



## Michael Procopio

September 24, 1965 - November 29, 2012

Michael James Procopio, 47, of Roswell, Georgia and formerly of Wildwood, New Jersey passed away on Nov. 29, 2012. A resident of New Jersey until 1993, he earned both a bachelor's and master's degree from East Stroudsburg University. He was an avid Washington Redskins fan and a history buff with a strong interest in politics. Model trains and going all out with holiday decorations were his favorite hobbies. Survived by his devoted partner of 17 years, Jay Royce; their daughters, Serenity Royce of Cameron, Oklahoma and Sunday Royce of Fort Smith, Arkansas; one granddaughter, Cheyenne Moore; his parents, Helen and Fred Procopio of Manahawkin, NJ; his three brothers, Fred (Debbie) of Oakland, NJ; John (Debbie) of Stroudsburg, PA and Tom (Joanne) of Manahawkin, NJ; his brother-in-law, Gene Radka of Fort Myers Beach, FL; and many nieces and nephews. He will be greatly missed by his beloved pugs Scooter and Tino. Michael was preceded in death by his sister, Peggy Ann Radka and nephew, Christian Procopio. Arrangements are being handled by Northside Chapel of Roswell, GA with a memorial service to be announced at a later date.

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M Procopio.

# Cemetery Details

## **Sikorski Funeral Home**

3630 West George Street  
Chicago, IL

# Tribute Wall



“ *Michael Procopio*

October 08, 2022 at 11:37 AM



“ *Mike was my roommate at East Stroudsburg University in 1983 and 1984. He ate so much pizza that I still to this day cannot hardly eat a slice. I am shocked and saddened to learn that I lost a good friend.##imported-begin##Wayne P. Urbine, F.D.##imported-end##*

August 21, 2013 at 06:29 PM



“ *Jay, I am truly sorry for your lost and I will keep you and your family in my daily prayers. I know how much you truly loved and adored Mike. Stay strong and know that I am here for you whatever you need.*

*Be blessed,*

*Sharon##imported-begin##Sharon Hill##imported-end##*

December 14, 2012 at 03:17 PM



“ *I was so sorry to hear about Mike. My deepest sympathy goes out to all of Mike's family and friends.##imported-begin##Carol Spillman##imported-end##*

December 10, 2012 at 07:06 PM



“ *Mikey was a wonderful person with a warm heart and a big smile. We had many great times at Roaster's and on our trip to Italy a few years back. No matter what was going on, he always greeted me with a smile and a hug. He will be missed.##imported-begin##Todd Harrington##imported-end##*

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December 06, 2012 at 11:09 AM



“ *So sorry for such a great loss... Many prayers for you all during this time... Love you all...##imported-begin##Tracey Briscoe##imported-end##*

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December 03, 2012 at 11:39 PM



“ *Jay and Family,*

*My prayers are with you and all of your family at this time. I hope that peace will come to all of you soon with the loss of someone so special as Mike was. May he rest in peace.*

*God bless to all - J##imported-begin##Jay Miller##imported-end##*

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December 03, 2012 at 07:45 PM



“ *I am so saddened to hear of Mike's passing. When I started work at EOSC, Mike's office was next door to mine and he made me laugh until I cried almost daily. Such a wonderful, sweet, funny and kind man. The world will be a sadder place with him gone. Heart felt prayers and condolences to Jay and family.##imported-begin##Vicki Prevatte##imported-end##*

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December 03, 2012 at 05:05 PM



“ We were saddened to learn of Mike's passing. He was a wonderful neighbor who was always willing to lend a helping hand. We enjoyed his great sense of humor and wit. We will miss talking with him about his beloved dog, his family, cooking and gardening. May he rest in peace.##imported-begin##Diane##imported-end##

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December 03, 2012 at 03:40 PM



“ My thoughts and prayers are sincerely with you and your family.  
  
