



## Tyler Lee Barkley

September 11, 1993 - March 11, 2018

Tyler Lee Barkley, 24, of Summerville passed away on Sunday, March 11, 2018.

Family and friends are invited to attend his visitation on Saturday, March 17, 2018 from 5 to 8 o'clock at James A. Dyal Funeral Home. Funeral service will be Sunday, March 18, 2018 at 11 o'clock at James A. Dyal Funeral Home.

In Lieu of flowers memorials may be made to Catalyst Church. Send to paypal info [catalysthousechurch@gmail.com](mailto:catalysthousechurch@gmail.com) or mail to Catalyst Church 105 E. Carolina Avenue, Summerville, SC 29483.

Tyler was born on September 11, 1993 in Cleveland, OH, son of Lee Jacob Barkley and Patricia Lynn Topping. Tyler was a 2012 graduate of Ashley Ridge High School. Tyler enlisted into the United States Coast Guard after graduation. He was a hard worker and excelled in his career. Tyler was full of life and love, and wanted everyone to be happy. He was the light in a room, and could put a smile on everyone's face. He loved his friends and family close to him most of all, and we will all dearly miss his sweet smile, and goofy laugh.

Survivors including his parents Lee and Patricia are: two sisters: Demi Barkley (Jacob Kirtley) of Johns Island and Tara Barkley of Summerville; two brothers:

Parker Topping of Ocean City, MD and Austin Topping of Summerville; one niece: Ellie Kirtley of Johns Island; grandparents: Donna Cooley of Streetsboro, OH and Jake and Sandy Barkley of Friedens, PA and many more cousins, aunts and uncles. He was predeceased by aunt: Felicia Ewing; grandfather: Kenneth Cooley; great grandparents: Olive and Art Shippey; cousin: Paul Critchfield.

A memorial message may be written to the family by visiting our website at [www.jamesadyal.com](http://www.jamesadyal.com).

ARRANGEMENTS BY JAMES A. DYAL FUNERAL HOME, 303 SOUTH MAIN STREET, SUMMERVILLE, SC 29483 (843)873-4040.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 17. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

James A. Dyal Funeral Home  
303 S. Main Street  
Summerville, SC 29483  
(843) 873-4040  
<https://www.jamesadyal.com>

## Service

MAR 18. 11:00 AM (ET)

James A. Dyal Funeral Home Chapel  
303 S. Main Street  
Summerville, SC 29483

# Tribute Wall



“ James A Dyal Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Tyler Lee Barkley



James A Dyal Funeral Home - March 15, 2018 at 06:16 PM



So long shipmate. Is was a privilege to sail with you.

George Allred - March 17, 2018 at 12:22 PM



“ Tyler Lee Barkley

September 29, 2022 at 10:11 AM



“ I will always remember Tyler as the guy who was always smiling and making us laugh. I will miss his off the wall "theories" and most of all his shenanigans.

Kevin Hancock - March 17, 2018 at 01:55 PM

KH

“ Kevin Hancock purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Tyler Lee Barkley.



Kevin Hancock - March 17, 2018 at 01:36 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Tyler Lee Barkley.



March 17, 2018 at 01:12 PM



“ Sapphire Skies Bouquet was purchased for the family of Tyler Lee Barkley.



March 16, 2018 at 02:44 PM

LF

“ Lisa Fortuna lit a candle in memory of Tyler Lee Barkley



Lisa Fortuna - March 16, 2018 at 11:58 AM



“ *Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Tyler Lee Barkley.*



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March 16, 2018 at 11:36 AM



“ *Kent And Clara Heaton lit a candle in memory of Tyler Lee Barkley*



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**Kent and Clara Heaton** - March 16, 2018 at 09:35 AM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Tyler Lee Barkley.*



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March 15, 2018 at 10:35 PM

NI

“ Tyler was an excellent shipmate and a professional Law Enforcement Officer. We served together for the last three years onboard Confidence and ran some great missions together. He was always the first one to volunteer for operations. A quick story from me: While chasing a drug trafficking boat about 600 miles from shore in the Pacific Ocean we needed to disable the engines of the fleeing boat. The man driving the boat was very close to the engines. After firing a few warning shots to attempt to scare him back the operator of the boat persisted and did not move, thinking we would not take the shot to kill his engines. I looked at Tyler and asked him if he was comfortable taking the shot. Of course, Tyler, while smiling, said he could. He then proceeded to accurately place four rounds from an offhand shot into this outboard engine, just feet away from the man driving! After this the man decided that it was time to get away from the engines and we were able to interdict about 700 kilograms of cocaine! I will miss him dearly and the void that he has left within our counter-drug team will never be filled. My condolences on your loss, but I wanted to make sure you knew that Tyler was the best of the best! The crew of the Confidence sends their regards and wants you to know that we are here for you in any way that you made need. Semper Paratus.

*BMC Nick Ingersoll  
USCGC Confidence*

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**Nick** - March 15, 2018 at 12:42 PM

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“ While we did not know Tyler personally, Deniece spoke very highly of the young man that he was. We are thankful for his service and his legacy. Our hearts and prayers are with his family during this difficult time.

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**Bayada** - March 15, 2018 at 11:50 AM



“ *Sapphire Skies Bouquet was purchased for the family of Tyler Lee Barkley.* ”



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March 15, 2018 at 11:45 AM