



Mr. Josh Carpenter

October 21, 1999 - August 21, 2024

Joshua David Carpenter, known by all as “Josh”, took his life on August 21, 2024 in Pensacola, FL at 24 years old. He served in the United States Navy as a Lieutenant (Junior Grade), while training as a student Naval Aviator specializing in helicopters. Josh struggled with depression, keeping it hidden from both family and friends until he mentioned it in a note written just before his passing.

Born and raised in Arlington Heights, IL, on October 21, 1999, Josh was known for his sincerity, strong intellect, and impish smile. Despite his quiet and reserved demeanor, Josh had a sidesplitting sense of humor which would often come out in family gatherings or amongst friends. Throughout his life, Josh was athletic, competing in water polo, baseball, volleyball and other sports before continuing his physical training in the Navy. He was academically brilliant, able to grasp difficult math problems quickly and communicate them clearly. Josh was self-disciplined, consistently punctual, and highly organized all while having a strong work ethic. He had an eye for precision in everything from craftsmanship to cooking and barbecue. He had a lifelong love for trains, airplanes, and Opus, the family dog.

Josh had joy in serving others. Growing up, he attended Willow Creek Community Church with his family and volunteered in several ministries there. As a high school student, he participated in mission trips to the Dominican

Republic and Cambodia, and would later return to Cambodia on another trip while in college. Apart from ministry and international trips, Josh enjoyed serving others on a personal level. Whether it was sharing class notes, moving someone's possessions from one place to another, or navigating complicated card games, Josh was known for helping others in a pinch.

Josh was a quick learner and excelled in school. He attended Rolling Meadows High School, where he was heavily involved in water polo, the math team, and the robotics program. He also joined NJROTC, where he developed a deep admiration for the structure, training, and career potential it offered him. Upon graduating high school in 2018, he took this desire to the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign, where he joined the NROTC program on a full Navy ROTC scholarship. In 2022, Josh graduated with a Bachelor's degree in Mechanical Engineering, and was commissioned as a Naval officer. He began his flight training just two months later.

All who knew and loved Josh are welcome at the visitation and the funeral.

Josh is survived by his parents David and Darlene Carpenter, brother Daniel Carpenter, the beloved family dog Opus, Grandparents Carol Listhartke and Earl and Arlene Carpenter as well as multiple aunts, uncles, great aunts and uncles, and cousins. Josh was preceded in death by his Grandpa Wayne Listhartke and Uncle Derek Listhartke.

Visitation will be held on Thursday, September 12, 2024 from 3:00 to 8:00 P.M. at Morizzo Funeral Home, 2550 West Hassell Rd., (Northeast corner of Barrington Rd.), Hoffman Estates, IL. 60169. Family and Friends will meet Friday, September 13, 2024 for a funeral service that will begin 10:00 A.M. at Willow Creek Community Church, in Chapel (Bldg. B), 67 East Algonquin Road, South Barrington, Illinois, 60010. If you are unfamiliar with Willow Creek Church, please [CLICK HERE](https://www.morizzofuneralhome.com/obituarie)

s/Josh-Carpenter/#!/PhotosVideos/ea58767a-e554-48d5-9256-1a8548dfd300) to look at a map of where you should park. Burial will be private for the immediate family.

In lieu of flowers, please make a donation to either Mission Aviation Fellowship (<https://give.maf.org/s/>) or The NROTC Program (<https://giving.illinois.edu/>)

The family has created this Life Tributes page to make it easy to share your memories, photos, and videos. For those of you that would have attended services and would like to express your condolences please click on the "Share A Memory" link above and you can leave a message. If you wish to send a Sympathy Card, please feel free to send it to Morizzo Funeral Home, 2550 Hassell Road, Hoffman Estates, Illinois, 60169 c/o the Family; we will gladly forward it on to the family.

For further information please contact the Morizzo Funeral Directors at 847.752.6444. Arrangements entrusted to Morizzo Funeral Home and Cremation Services, at 2550 West Hassell Road, (Northeast corner at Barrington Road), Hoffman Estates, Illinois 60169.

Cemetery Details

Fort Sheridan National Cemetery in Fort Sheridan Illinois

Vatner Road, Fort Sheridan, IL 60037
(224) 610-7296
Fort Sheridan, IL 60037
<https://www.cem.va.gov/cems/nchp/FtSheridan.asp>

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 12. 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Morizzo Family Funeral Home, Cremation Services, and Cemetery Memorials
2550 Hassell Road
Hoffman Estates, IL 60169
(847) 752-6444
ross@morizzofuneralhome.com
<https://www.morizzofuneralhome.com>

Funeral Service

SEP 13. 10:00 AM (CT)

Willow Creek Community Church in South Barrington
67 Algonquin Road
South Barrington, IL 60010
(847) 765-5000
<http://www.willowcreek.org/>

Tribute Wall



“ *Morizzo Funeral Home & Cremation Services created a Webcast in memory of Mr. Josh Carpenter*



Morizzo Funeral Home & Cremation Services - September 05, 2024 at 09:20 PM

FM

“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



Francisco Malafaia - September 13, 2024 at 02:01 AM

FM

“ *Josh was always ready to server and to participate on any Rolling Meadows HG activities!
What an awesome kid!
My sincere condolences to the Carpenter family!*



Francisco Malafaia - September 13, 2024 at 01:25 AM

LS

“ Hi Dave, So sorry to hear about Josh. Wishing you and the family well in this most difficult time. Regards, Les Sandelman

Les Sandelman - September 12, 2024 at 11:17 AM

ML

“ Mission Church Legacy purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Mr. Josh Carpenter.



