



## Michael Ray White

January 28, 2021

Michael Ray White “Whitey,” age 72, of Pennsville NJ, passed away peacefully the morning of January 28, 2021, with his daughters by his side, just as he always was for them. Michael was born in Woodbury, NJ on August 17, 1948 to Raymond Thompson White and Marion Mona (Kerchner) White.

Michael was a loving, devoted father to his three daughters, Keeli White, Kailyn White and Kassidy White. He was a devoted brother to his siblings Kathleen Brown (Charles Brown), Raymond White (Heidi Thompson), Kimberly Wislocky (Ken Wislocky), and Karen White (Robert Weber). He was a loving Uncle to Mark Philip Oliver, Jamie Oliver, Kourtney Koeturius Maurizio, Kacie Koeturius Handte, Kyle Wislocky and Karen Wislocky. He was also a godfather to his niece, Karen Wislocky and family friend Heather Ferchetti. He was the greatest “Uncle Mick” to his great-nieces and great-nephew, Kayden Handte, Anthony Handte, Kenzie Handte, and Kamryn Maurizio.

Michael graduated from St. James in 1966 and went on to study Health and Physical Education at West Chester University. He won back to back championships with the Rams football team before graduating in 1970. Michael spent 38 collective years as a teacher, basketball coach, football coach and athletic director at Chester Upland School District where he positively impacted the lives of many students and players. His love for sports,

football in particular, was unmeasurable. He was a foodie who enjoyed gathering with friends and family to have a nice meal or destroy one of us in a card game. He enjoyed taking walks during a blizzard, as he would do with his father, golfing with his friends, and listening to some classic rock and roll. He influenced the life of anyone who had the privilege of knowing him. His memory will live on forever. GO EAGLES!

Services will be held on Thursday, February 4, 2021 at the Sharptown Methodist Church, 3 Chapel Street, Pilesgrove, NJ 08098. There will be a visitation starting at 10 AM leading to the funeral service at 12 Noon. Interment will be private. In lieu of flowers, the family has asked that donations be made in Michael's memory to the American Cancer Society at [www.cancer.org](http://www.cancer.org) or to the American Heart Association at [www.heart.org](http://www.heart.org).

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 4. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Sharptown Methodist Church  
3 Chapel Street  
Pilesgrove, NJ 08098

## Service

FEB 4. 12:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

JR

“ Like Joe, Mike was part of his community, and he made it a better place for having been there. He loved his girls and coached and helped whenever and however he could while they were in school. We taught in the same school at one point, and I will always remember teaching hard that day and on looking to my left--there was Mike in his sneaks, standing just outside my door with his big warm smile. It was the first time I'd seen him since we graduated from SJ, and on that day, he was a sight for sore eyes. Mike was a part of the supercoaching tristate Phila area coaching powerhouse sending athletes to other coaches like Jon Chaney plus more. He brought us many athletes throughout his long coaching career, and his students loved and respected him. Both he and Joe leave large footprints that will be almost impossible to fill certainly not in the same way. RIP guys. I'm sure you're both playing in the same game now.

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**Jeanann Rader** - February 06, 2021 at 12:34 AM

TK

“ I would like to thank my three neices, Keeli, Kailyn and Kassidy for doing such a wonderful job paying tribute to their late father. It was such a beautiful, memorable service that he would be so proud of. And I would also like to acknowledge my daughters, Kourtney and Kacie, for being such a good support for their cousins. I am truly blessed with a beautiful family. Love Uncle Tony and Candy

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**Tony Koeturius** - February 05, 2021 at 08:32 AM

CJ

“ I just watched the video of Mike's life...what a beautiful tribute from three beautiful girls. He was very blessed. RIP Mike.

Carol J

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**Carol Jackson** - February 04, 2021 at 12:23 PM

MG

“ Please accept my sincere thoughts and prayers at this difficult time. Mike and I sat next to each other for 4 years in homeroom at SJHS and I have so many fond memories. Mike was a sweetheart and now he is with his Mom and Dad. Rest in Peace my friend.

Mary Ann Worrell-Grasso

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**Mary Ann Grasso** - February 04, 2021 at 10:12 AM

WM

“ With Love, Stacy and Mike purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Michael Ray White.



