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Michael David Lewis, age 52 of Rehoboth Beach, DE and formerly of New Castle, DE, passed away on Friday, May 6, 2022. He was born in Wilmington, DE on March 5, 1970, son of the late Francis and Judith (Bratton) Lewis.

Michael graduated from St. Elizabeth High School in 1988 and the University of Delaware in 1993.

He walked his own path and worked in several industries during his life, but the only thing that he kept going back to and truly loved was fishing. Michael loved everything about fishing, he could talk your ears off about the boats he worked on, the people he met, the customers he helped, and the fish he caught. He recently landed his dream job of fishing full time, year-round and was looking forward to the opportunity and the adventures ahead. Thank you to everyone in his fishing community who took him under their wings and helped him find his passion.

Michael was a gifted and talented athlete, excelling in both basketball and baseball. He played both while at Our Lady of Fatima, where he was known as “Spud” on the basketball team. Michael played for Wilmington Manor Gardens and Delaware City teams, winning multiple championships as a kid. He also played Varsity Baseball at St. Elizabeth High School and was a member of the 1987 team that played in the State Semifinals.

Anyone who knew Michael knew his other loves were the Pittsburgh Steelers (6x Super Bowl Champs, which he would casually mention to anyone, especially his brother, a Cowboys fan), the NBA, and the G.O.A.T. Michael Jordan.

Above all, Michael was a loving son, brother, uncle, and friend. He was a shining example of service to others and will be missed by all who had the pleasure to know him.

Lastly, he loved his family, most importantly his mother prior to her passing in 2008. Later in life he developed a close relationship with his father before his passing in 2021.



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He is survived by his sister, Lisa Poplos (Mike); his brother Francis Lewis (Deb); his nieces and nephews: Stephanie, Katie, Alexis, Zach, Aiden, and Garrett; and his great-nieces and nephews: Jayden, Andrew, Brandon, Preston, Kaidence, and Jerryd; his Aunt Lucy; and his cousins: Caron, Colene, and Heather.

A funeral service will be held on Saturday, May 21, 2022, at 3:00 PM, at Parsell Funeral Homes & Crematorium, Atkins-Lodge Chapel, 16961 Kings Highway, Lewes, DE, where friends may visit beginning at 2:00 PM.

All who cannot attend in person are invited to join the services via live streaming by visiting <http://www.parsellfuneralhomes.com/obituaries/permalink/10469280/LTWebcast>.

Masks are required and social distancing protocols must be observed by all persons attending or participating in any part of the services held at the funeral home.

In lieu of flowers, please consider donating in Michael's memory to Limen Recovery & Wellness, at www.limende.org, or the Ocean City Reef Foundation (OCRF), at www.ocreefs.org.

Please sign the virtual guestbook located on the tribute page.

FLORIST NOTE: PLEASE DELIVER ALL ARRANGEMENTS BY 4:00 PM ON FRIDAY, MAY 20, 2022, AT OUR LEWES LOCATION




Events

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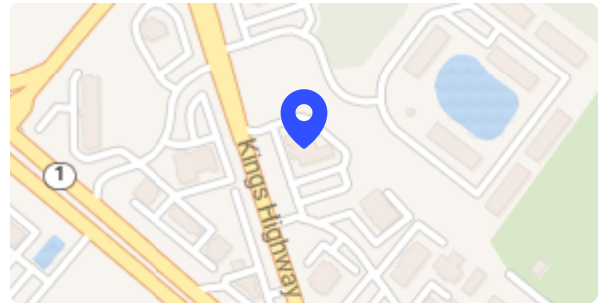
Visitation

 **Saturday**, May 21, 2022

 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM ET

 **Parsell Funeral Homes & Crematorium-Atkins-Lodge Chapel**

16961 Kings Highway, Lewes DE 19958



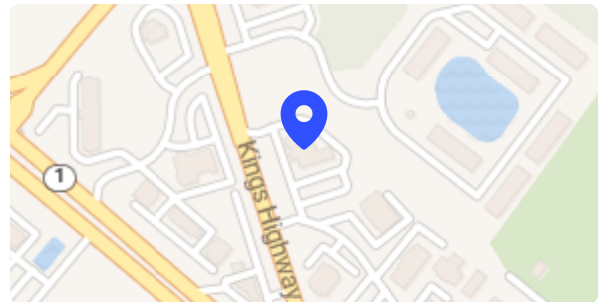
Live Stream Viewing of Service

 **Saturday**, May 21, 2022

 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM ET

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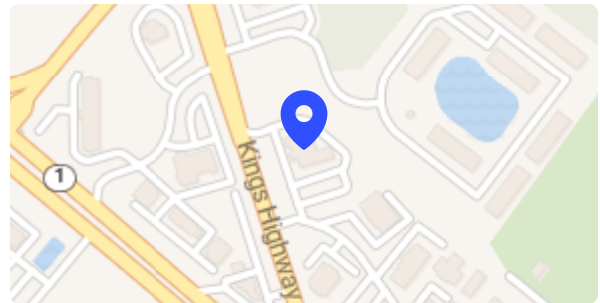
Memorial Service

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May 9 at 9:27 AM



Rob Bratton posted:

An incredible service with touching stories from family and friends. Our thoughts and prayers are with Michael's family and friends. Love, Rob, Monica, Robert, Park, and Alice.

