



Sgt. Michael Howard Sylestine

June 26, 1991 - March 9, 2025

Michael Howard Sylestine, age 33, of Wilsonville Alabama, passed away on March 9, 2025.

Sgt. Michael Howard Sylestine honorably served his country in Afghanistan throughout Operation Enduring Freedom. His medals, badges, citations, and campaign ribbons he has been awarded or authorized include the following: Army Commendation Medal (4th Award), Army Good Conduct Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Afghanistan Campaign Medal with Two Campaign Stars, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Army Service Ribbon, Overseas Service Ribbon, NATO Medal, and Combat Action Badge.

A visitation will be held on Tuesday, March 18, 2025, at 9:30 AM, at Bolton Funeral Home. A funeral service will follow at 10:30 AM. A burial will take place at the Alabama National Cemetery, Montevallo, Alabama, at 11:45 AM. Pastor Jeff Fortenberry will be presiding.

Michael is preceded in death by his mother: Ronda Brasher; his grandfather: "Owa" Lloyd Sylestine; his grandmother: "Ahpo" Wanda Sylestine; his other grandmother: Linda Brasher; his uncles: Curtis and Don Sylestine; and his cousin: Matt Sylestine.

He is survived by his sons: Connor and Lincoln Sylestine; his grandfather:

Ronald Brasher; his grandparents: Daniel and Barbara Gardner; his father: Howard Sylestine (Elaina); his step-mother: Jean Sylestine; his siblings: Lacy Brown (Kaleb), Patrick Sylestine (Jenni), Maddi Sylestine, Paige Littlefield (Trent), Takoma Sylestine, Brett Richards (Maggie), and Jacob Richards; as well as many aunts, uncles, and cousins.

Cemetery Details

Alabama National Cemetery

3133 Hwy 119
Montevallo, AL 35115

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 18. 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM (CT)

Bolton Funeral Home
207 Hwy 47 South
PO Box 4
Columbiana, AL 35051
(205) 669-3179

Funeral Service

MAR 18. 10:30 AM (CT)

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Graveside

MAR 18. 11:45 AM (CT)

Alabama National Cemetery
3133 Hwy 119
Montevallo, AL 35115

Tribute Wall

SH

“ My heart is broken over the loss of Michael, for his family and friends and for anyone who knew him. I am Reece’s Nana and I am so glad that we all have memories of times with Michael. Our trips to the beach, those boys were a mess ! If he came by our house he was always welcome. Such a beautiful smile and those eyes with that twinkle.

Fly high sweet one fly high.

Sherry Henderson - March 17, 2025 at 10:46 PM

JD

“ Jill Donahoo purchased the Sacred Duty Spray for the family of Sgt. Michael Howard Sylestine.



Jill Donahoo - March 16, 2025 at 08:00 PM

BT

“ Bahn, Benning, Rockow, Sweeney, Thomas planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Sgt. Michael Howard Sylestine.

Bahn, Benning, Rockow, Sweeney, Thomas - March 15, 2025 at 03:47 PM

BT

“ *Bahn, Benning, Rockow, Sweeney, Thomas purchased the With Distinction for the family of Sgt. Michael Howard Sylestine.*



Bahn, Benning, Rockow, Sweeney, Thomas - March 15, 2025
at 03:47 PM

TL

“ *Tiffany Rich & Sherrie Lutz planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Sgt. Michael Howard Sylestine.*

Tiffany Rich & Sherrie Lutz - March 14, 2025 at 01:38 PM

TL

“ *Tiffany Rich & Sherrie Lutz purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Sgt. Michael Howard Sylestine.*



Tiffany Rich & Sherrie Lutz - March 14, 2025 at 01:38 PM

WG

“ *With love Jen Hale and Susan Gaither purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Sgt. Michael Howard Sylestine.*



With love Jen Hale and Susan Gaither - March 12, 2025 at
11:01 AM

BS

“ *Bryan & Gina Sauerland purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Sgt. Michael Howard Sylestine.*



Bryan & Gina Sauerland - March 11, 2025 at 09:17 PM

BS

“ *Bryan & Gina Sauerland planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Sgt. Michael Howard Sylestine.*

Bryan & Gina Sauerland - March 11, 2025 at 09:17 PM

BS

“ *Howard, we are so sorry for your loss.. Thank you Michael for your service.
Sending love and prayers to all*

Bonnie Latham Stewart - March 11, 2025 at 08:22 PM

SS

“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



Sara Abbott Smith - March 11, 2025 at 07:43 PM

FL

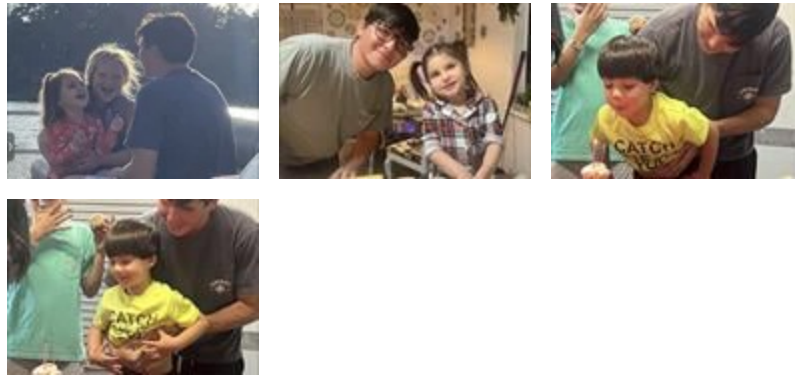
“ Frenchell Lansford lit a candle in memory of Michael Sylestine



Frenchell Lansford - March 11, 2025 at 07:27 PM

LB

“ 4 files added to the tribute wall



Lacy Brown - March 11, 2025 at 06:17 PM

MF

“ Matthew & Heather Pardue & Family purchased the Sacred Duty Spray for the family of Sgt. Michael Howard Sylestine.



Matthew & Heather Pardue & Family - March 11, 2025 at 05:54 PM

TR

“ Thank you for your services Micheal.

Tamara Riggins - March 11, 2025 at 04:52 PM



“ *Love's Journey was purchased for the family of Sgt. Michael Howard Sylestine.*



March 11, 2025 at 04:19 PM



“ *Frosty & Emma Strickland planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Sgt. Michael Howard Sylestine.*

Frosty & Emma Strickland - March 11, 2025 at 02:20 PM



“ *I don't know Michael. I just want to Thank him for his service.*

Tammy Vanderslice - March 11, 2025 at 02:19 PM



“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



Jenni Sylestine - March 11, 2025 at 01:17 PM

JS

“ 12 files added to the tribute wall



Jenni Sylestine - March 11, 2025 at 01:15 PM