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**With Love, Stacy and Mike** - February 04, 2021 at 12:44 AM

SP

“ I remember Mike from High School. He sat behind me in Spanish Class and we were always getting in trouble. I still say it was his fault. He was tall and blonde with an easy smile and quick to choke. Being a cheerleader I got to see him play football and basketball. Always joking. The world is a little sadder and less bright without him.

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**Sharon Zeno Pedrick** - February 03, 2021 at 11:59 PM

JN

“ *Josephine And Barry Nagelberg lit a candle in memory of Michael Ray White*



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**Josephine and Barry Nagelberg** - February 03, 2021 at 10:46 PM

JN

“ *Sending our deepest sympathy to Michael's family, to Kim, Ken, Kyle and Karen Wislocky.*

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**Josephine and Barry Nagelberg** - February 03, 2021 at 10:45 PM

PG

“ *I'll miss Mike's cynicism and trading barbs with that cantankerous personality of his. Mike was fun to golf with and had a deadly jump shot. Honest and empathetic, he was a real man. Pete*

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**pete gaidis** - February 03, 2021 at 02:52 PM

C1

“ *Chester High School Class of 1984 purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Michael Ray White.*



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**Chester High School Class of 1984** - February 03, 2021 at 07:50 AM

LM

“ Love Derrick and Darrall Mosley purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Michael Ray White.



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**Love Derrick and Darrall Mosley** - February 03, 2021 at 07:46 AM

WD

“ went to high school with mike and spoke to him at the last reunion gone to soon

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**william A DiNicola** - February 02, 2021 at 06:23 PM

FV

“ My sincere condolences to Kathy, his daughters, and Ray, Karen and Kim. I have fond and fun memories of Mike from high school. SJHS '66 has lost another Spartan. I hope Joe and Mike are sharing some laughs again.  
Fran Visalli

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**Fran Visalli** - February 02, 2021 at 01:26 AM

LW

“ To the family of Mike White,

*Larry White and brother Jonny send our condolences to the White family on the passing of Mike. I remember him as this larger than life 12 year old Little League giant when I was this 8 year old peep squeak.*

*Kathy, Ray, Karen and Kim.my heart goes out to you and your families.*

*Sincerely,  
Larry White*

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**Larry White** - February 01, 2021 at 05:21 PM

MH

“ *Spent many hours at the poker table with Mike, most of them losing hours. He will be greatly missed. He will set a new standard in heaven in their poker games. God Bless, R I P. Mike.*

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**Melvin Humphreys** - February 01, 2021 at 03:07 PM

WG

“ *I owe all of my success as a fullback to Coach White. I owe even more to him for my success as a man. He was hard but trustworthy, abrasive but joyful in his approach to molding young men in preparation for this cold world. My deepest prayers and condolences to his family during this most difficult time.  
“Truck” Chester Clippers Football #10*

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**wayne gibbs** - February 01, 2021 at 10:50 AM

AM

“ Sincere condolences to the family of Michal White. I was a student of Mr White's in the CUSD. RIP!

*Angela Mitchell-Williams*

Angela Mitchell-Williams - February 01, 2021 at 09:39 AM

BB

“ Spent 8 years teaching with Mike . Great guy and a lot of fun. RIP Mike.

Bill Burland - February 01, 2021 at 08:32 AM

BN

“ Sending my deepest sympathy to Michael's family. I knew him well, "back in the day." He was definitely a wonderful, caring man. Love to our mutual nephews, Jamie & Phil Oliver.

Becky ( Oliver) Neu - February 01, 2021 at 08:31 AM

KP

*Sending my condolences to the family of Michael and his family. Karen Powell Co-worker Chester High School*

Karen Celeste Powell - February 01, 2021 at 05:20 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Michael Ray White.



February 01, 2021 at 02:32 AM

MB

“ Really the best! He was one of a kind, loyal and thoughtful, but a very cantankerous card player! I spent many hours around him and never grew tired of his company. I'll miss him terribly and know he's holding court in heaven.

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**michael binder** - January 31, 2021 at 08:51 PM