Mission Church Legacy - September 12, 2024 at 07:54 AM

FG

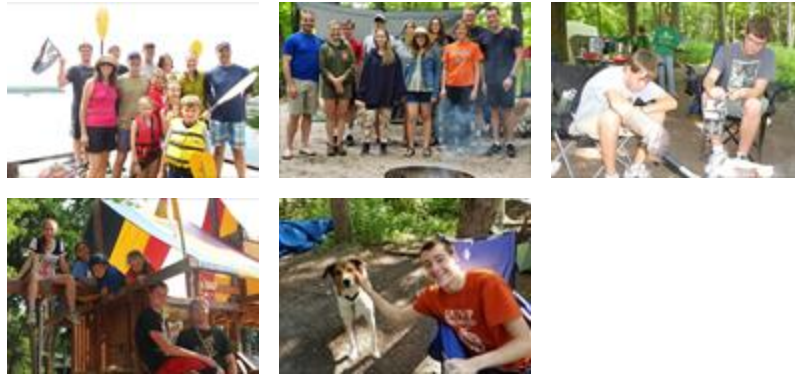
“ From, Andrew Gould purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Mr. Josh Carpenter.



From, Andrew Gould - September 11, 2024 at 10:07 PM

AM

“ Favorite memory was camping with Josh and his family and watching him grow into a great young man, watching him pursue his dreams of flying and just having fun with him in Door County. We will miss him very much and we really cherished the time we had with him and the blessing of knowing him and being part of his life!
~ The Millers



Abe Miller - September 11, 2024 at 06:55 PM

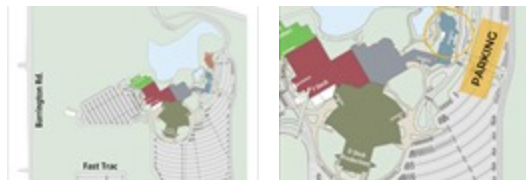
RR

“ Rosemary R. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Josh Carpenter.

Rosemary R. - September 11, 2024 at 04:34 PM

MH

“ 2 files added to the album Willow Creek Map



Morizzo Funeral Home - September 11, 2024 at 02:29 PM

FL

“ From the Delfinos and Listhartkes purchased the Sacred Duty Spray for the family of Mr. Josh Carpenter.



From the Delfinos and Listhartkes - September 11, 2024 at 02:25 PM

FL

“ From the Delfinos and Listhartkes planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Josh Carpenter.

From the Delfinos and Listhartkes - September 11, 2024 at 02:25 PM

TJ

“ Thomas Jordan planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Josh Carpenter.

Thomas Jordan - September 11, 2024 at 01:58 PM

TJ

“ Thomas Jordan purchased the Simply Elegant S pathiphyllum for the family of Mr. Josh Carpenter.



Thomas Jordan - September 11, 2024 at 01:58 PM



“ 166 files added to the album *LifeTributes*



Morizzo Funeral Home & Cremation Services - September 11, 2024 at 12:51 PM

ML

“ *Mission Legacy purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Mr. Josh Carpenter.*



Mission Legacy - September 10, 2024 at 02:07 PM

FF

“ *From the entire Hanson family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Josh Carpenter.*

From the entire Hanson family - September 10, 2024 at 07:24 AM



“ *Serene Reflections Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mr. Josh Carpenter.* ”



September 10, 2024 at 07:24 AM



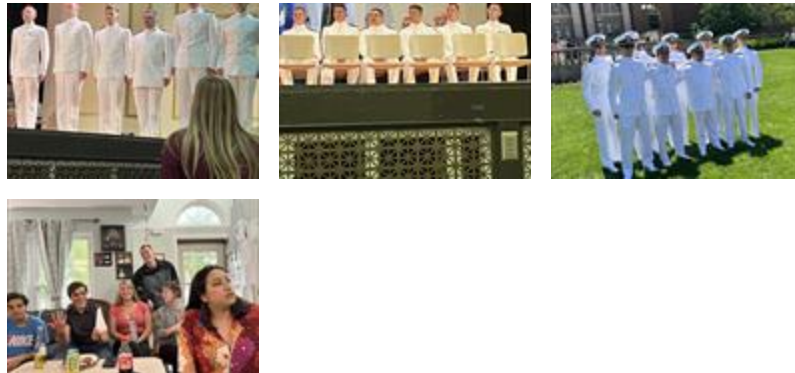
“ *3 files added to the tribute wall* ”



Brandon Bulat - September 09, 2024 at 11:45 PM



“ *The Colin family has known Josh since his sophomore year at U of I when he was Andrew's room mate until May of this year. A brilliant and beautiful young man* ”



Sharon Colin - September 08, 2024 at 10:42 PM

DC

Thank you Sharon for sharing your photos and your kindness. Josh had nothing but respect and good things to say about his friends and roommates. Andrew was such a good friend to him!