Nona##imported-begin##Nona Taylor##imported-end##

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December 03, 2012 at 02:53 PM



“ His smile is what I will remember most. That sweet, adorable smile is imprinted on thousands of memories I have of Mikey from our 20-year friendship. We saw his smile nearly constantly on a trip to Italy a few years ago. As John Bettis said above, Mikey was definitely in his element there – probably it was a combination of the food, the setting, being with Jay and his friends, maybe even the feeling of an ancestral connection. Whatever it was, he was ecstatic (and he kept smiling even after a bum foot forced his unexpected trip to an Italian hospital). I remember as we were driving back to the Rome airport from the tiny Tuscan village where we had stayed, I was at the wheel, Mikey in the front seat, Jay and Todd squeezed into the back of the tiny European car. It was early morning, still dark, as we were driving along narrow, winding country roads, when a humungous porcupine planted itself in the center of the road and stopped us in a split-second. I don’t remember who shrieked the loudest, Mikey or me. But as that animal sauntered off into the brush, Mikey uttered, “Holy (bleep), that thing was huge. I mean huge. Huge!” We started laughing and didn’t stop for hours, Mikey still talking about how big that porcupine was. We laughed about that scene for years.

Even when Mikey probably didn’t feel like laughing, he’d still flash that smile. It brightened whatever room he was in and whoever was in his presence. It was a smile that never let you forget how truly gentle, generous and caring Mikey was. Rest in peace, dear friend.##imported-begin##Anthony Surratt##imported-end##

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December 03, 2012 at 11:33 AM



“ Michael I only knew you through all the great things I heard through Jay who is a dear man and friend. I pray that you are at peace, and happy, and that your loved ones can be at peace and find strength in each other to go on without your physical presence. Much Love to your family Jay, to Michael's family, and I am here, even across the miles.##imported-begin##Susie Diamond##imported-end##

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December 03, 2012 at 10:23 AM



“ Mikey - it was a pleasure to have known you. I will never forget our trips to Vegas. You always seemed to be winning whereas I should have just handed them my money while checking in. Thanks for the laughs. Thanks for the memories. You will be missed.##imported-begin##Keith Mattioli##imported-end##

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December 03, 2012 at 12:03 AM



“ I have not seen Mikey in probably 15 years but I remember him fondly. Though I have never met Jay or anyone else in Mike's family, I felt compelled to leave this message because I have always thought so very highly of Mike. He was one of those people you just couldn't help but feel good around. I remember we were eating cheese together once and Mike said, "Gouda...is goood-ah." To this day I can't eat Gouda cheese without thinking of him with a smile. My heart breaks for Jay and everyone else who was blessed to have Mike in their lives. And to Mike, wherever you are, please know that you brought joy to so many during your time with us. With love, Stephanie Weaver##imported-begin##Stephanie (Geeter) Weaver##imported-end##

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December 02, 2012 at 10:10 PM



“ So sorry to hear of Mike's passing. I am grateful to have worked with Mike and to have known him as a lovable person. Always smiling and sharing pug stories with me. RIP Mikey!###imported-begin##Betty Scott###imported-end##

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December 02, 2012 at 10:06 PM



“ No words can express the sadness that fills my heart for you and your family. Please know that you are all in my thoughts and prayers during this time. If you need anything, please don't hesitate to ask. Sending much love and prayers your way.###imported-begin##Meredith Burch###imported-end##

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December 02, 2012 at 07:28 PM



“ I know there are no words for your great loss, I want you to know that I am here for you when you need a friend to just to listen.

*Matthew 5:4 “Blessed are they that mourn: for they shall be comforted.”###imported-begin##Jennifer Sosebee###imported-end##*

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December 02, 2012 at 01:34 PM



“ Shocked and saddened to hear. My thoughts and prayers. Mike was a former roommate and dear friend. May you rest in peace Brother.###imported-begin##Ron Puco###imported-end##

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December 02, 2012 at 12:23 PM



“ *Very sorry to hear of Mike's passing. My thoughts and prayers are with you and yours.##imported-begin##Michael King##imported-end##*

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December 02, 2012 at 12:10 PM



“ *Mikey, you've broken my heart. I know that I've been away from ATL, for 15 years now...but we always kept in touch, through visits and FB. I will always love you bro. Your laugh still rings in my ears. Your crazy, rabid devotion to the Redskins, including car mats....cracked me up.....I do not know what happened....and feel like i failed you! Love you always Mikey!##imported-begin##Greg Slonecker##imported-end##*

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December 01, 2012 at 10:48 PM



