



## Michael S. Connelly II

August 28, 1984 - May 8, 2023

Michael S. Connelly, II, 38 of Conestoga died unexpectedly Monday evening at his home. Born in Lancaster on August 28, 1984, he was the only son of Michael S. and Wanda J. Hauer Connelly.

Michael graduated from Penn Manor High School in 2002. While in school, he enjoyed playing football, volleyball, soccer, baseball and track. He furthered his education at Penn State where he received degrees in Business and Marketing, often making the dean's list. An entrepreneur, Michael enjoyed having his own business, Eastern Shore Fishing, Tackle and Outfitters. He enjoyed designing and maintaining websites and online sales. He was a professional multi-tasker.

Michael's mission was to help others without expecting anything in return. He was a compassionate man who was very loved by his family and friends. He enjoyed boating and fishing with his dad on the Indian River Inlet in Delaware and working side by side with his mom.

Michael's passion "to serve" showed in the many fire departments that he was associated with. As a young man he began his fire service career with the Conestoga Township Fire Company and while in college, he associated himself with the Progress Fire Company. He also served with Lancaster Township Fire Company where he received the Keith Rankin Service Award.

He was currently a firefighter and assistant training officer with Conestoga. Michael also served as a Deputy Constable.

An avid outdoorsman, Michael loved hunting, fishing and boating. He enjoyed shooting pool and his big boy toys. He attended LCBC. His most recent enjoyment was being with his English Labrador pup, Taylor Jean.

Michael will be deeply missed by his parents, Mike and Wanda of Conestoga; his girlfriend, Pamela Vasserman of Jenkintown; maternal grandparents, Merlin and Betty Hauer of Conestoga and paternal grandmother, Elaine Connelly, also of Conestoga. Michael was loved by his uncles, David Hauer, Donald L., husband of Christina Connelly and Douglas B., husband of Bobbe Connelly, all of Conestoga and his aunt, Kim Connelly of Conestoga. His Cousins were his first friends, Shannon, Kristi, Corina, Logan, Kayla, Matthew, Ryan, Kim and Michelle. Michael was preceded in death by his paternal grandfather, Donald L. Connelly and his uncle, Steven E. Connelly.

Family and friends are respectfully invited to attend Michael's funeral service on Wednesday, May 17, 2023 at 2PM from the Conestoga Township Fire Company, 3290 Main Street, Conestoga with Pastor Bobby Parschauer officiating. Friends will be received at the Fire Company on Wednesday from Noon until 2PM. Many fire companies and fire fighters will be present to honor their fellow comrade. Interment will be held in the Conestoga United Methodist Cemetery. Please omit flowers, memorial remembrances may be made in Michael's memory to the Conestoga Fire Company.

# Cemetery Details

## Conestoga UM Church Cemetery

71 Sand Hill Road  
Conestoga, PA 17516

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY 17. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Conestoga Township Fire Company  
3290 Main Street  
Conestoga, PA 17516

## Funeral Service

MAY 17. 2:00 PM (ET)

Conestoga Township Fire Company  
3290 Main Street  
Conestoga, PA 17516

## Graveside Service

MAY 17. 3:00 PM (ET)

Conestoga UM Church Cemetery  
71 Sand Hill Road  
Conestoga, PA 17516



# Tribute Wall



“ *Michael S. Connelly II*

October 22, 2023 at 10:35 PM



“ *Michael S. Connelly II*

October 06, 2023 at 08:29 AM



“ *Michael S. Connelly II*

October 05, 2023 at 11:43 PM



“ *I watched Mike grow up, surrounded by friends and he was always the happy, considerate guy that put a smile on every face in the room. He will always have a special place in my heart as “one of my boys”. Wanda and Mike, may God give you comfort and strength in the days ahead. Michael was truly loved by so many people. Diane McGuigan*

**Diane McGuigan** - May 17, 2023 at 06:53 AM



“ *Mike and Wanda, I am so terribly sorry for your loss. I didn't know Michael Jr. well, but I heard some fun stories from Jeff. May God be with you and your family.-Lori Secord*

**Lori Ann Secord** - May 16, 2023 at 03:39 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Michael S. Connolly II.*



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May 15, 2023 at 08:42 PM



“ *Condolences to Wanda and Family. May you somehow find Peace and Strength to get through this. Prayers are with you.*

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**Donna Musser** - May 15, 2023 at 12:36 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Michael S. Connolly II.*



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May 15, 2023 at 12:05 PM



“ *Melissa VandenBerg lit a candle in memory of Michael S. Connolly II*



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**Melissa vandenBerg** - May 15, 2023 at 08:52 AM

MV

“ I am in shock to hear about Mike's passing. I've been friends with him since 1999. He was a year older than me in high school and was one of the first friends I made when I got to high school. He always had a kind thing to say and a smile on his face. I've been impressed over the years by his many adventures and loved seeing him succeed. I always knew he would. My thoughts and prayers are with you all as you go through this rough time. I will miss my friend. Until I see him again...

~ Melissa (Pohlman) vandenBerg, Penn manor class of 2003.

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**Melissa vandenBerg** - May 15, 2023 at 08:51 AM



“ Love's Journey was purchased for the family of Michael S. Connelly II.



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May 14, 2023 at 08:47 PM

MK

“ Wanda,  
I am so sorry. May your son's memory be eternal.

Old coworker Fulton bank  
Melissa Keares

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**Melissa M Keares** - May 14, 2023 at 08:55 AM

GL

I am so sorry to hear about Mike, he was an awesome guy ,Your loss is unimaginable prayers for your family.

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**Gail Lynch** - May 15, 2023 at 07:45 AM

CF

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you. With Love, The Brubaker family*

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**Chrissi Fair** - May 14, 2023 at 07:50 AM

LC

“ *Mike was truly a special person who would do anything for anyone. My husband and I had the pleasure of getting to know Mike over a decade ago and count ourselves fortunate to have met him. He will certainly be missed. RIP Mikey.*

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**Lisa & Michael Collins** - May 13, 2023 at 09:16 PM

SO

“ *My prayers and sympathy to the whole family. Mike was a guy that would help anyone and really enjoyed people. Mike was a fisherman along with my son who truly enjoyed being around Mike . They seemed to be able to relate to each other. Mike also helped us at the Conestoga wagon when our computer system was down he happened to be there at the right time and jumped right in and in no time at all he had us up and running again! May God fill your souls with love and kindness!  
Sincerely Sue Owen (Grassel)*

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**sue owen** - May 13, 2023 at 02:27 PM

PA

“ *Thoughts and prayers go out to this entire family.  
Love Pam and JP. ❤️*

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**pam** - May 13, 2023 at 08:25 AM