Darlene Carpenter - September 11, 2024 at 03:07 PM

MM

“*Josh was a bright light on our Ops volunteer team for the Elevate junior high ministry back in the day. I'll always remember his kind, servant-hearted spirit. ❤️*



Mary Mayo - September 08, 2024 at 01:48 PM

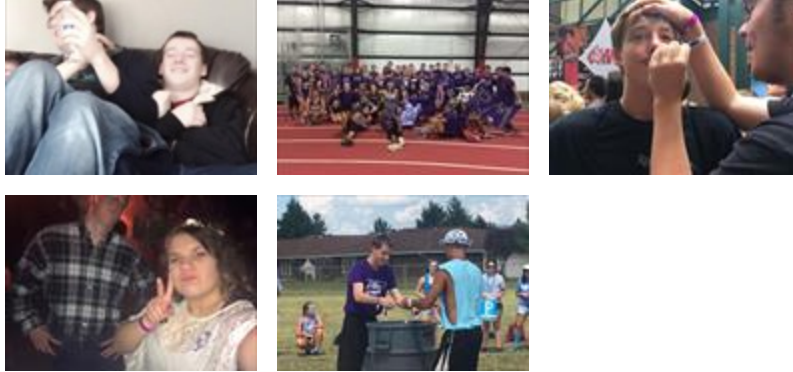
DC

Thank you!❤️

Darlene Carpenter - September 10, 2024 at 01:45 PM

Miranda
Randel

“ Josh was such an amazing person and friend. He was always such a happy person and always there for others. Josh you are so beyond loved and you touch the lives of so many. We'll miss you so much.



Miranda Randel - September 08, 2024 at 12:32 PM

DC

Miranda, thank you so much for sharing these photos and your sentiments. It means so very much to us! Big hug to you my friend.

Darlene Carpenter - September 11, 2024 at 03:05 PM

RB

“ Robert, John & Anita Bene' Brewer purchased the Basket Full of Wishes for the family of Mr. Josh Carpenter.



Robert, John & Anita Bene' Brewer - September 07, 2024 at 08:15 PM

ST

“ Dear Darlene and David, I am so sorry for this deep loss of your son. There are not words. The memory I have is the experience that you, David had with the seniors and I think having their dads there with words and letters given. Was Josh in that group. Love to you both. May the Lord comfort you and enfold you in comfort with the presence of His spirit. Love to you both, Sibyl Towner

Sibyl Towner - September 07, 2024 at 05:58 PM

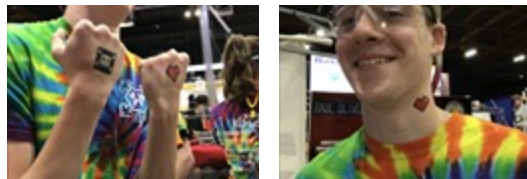
DC

Thank you Sibyl. Josh was not in Dave's group. Josh was part of the Rolling Meadows house group. Dave served in Prospect. Love to you as well Sibyl, Darlene

Darlene Carpenter - September 11, 2024 at 03:02 PM



“ I was on Robotics with Josh back in high school, and he always was such an awesome guy all around, smart, caring, and genuinely a great guy to be around overall. This is a memory I have with him when we got some temporary tattoos & tried to have some fun with them!



Brandon Bulat - September 06, 2024 at 11:23 PM

DC

Thank you for sharing these photos Brandon, love hearing this story!

Darlene Carpenter - September 11, 2024 at 03:03 PM



“ *Magnificent Life Spray was purchased for the family of Mr. Josh Carpenter.*



September 06, 2024 at 01:59 PM



“ *Here’s a picture of Josh after finishing his first solo flight on a T6 aircraft, and a picture of him in a helicopter simulator with his instructor. He loved to fly.*



David Carpenter - September 06, 2024 at 10:51 AM



“ *Josh asked me to help him move back to Pensacola from Corpus Christi back in May. Fully capable of moving himself I felt truly honored that he would ask if I would be with him on that 13 Hour road trip. I will cherish that memory.*



David Carpenter - September 06, 2024 at 10:34 AM

FF

“ From the Martinez Family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Mr. Josh Carpenter.



From the Martinez Family - September 05, 2024 at 11:38 PM

AF

“ Andrew and the Colin family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Josh Carpenter.

Andrew and the Colin family - September 05, 2024 at 08:28 PM

AF

“ Andrew and the Colin family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mr. Josh Carpenter.



Andrew and the Colin family - September 05, 2024 at 08:28 PM