



Brian Christopher Minerva

May 25, 1984 - November 12, 2021

Brian Christopher Minerva, 37, devoted husband, father and son of Salisbury lost his battle with kidney disease on Friday, November 12, 2021, at TidalHealth Peninsula Regional in Salisbury.

He was born on May 25, 1984 in Sacramento, California. He was a 2003 graduate of James M. Bennett High School, where he played on the baseball team. Brian became a talented carpenter who worked in construction for Expert House Movers in Sharptown for many years. He could fix anything and loved having projects to accomplish. He and his wife Andrea were married on April 20, 2019, and have since welcomed their son, Benjamin. Spending time with family was such a special part of Brian's life. He was a lifelong, faithful Florida State, Washington Redskins and Nationals fan and was an avid golfer. Cooking and smoking meats were also something Brian was passionate about.

He is survived by his wife, Andrea Lynn Minerva; son, Benjamin Calvin Minerva; mother, Anna Reili Taylor and husband, John Calvin Taylor, III of Salisbury; father, Michael J. Minerva, Jr. and wife Philippa of Washington D.C.; sister, Brittney Minerva Maloney and husband Jeremy of Salisbury; brother, Michael Manuel Minerva of Washington D.C.; niece, Minka Maloney; nephews, Mason Maloney and Evan Clark Barnes; grandfather, Michael J. Minerva, Sr. and wife Jo Anne Smith of Florida and John Calvin Taylor, Jr. and wife Patricia of Salisbury; grandmother, Karen Stanford and wife Dana Farmer of Florida; mother-in-law, Christine Ruffo and husband Tony of Salisbury;

father-in-law, Tommy Evans and wife Debbie of Delaware; sister-in-law, Lauren Evans Barnes and husband Kevin of Mardela Springs; aunts, Elizabeth Anne Minerva of Wichita, Kansas and Heather Kovall and husband Dave of Maplewood, NJ; great uncle, Samuel Mills of Georgia; and his beloved cats, Frank and Blanche.

A visitation for family and friends will be held on Friday, November 19, 2021 from 6 to 8:00 pm at Short Funeral Home in Delmar and on Saturday, November 20th from 10 to 11 am at Wicomico Presbyterian Church, 129 Broad Street, Salisbury, MD 21801. A funeral service will be held on Saturday, November 20, 2021 at 11:00 a.m. at Wicomico Presbyterian Church. Services will be livestreamed via the Facebook and YouTube channels of Wicomico Presbyterian Church. Interment will follow in Johnson Cemetery in Salisbury. In memory of Brian, contributions may be sent to The American Kidney Fund by visiting www.kidneyfund.org to help make a difference in the fight against kidney disease.

Arrangements are in the care of Short Funeral Home in Delmar. Online condolences may be sent to the family by visiting www.shortfh.com.

Cemetery Details

Johnson Family Cemetery

33098 Johnson Road
Salisbury, MD 21804

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV **19**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Short Funeral Home
13 East Grove Street
Delmar, DE 19940
(302) 846-2525
info@shortfh.com

Visitation

NOV **20**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Wicomico Presbyterian Church
129 Broad Street
Salisbury, MD 21801

Funeral Service

NOV **20**. 11:00 AM (ET)

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129 Broad Street
Salisbury, MD 21801

Tribute Wall



“ *Short Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Brian Christopher Minerva*



Short Funeral Home - November 19, 2021 at 09:26 AM



“ *Short Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Brian Christopher Minerva*



Short Funeral Home - November 18, 2021 at 02:18 PM



“ *Brian Christopher Minerva*

January 29, 2023 at 01:28 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Brian Christopher Minerva.



November 19, 2021 at 10:12 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet* was purchased for the family of Brian Christopher Minerva.



November 18, 2021 at 02:49 PM



“ 133 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Short Funeral Home - November 18, 2021 at 01:25 PM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Brian Christopher Minerva.*



November 18, 2021 at 10:39 AM



“ *My heart aches for the Minerva family. I'm a friend and colleague of Mike Minerva. I'm sure Brian was a phenomenal person just like his dad. May the good Lord give you all the strength and support you need during this difficult time.*

Terri Pope - November 17, 2021 at 12:17 PM



“ *Be My Love Bouquet with Red Roses was purchased for the family of Brian Christopher Minerva.*



November 16, 2021 at 03:37 PM



“ *We are so sorry.
Our deepest condolences and prayers for strength go out to Brian's entire family.
Tony & Mary Anne Minerva*

Mary Anne Minerva - November 15, 2021 at 07:24 PM



“ *Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Brian Christopher Minerva.*



November 15, 2021 at 04:32 PM



“ *Brian was always so nice to me. He was courteous and kind. I am sharing in this crushing loss of this young man , husband and father. My heart breaks for his family. Hugs to you Andrea and Ben*

Mary Lynch - November 15, 2021 at 04:03 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Brian Christopher Minerva.*



November 15, 2021 at 12:42 PM



“ *Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased for the family of Brian Christopher Minerva.*



November 15, 2021 at 10:05 AM

JS

“ I am married to Brian's grandfather (Michael J. Minerva.) Anytime I happen to call Brian your grandson to my husband, he would correct me and say "No Brian is OUR Grandson." This is how I feel now that I/we have lost a dear family member.
Brian was such a dear person. He would call ever so often just to talk to his Grandpa.
I truly love Brian and do have memories of his wedding to Andrea in 2019. We will travel from Florida to be there for his departure services from this life to the next.
Jo Anne Smith wife of Michael J. Minerva- Brian's grandparents.

jo anne smith - November 14, 2021 at 05:24 PM

SO

Andrea, I am so sorry for your loss. My heart goes out to you and your family. Susie Orme

Susan Orme - November 16, 2021 at 01:26 AM

ER

Brian was an amazing person. Particularly, I remember his smile and the way he was able to smile with his eyes. The smile that appeared on his face when Mike and I told him we were expecting Mani. Or the smile he had when he held his newborn brother on his forearm, almost exactly to the way he was holding Ben in a picture Mike showed me a few weeks ago. I am grateful for all the many smiles I was able to see on his face, for the many smiles that he put upon Mani's face, and for the joy he instilled in the lives of all of us. I will be holding all these memories of him close to my heart for the rest of my life.

Esperanza Román - November 18, 2021 at 04:18 PM

LI

Brian was an amazing husband to my dear friend Andrea. I was their roommate when they met. I honestly have never met two people so in love and meant for each other. He was her everything, and vice versa. My heart is heavy daily thinking of the memories he will miss. He will always be her favorite love story, and they will always be mine ❤️

Lindsay - November 19, 2021 at 04:46 PM