funeral like I want to because I don't live in Washington anymore but I send all my love condolences 🌸 and Valen was one of my best friends and I'm very honored to have met him ☐ 🙏  
❤️😭 I pray that he rests easy he will dearly be missed*

**Jaya Fairley** - December 02, 2021 at 11:21 AM

JP

*We are so heartbroken to learn of Valen's passing. Olivia has many good memories of him at Christopher Academy. So very sorry. You and Shaye are in our thoughts and prayers.*

**Jaime Petty** - December 02, 2021 at 06:33 PM

LB

*Guy, I left a message on Legacy.com but want to add one here, as well. Gordon and I are deeply sorry about Valen's passing. I know I also speak for the Churchland community in wishing you strength and peace during this unexpected storm. May Valen's memory be eternal.*

**Loukia Borrell** - December 04, 2021 at 12:12 PM

PS

*I remember having both Valen and Shaye as first-grade students at Christopher Academy. They were precious children and a joy to teach. I have been heartbroken for the past week since hearing of Valen's passing. To me, he is still that sweet, loving little boy. I can only imagine how difficult this is for you and your family. Please know that I am praying for comfort and strength for you.*

**Pamela Sexton** - December 04, 2021 at 05:10 PM