



Philip Thomas Heisel

December 4, 1986 - June 1, 2021

“What you leave behind is not what is engraved in stone monuments, but what is woven in the lives of others”

Philip Thomas Heisel passed away on Tuesday, June 1st 2021 following an accident resulting in a severe head injury. His family is thankful that Philip passed away peacefully with his wife, Anika, by his side, and that he was able to be an organ donor, giving life and hope to other families.

Born in Orlando, FL in 1986, Philip grew up in the Blue Ridge Mountains of Virginia. He preferred being outdoors and spent much of his youth as both a player and referee for local and travel soccer leagues. Philip was also well known for his sense of humor and love of adventure; he enjoyed jumping on his motorcycle for a beautiful afternoon drive or meticulously planning an exploratory vacation in another city or country.

Philip met Anika in Virginia and they graduated from the University of Virginia Tech in 2009: Philip was enthusiastic about the field of construction and engineering (even serving on the Board of Directors for the International Concrete Repair Institute for several years), and eagerly accepted a structural engineering position in 2010, moving the couple to Maryland just a few days after their wedding. When their son, Gavin, later joined the family Philip often joked about adding a side-car to his motorcycle to ensure Gavin could join in

on the family adventures.

In addition to Anika and Gavin, Philip is survived by his parents, Mark and Odile, and his brother and sister-in-law, Marc and Bri. A celebration of life service will be held at Mosaic Christian Church (6845 Deerpath Rd, Elkridge, MD 21075) on June 25th at 10:00 am.

For those so inclined, in lieu of flowers the family has created a GoFundMe page (<https://gofund.me/1eeb5df4>) to assist with the medical and moving costs associated with Philip's passing.

Tribute Wall

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“ *Philip Thomas Heisel*

Kyle Neubauer - June 25, 2021 at 09:02 AM

DP

“ *My most fond memory of Phil is, of a ride we took into D.C., when he was about fourteen. We were down from NH for a visit and Phil came with his aunt, myself, and his two younger cousins. We laughed the whole way in, heading to see the museums and sights. As one. Phil's departure reminds me and puts things back into perspective. There are things we think are important on a day-to-day basis and there is that which really is important. Semper animus.*

Dan Proctor - June 12, 2021 at 09:07 PM

JH

“ *May you be comforted by the outpouring of love surrounding you. We will always remember open-hearted Philip.*

Judy & Eileen Heisel-Best - June 11, 2021 at 08:31 PM

RS

“ *I won't forgot the day of Anika and Phil's wedding waiting for the ceremony to start. It was so hot and Phil was struggling in his tux so another college roomie and I found all the ice cold water bottles we could and held them around his neck. Al the whole he could not stop smiling because he was so thrilled to marrying Anika. I'll never forget the joy he could bring with one smile and I can't still hear his "Hiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiii" May his memory be a blessing to all who knew him.*

Rachel Sherman - June 09, 2021 at 07:17 PM

ML

“ *Enjoyed having Phil in our home many times while he was in high school with our son. The joke was always that I better go to the store for more milk and cheese as Phil was coming over. Loved his smile and sense of humor. He was one of those kids you want your kids to hang around with. He will be missed.* 🙏🙏

Michael Life - June 09, 2021 at 06:56 PM