



## Michael J. Shamus Jr.

June 28, 1936 - July 4, 2022

Michael J. Shamus, 86, passed away July 4, 2022, with his family by his side in Gainesville, VA. He was preceded in death by his loving wife, Annette, of 61 years. He is survived by daughters; Ann M. Shamus and Megan A. Schlitt and her husband, Danny; grandchildren; Daniel and Annette. He was the son of the late Michael, and Helen (Stancavage) Shamus. He was predeceased by; sisters, Anna Houser and Helen Kalbarczyk; brother, Leonard Shamus.

Mike served in the U.S. Navy for 20 years. During his tenure, he served two Vice Presidents of the United States with distinction and was awarded the Meritorious Service Medal by the President of the United States. He was a primary liaison between the Office of the Vice President, the White House, the Department of Defense, the Department of State and numerous other agencies. While at the White House, he also provided support to the Council on International Economic Policy. Mike accompanied the Vice President on several foreign trips with one trip around the world. The latter part of his career was spent working for the General Services Administration and for the Environmental Protection Agency. Mike was well known to make friends wherever he went and became a mentor to countless people throughout his life.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 1:30 p.m. on Tuesday, July 12, 2022, at Holy Trinity Catholic Church, located at 8213 Linton Hall Road,

Gainesville, Virginia 20155. Contributions can be made in his name to the American Heart Association (<https://www.heart.org/en/about-us/statements-and-policies/american-heart-association-and-american-stroke-association-linking-policy?form=FUNELYZXFBW>).

# Previous Events

## Mass of Christian Burial

JUL 12. 1:30 PM (ET)

Holy Trinity Catholic Church  
8213 Linton Hall Rd  
Gainesville, VA 20155-2997  
(703) 753-6700

# Tribute Wall

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“ *My prayers go out to the family. I will cherish the memories from the past. May you rest in peace along side of Annette.*

*Judy Podgorny*

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**Judith Podgorny** - July 19, 2022 at 09:42 AM

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“ *Mr. Shamus...I will forever cherish the times we spent together, all of them, even when we were on the floor together..*

*You had so many lives Mike. Everytime your condition would worsen, you would come back ten fold, just like the terminator.*

*The day we took you to the hospital, we made play-doh, planted seeds, and you walked around without your walker. You were like you were 4 years ago. Best day ever!*

*I, of course will always remember playing cards, puzzles, listening to music and watching baseball games. You will be missed more than you can ever know!*

*I will love you forever Mike!*

*Rest in Peace* ❤️

*~Cindy*

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**Cindy May** - July 12, 2022 at 12:14 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Michael J. Shamus Jr..



July 12, 2022 at 10:22 AM



“ Bill Brigman & Family (Megan's co-worker purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Michael J. Shamus Jr..



Bill Brigman & Family (Megan's co-worker - July 11, 2022 at 05:41 PM



“ Mike is one of the most amazing men I've ever met. I enjoyed our talks and playing games and doing puzzles. He will truly be missed. Love you all!!! Dale 💕💕💕

Dale Burke - July 11, 2022 at 12:02 PM



“ Heavenly Grace Spray was purchased for the family of Michael J. Shamus Jr..



July 10, 2022 at 08:42 AM

RC

“ *Ruthie and Jack Cunningham*

*For the fifteen years we have lived here in Heritage Hunt and known Mike, he has been an absolutely wonderful neighbor and a great friend. We always enjoyed trading sports and activities stories about our children and grandchildren. Mike was always kind to us, and often shared his quick wit and humor. We will dearly miss our friend, but we know he will Rest In Peace with his lifelong love Annette.*

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**Ruthie & Jack Cunningham** - July 09, 2022 at 10:36 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Michael J. Shamus Jr..*



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July 08, 2022 at 06:26 PM

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“ *Mike was such a wonderful man. He was quiet but when prompted always had a joke to share with you. He was so proud of his wife, children and grandchildren. He will be missed by everyone who knew him. I am sure he and Annette are together again. Susan and ThanosTheodoropoulos*

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**Susan Theodoropoulos** - July 08, 2022 at 12:20 PM

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“ *Mike was a devoted and loving husband, father and grandfather. He was a treasured. friend, a really wonderful man! We will miss him but we know he is resting peacefully with Annette once again at his side. Jeanne and Bill Naguire*

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**Maguires** - July 08, 2022 at 10:16 AM