



## Mr. Charles S Snurkowski

September 20, 1949 - April 2, 2022

Charles S. Snurkowski, 72, of Panama City, Florida, passed away on Saturday, April 2, 2022, while surrounded by his loving family.

He was the only son of Charles Snurkowski, of blessed memory, and Rita Corby Snurkowski, who survives. He was born in Quonset Point, Rhode Island on September 20, 1949.

In addition to his mother, he is survived by his two sons, Charles Andrew Snurkowski and Mathew Lee Snurkowski (wife, Lila J. Snurkowski); four grandchildren Lyric Snurkowski, Kayleigh Ann Bendawald, Ava Snurkowski and Madison Snurkowski; and one great-granddaughter, Ember Rose Bendawald. Further, he is survived by his two sisters, Carolyn M. Snurkowski and Nancy S. Hardison (husband, Richard A. Hardison).

Following in his father's footsteps, he joined the United States Navy and served for 21 years as an Electronics Warfare Officer and retired as a Lieutenant Commander. He served in several different locations throughout the United States and abroad. He served his country proudly and devoted his life to his military service, which included getting his Naval Postgraduate Master degree in Systems Technology. At Lakehurst Naval Air Station in New Jersey, he had the proud honor, as airbase coordinator, to receive many dignitaries, most notably President George W. Bush. He ended his

distinguished military career at Lakehurst.

Following his retirement, he dedicated his time to caring for his family. He enjoyed fishing, sailing, talking globally as a HAM radio operator, and electronics. His most favorite thing to do would be playing with his “trons” and collecting old TV and radio tubes, his prize possessions.

In addition, some of his many civilian accomplishments included expert pool man for his mom and dad, teaching his mother (72 years of age) how to swim and repairing anything that broke. He was naturally elevated to the civilian rank of free handyman for his family. When he was home in Panama City, he never missed a day emailing back and forth with his mother. Of course he taught her how to use her IMac and was oftentimes her technical support. And he loved every moment of it! He had a dry wit and never let a day go by without making the family laugh. Life, whether good or bad was “great”. He will be missed by all but especially by his 99.5 year old mother who loved him with all her heart and spent many of his last days caring for her.

The family would like for you to know that he was a private, tender-hearted son, brother and father, and all were very proud of him so please join us in honoring this true patriot.

The funeral is 2:00 PM, Wednesday, April 6, 2022, at Abbey Funeral Home. Interment will follow in Tallahassee Memory Gardens, Garden of Peace. The online guestbook and live stream service can be found at [www.abbeyfh.com](http://www.abbeyfh.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Tallahassee Memory Gardens

4037 North Monroe Street  
Tallahassee, FL 32303  
(850) 562-1518  
<https://www.abbeyfh.com/>

# Previous Events

## Funeral

APR 6. 2:00 PM (ET)

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4037 North Monroe Street  
Tallahassee, FL 32303  
(850) 562-1518  
[abbeyfh@comcast.net](mailto:abbeyfh@comcast.net)

# Tribute Wall



“ *Abbey Funeral Home and Tallahassee Memory Gardens created a Webcast in memory of Mr. Charles S Snurkowski*



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**Abbey Funeral Home and Tallahassee Memory Gardens** - April 06, 2022 at 12:34 PM

EM

“ *I knew Charlie when we were stationed together at VAQ33 in Key West. We had many fun times there and I met his whole family during that year. May you Rest in Peace . . . Liz Ewanciw*

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**Elizabeth A Manning** - April 10, 2023 at 07:39 AM

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“ I just came across this site on the internet and was shocked to see the loss of my good Navy friend Charlie. We were both Electronic Warfare Aviators and shared many good times, both in training as well as our operational time in Rota, Spain, 1973-76. Charlie was a god parent to one of my daughters, Tammy, born in Rota. I have spent much time over the years unsuccessfully trying to reconnect with him when out of the blue he called me about a year ago, about the time when the big hurricane hit and damaged his house. He gave me his email address and I have tried several times since his brief call to communicate with him, to no avail. I suspect it might have been due to a medical condition. I am very saddened that I will not be able to share old stories, memories, and future time together. He was a good bridge player and we enjoyed that and flying together for over 3 years. Charlie was a good man and patriot. Rob Howe, retired CDR, 605-460-2082, Sioux Falls, SD, robhowegpa@gmail.com

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**Robert Frank Howe** - December 27, 2022 at 05:07 PM

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“ OAG, Capital Appeals, Tallahassee purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Mr. Charles S Snurkowski.



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**OAG, Capital Appeals, Tallahassee** - April 05, 2022 at 01:44 PM

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“ *Your OAG Family purchased the Rainbow Of Remembrance Spray for the family of Mr. Charles S Snurkowski.*



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**Your OAG Family** - April 04, 2022 at 02:44 PM



“ *Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Mr. Charles S Snurkowski.*



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April 04, 2022 at 02:21 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mr. Charles S Snurkowski.*



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April 04, 2022 at 01:17 PM