“ *We knew Mike through our ESU days and reconnected years later through Facebook.*

*We will remember his ever present smile and wit.*

*Our prayers are with you all.##imported-begin##Sandy & Pat Ryan##imported-end##*

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December 01, 2012 at 09:34 PM



“ *Mikey, it was always a pleasure, spending time with you at the beach. You'll be missed.##imported-begin##Clifford Beach##imported-end##*

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December 01, 2012 at 07:16 PM



“ Mikey - It was always so nice to have another Jersey boy on our beach and blackjack adventures. I'll miss your smile and will always remember the love you and Jay shared. All my love.##imported-begin##Tyler Himes##imported-end##

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December 01, 2012 at 06:45 PM



“ Hearts & Prayers go out to the entire Family on the loss of their loved one Mike he will be sadly missed by all.##imported-begin##Tony & Alice Mendyk##imported-end##

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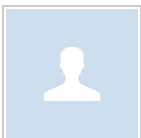
December 01, 2012 at 06:42 PM



“ I met Michael at a friend's birthday party several years ago. He was unmistakably personable and intelligent. Although I did not have the pleasure of knowing Michael well, the authentic expressions of love and sadness by our mutual friends is a testament to his life and the indelible mark that will be carried in everyone's hearts forever. Jay - my thoughts are with you, all of your friends and family. Please accept my most heartfelt condolences.##imported-begin##Bryan Miller##imported-end##

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December 01, 2012 at 06:18 PM



“ I am blessed to have known Mikey and his dry humor. His blog during the election season kept me grounded and informed. He will be truly missed.##imported-begin##Rob Thompson##imported-end##

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December 01, 2012 at 05:59 PM



“ I went to school with Michael and he was a good friend at CRHS in Seabrook, NJ. I pray he has found God's grace and we will meet again. I pray for the family in their time of need. Dear Lord, please embrace Michael as he enters the gates of heaven and embrace the family as they lay him to rest. AMEN###imported-begin###L Catherine Andrews-Miller###imported-end###

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December 01, 2012 at 05:07 PM



“ So sorry for your loss. Thoughts and prayers are with you###imported-begin###Elizabeth Thompson###imported-end###

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December 01, 2012 at 03:53 PM



“ Mikey and I were roommates for about 3 years. He will be so sorely missed. I'll never forget his laugh and dry sense of humor. All my thoughts and prayers are with Mikey and his loved ones.

Ron###imported-begin###Ron Schlumper###imported-end###

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December 01, 2012 at 03:10 PM



“ *My dear friend, Mikey –  
I will miss your contagious laugh and big smile. I will miss your warmth, your caring, and your generosity. I will miss our fun times together over almost twenty years. But I will have lasting, wonderful memories of you during our trip to Italy in 2006, where you were undoubtedly in your element! I wish we could have gone back there with you. I will always remember fun Halloween parties with you and Jay; trips to Vegas and Pensacola Beach; dinners at Sundown Café, and just simple moments spent together. Mikey, I hope that you have found everlasting peace. You were a great friend - a talented and gifted person, loved by many. The world is a better place for having you briefly with us. I love you, Mikey!*  
*Your friend forever,*  
*John##imported-begin##John Bettis##imported-end##*

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December 01, 2012 at 02:32 PM



“ Mike (aka Mikey to me) you were one of the closest friends of my life- a friendship of over 20 years. We shared a lot of life together, a lot of growing up together, and many good times. Our trips to Vegas and our trip to Italy are filled with memories and stories that I will always cherish. Your sense of humor and excellent use of sarcasm kept me laughing. Your deep felt beliefs about many topics, especially politics, always had me thinking. Mikey, your passing has left a hole in my heart, but I will do my best to fill it with my love and memories for you. Thank you for being my friend Mikey, thank you for making me laugh, for making me think, and for touching my life. You were a true friend. I will miss you deeply, and I will always love you. Rest in Peace my beautiful Mikey.

Helen (Mamasan)- my heart aches for you, and I wish I could hug you with the longest, strongest hug to give you strength and love.

Jay- you know we are here for you and that we love you.##imported-begin##Richard Bondurant##imported-end##

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December 01, 2012 at 02:27 PM