May 21 at 12:04 PM



Angela Peterson posted:

You will forever make my heart smile...I will cherish every minute I got to spend with you...your smile was infectious, and your hugs made me never want to leave your arms. Love you always.

May 19 at 9:04 PM



Anonymous sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Lewis family.



May 19 at 5:31 AM



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HC

Heather Chickadel posted:

So so many fond, loving , fun, crazy times, memories I will hold so dear . When I think of you all I can do is laugh because every time we were together that's all we did.. not to mention up to no good as well. But you was the one to take me to my first concert you led the way for many more to follow .. when we would swim in the bay, my whole life well into my 30s I made you get in first and swim for a while if you didn't get eaten then I knew I was good. When we worked together Friday happy hour was the start to one long kick ass weekend and we would show up to work on Monday dragging ass and swore that come that Friday we wasn't doing that again. Hahahahahaha and Friday came and we would out do the Friday before SMH.. some of the best times of my life was with you and I enjoyed every second.. I was proud to see you become the man you worked so hard become and you made a name for yourself in AA/NA, people knew who you were. It was so nice to see you return back to your first love ... fishing ! You have always been special Michael and I know your mom thought that too you always excelled at everything you did and I'm gonna miss you like crazy . I love you rest easy cuz

May 16 at 9:53 AM

CI

Christian In lit a candle in honor of Michael.

For the short time I've known Micheal he has truly been an inspiration in my life. His positive outlook was a wonderful thing to be around and he will be greatly missed. RIP My Friend...Christian In



May 13 at 9:08 AM

JM

John Moore posted:

In 2017 while fishing with Michael on the Three Amigos for tuna Michael and I had a long conversation in the front of the boat as we headed in. He was such a compassionate person. He helped me overcome a very serious issue I was having and brought me back down from a very dangerous ledge. For that reason he will always be in my heart and a true brother to me. I will miss his morning posts as he crossed his favorite bridge and the chance to fish with him once again this year.

May 12 at 4:52 AM

MR

Michael Roark May 17 at 1:05 PM

RIP Mike you were well respected and well known for your wisdom and support of the people in recovery. You touched so many lives that love and passion will be missed by hundreds of us . God bless you brother



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Anonymous sent an Ocean Breeze Spray to the Lewis family.

May 11 at 4:43 PM



Anonymous sent a Sentiments of Serenity Spray to the Lewis family.

May 10 at 7:56 PM



Loretta Reed posted:

I had the honor of knowing Michael since the day we started at Beebe. Such a gentle soul. I could talk to him about anything. Every struggle, every victory, everything. I will never forget those talks. They were deep. Always sincere. Always ended with a smile and see ya later. I'll never forget. Love ya buddy.

May 10 at 7:56 PM



Luke B. Vannicola posted:

I am blessed to have seen you on the docks last summer at OCFC...Your smile was as genuine as it gets...Watching you work that boat was a pleasure...You were in your element...I was looking forward to seeing you again this summer...Rest easy Mike

May 10 at 5:15 AM



Scott Stapleford May 11 at 2:03 PM

We were blessed to have Mike on the GAME ON crew last season and he will be missed sorely in the future 🙏😞...I will always remember him and pray for his peace and may our father in heaven allow him to visit us regularly in spirit out on his beloved ocean.



Maryann Hopkins posted:

Deepest sympathy. R.I.P. Michael 🙏

May 9 at 3:52 PM



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May 9 at 9:27 AM



TO

Tory May 21 at 1:53 PM

My condolences to his family. He was always the loveable brother to me.



Amanda Leigh May 21 at 12:05 PM

I pray that you have found peace my friend. I am keeping your family in my thoughts and prayers. I will miss you.

MA

Mary May 21 at 11:52 AM

I didn't know Michael that well...but the first time I talked to him and saw his compassion, caring and absolute action in helping someone was (& I remember the date and day) Thursday, January 16, 2020 it was in Bebee Hospital and he picked up our mutual friend and lovingly and with the respect this woman deserved put her into her bed..covered her up and kissed her forehead...turned to the aide and said this woman is a rockstar I want you to know that.....he had humility that I saw in I will always hold that action in my heart...

RM

Robin Marshall May 17 at 3:41 AM

My thoughts and prayers are with the family. Please remember God is their during this time of need. Robin Marshall



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Michael by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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