



## Michael Kowal

February 23, 1965 - September 11, 2025

Michael Kowal, 60, of New Philadelphia, Ohio, passed away unexpectedly on September 11, 2025.

Born February 23, 1965, in Canton, Ohio, he was the son of the late John and Naomi Grimes Kowal.

A proud U.S. Army Veteran and Catholic by faith, Michael lived a life defined by loyalty, quiet strength, and devotion to his family.

He is survived by five sisters: Susan (Rick) Tucci, Rosemary Ott, Shannon (Bob) Tucker, Benita (Frank) Walton, and Bridgette (Jim) Hannen; along with many nieces and nephews. Michael also leaves behind his beloved cats—Daisy, Blackie, and Toto—who brought him great comfort and joy.

Along with his parents, he was preceded in death by two brothers, David and Danny.

In keeping with his wishes, a private burial will be held at the convenience of the family in Oak Grove Cemetery, Marietta, Ohio.

# Tribute Wall

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“ *My prayers and hugs for the loss of your Brother, Sue. May you find comfort and strength in knowing the Lord. Love you.....Cindy and Jon*

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**cindy Unkefer** - October 01, 2025 at 06:33 PM

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“ *I'll never forget you from lynns flea market you have been so helpful and caring towards me since my first day there as a seller. You'll forever be missed !! Never forgotten. May you rest in heaven! Many prayers for your family of peace and comfort.*

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**Nancy schultz** - September 19, 2025 at 06:04 PM

 Sue  
Hiner

“ *Our thoughts and prayers to all of you. May he RIP*

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**Sue Hiner** - September 19, 2025 at 02:33 PM



“ *May the love of God surround you and your family during this difficult time,  
May you come to know that the love of God is with you always,*

*May your memories of Michael Kowal, give you peace, comfort and strength...*

*Rest now in the arms of our Lord your mission on earth is complete.  
I thank you for your service to our Country and my Freedom. You will not be forgotten...*

*My thoughts  
and prayers to the family of ....*

*US Army Veteran, Michael Kowal, is “A True American Hero” God Bless†*

*† Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends. John 15:13 †*

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**Cheryl Skinner, Tri-state Military Museum** - September 19, 2025 at 07:49 AM

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“ I can't share just one memory. There was too many memories of my brother, michael. Michael was always known as a class clown, even from the time he was in kindergarten. Until his passing. His sense of humor can cause you to laugh uncontrollably. But what so many of you don't know, michael also had the love.,that knew no boundaries. Michael was an animal over especially cats, that's how he ended up with three cats. Michael's love for abandoned and abused animals, also knew no boundaries. One of my fondest memories of my brother, was when he fixed christmas dinner for my husband and I. My brother was a really good cook and he went above and beyond for that meal. Michael and I grew a really tight bond. Over the last 5 to 7 years, we would also go out and just get something to drink and shoot breeze. The love that Michael had for r dad was also unconditional. Michael, you gained your wings before I did, please give pap kiss an hug from me. Michael had many friends in his life. Including people from the auction, flea marketing and pressure washing. When Michael was around, there was never a dull moment. He was also very strong in his christian belief. He would also let you know, loud and clear, what side of the party,he was voting for in the elections. Michael never met a stranger, and if he did, they weren't strangers for long. Michael also had a heart bigger than texas and the love that knew no boundaries. Michael, you will never know how much it hurt to lose you. I never thought my little brother would go before myself. Michael, I will forever love you and your memories will stay strong and fresh in my heart.

Shannon Tucker - September 18, 2025 at 10:28 PM

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Michael, may you rest in the arms of our heavenly father.

Shannon Tucker - September 18, 2025 at 10:49 PM

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*I was truly blessed to have Mike as my friend for many years. I have such fond memories of walking around Lake Anna with him, enjoying a concert, riding the canal boat, and, of course, enjoying his many flea market finds, plus his unique way of making people laugh. Mike was a true believer in Christ and I believe that he is with our savior..*

*Sherry Morgan*

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**Sherry A Morgan** - October 24, 2025 at 07:44 PM