



## Stylianos Zachopoulos

September 4, 1951 - July 13, 2016

Stylianos Zachopoulos, age 64, loving husband of Katherine (nee Hatzis) married for 39 years, dear father of Georgia and Apostolos “Paul,” brother of Vangeli (Ellie) and Dino, son of Apostolos and Antigoni (both deceased), brother-in-law of Harry Hatzis, passed away unexpectedly in Greece on July 13, 2016. Stylianos was born and raised in Greece and held great pride in his Greek heritage. He moved to the United States in 1981 at the age of 29 to make a better life for himself and his family. An accomplished engineering professional, he completed studies both abroad and locally in Cleveland earning his doctorate in civil engineering from Cleveland State University. Well-respected in Northeast Ohio professionally as an engineer, he held the title of principle engineer at MWH Global where he had been employed for near 30 years. Stylianos held interests in sports and travel. He was a huge fan of soccer and all Cleveland sports teams. He was recently able to enjoy the Cleveland Cavaliers’ championship with his family, a moment he referred to as “one of the best of [his] life”. Furthermore, he always enjoyed his annual summer vacations to Greece, to which he referred as his true home. Stylianos is remembered by those who were close to him as loving, hard-working, funny, and a loyal husband, father, and friend. A selfless man, he strived to care for his family and put their needs before his. He will live in our hearts forever and we will miss him every day. ALL FUNERAL SERVICES FRIDAY JULY 22, 2016 at 12 pm WITH VISITATION BEFORE FROM 10 to 12 at the ANNUNCIATION GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH 2187 WEST 14TH ST. CLEVELAND, OH. Interment at St. Theodosius Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, family suggests contributions to the Annunciation Church.

# Cemetery

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## St. Theodosius Cemetery

8200 Biddulph Road  
Cleveland, OH, 44144

# Events

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**JUL** **Visitation** 10:00AM - 12:00PM

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Annunciation Greek Orthodox Church  
2187 West 14th Street, Cleveland, OH, US

**JUL** **Funeral Service** 12:00PM

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Annunciation Greek Orthodox Church  
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# Comments

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“ Kathy, Georgia and Paul,

I am very sorry for your loss. Stan was one of the best guys I've ever had the privilege of working with and knowing. I will always remember Stan fondly as he was almost like a father figure to me, especially since he looked and talked much like my own father.

When I talked about Stan, I always used the phrase "salt of the earth" because Stan really was the salt of the earth. He was one of the most genuine, humblest and sweetest souls that I've ever known. He will be truly missed by not only his friends and family, but by the water community that loved and respected him. I am very fortunate to have been able to work with one of the most brilliant minds in our business.

I will keep your family in my thoughts and prayers through this most difficult time and will do everything I can to make Stan proud.

Andreas Skeriotis

**Andrew Skeriotis** - July 22, 2016 at 12:38 PM

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“ I had the pleasure of working with Stan in Cleveland when I first started my engineering career. He was always extremely helpful and went out of his way to teach me key skills I needed to be successful. When I look across my life to people who have helped me build a strong foundation, both in and out of work life, I think of Stan. He made sure to reminded me of what was important - family. I remember how excited he was when he returned from his trips to Greece over the years and his willingness to share his wonderful experience with others.

Our condolences to the family and may God bless you in this difficult time.

Joe, Tammy & Courtney Casias

**Joe Casias** - July 22, 2016 at 10:48 AM

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“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Stylianos Zachopoulos.



July 22, 2016 at 10:06 AM

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“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Stylianos Zachopoulos.



July 22, 2016 at 02:33 AM

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“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Stylianos Zachopoulos.



July 21, 2016 at 11:16 PM

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“ Be My Love Bouquet with Red Roses was purchased for the family of Stylianos Zachopoulos.



July 21, 2016 at 01:47 PM

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“ Our condolences from Kathy and myself to you and your family. We are saddened by the news and pray for you now. Stan and I worked in the same office for 18 years. He was a very kind and generous person. He would always put forth a great effort to help with any problems. He was an honorable and noble man. I will miss him.

Regards,  
Andy and Kathy Pagan

We will be sending a donation to your church as requested.

**Andy Pagan** - July 21, 2016 at 09:34 AM

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“ Kathy, Georgia and Paul

Mary and I are so very sorry for your loss. We first met you and Stan nearly 30 years ago, and had a long and wonderful tradition of sitting together at the company picnics and holiday parties, sharing stories of our children as they were growing up. Thinking of those times brings back fond memories.

Stan was a very special man - humble and so very polite, yet truly one of the smartest people I have ever met. We worked together for nearly 25 years, and worked together on projects all around the Country, from Florida to St. Louis to Boston.....traveling together for our work, but enjoying ourselves with stimulating conversation over a nice dinner and drinks in the evening.

I consider working with Stan to have been my privilege. In my 39 years of working in environmental engineering, I can't think of anyone smarter than Stan. His ability to do calculations in his head, and quickly solve problems still amazes me. When we spoke about non-work matters, Stan always asked me how Mary, and our children were - Angela, Matt, Larissa and Sarah. He always remembered their names and always was deeply interested in how the Atoulikian family was. Stan was also proud of his family - and he would smile and his eyes would twinkle when he spoke to us about your latest accomplishments.

Stan went too soon, but the impact that Stan had on those of us that knew him and interacted with him daily will never be forgotten. God bless each of you, and we will always be there for you.

Rich and Mary Atoulikian, and Family

**Rich Atoulikian** - July 20, 2016 at 06:31 PM

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“ My greatest condolences go out to family and friends of Stan. He was the first person to talk to me when I began working with the company and was always friendly and welcoming to all...making work days in the office a pleasure. I couldn't have had a better cubicle buddy or Christmas party companion. I'll always remember the wonderful soul that Stan was and look forward to seeing him again, God Bless.



Patrick - July 20, 2016 at 02:19 PM

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“ Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Stylianos Zachopoulos.



July 20, 2016 at 01:18 PM

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“ Georgia and Paul,

My deepest condolences on the loss of your father.

Sincerely,  
Nadia Podojil

Nadia Podojil - July 20, 2016 at 11:20 AM

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“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Stylianos Zachopoulos.



July 20, 2016 at 09:36 AM

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“ Eva Skarafiga lit a candle in memory of Stylianos Zachopoulos



Eva Skarafiga - July 20, 2016 at 09:02 AM

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“ The day I met Stan, he immediately took the time to know me and mentor me in the his field of expertise. Stan cared about the people around him and what he did.

Steve - July 20, 2016 at 08:11 AM

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“ In 1999, I worked for a year under Stan's direction and learned how to do things right. Stan was an exceptional professional and I considered him a friend. We will remember you Stan.

Debbie



Debbie Hanby - July 20, 2016 at 07:42 AM

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“ Bruce Contino lit a candle in memory of Stylianos Zachopoulos



Bruce Contino - July 20, 2016 at 06:53 AM

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“ Love Everlasting Bouquet was purchased for the family of Stylianos Zachopoulos.



July 19, 2016 at 10:52 PM

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“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Stylianos Zachopoulos.



July 19, 2016 at 08:15 PM

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“ Dear Kathy, Georgia and Paul - my heart goes out to you as you try to make sense of losing too soon your loving spouse and caring father. I have lost my little buddy - and, I say that with the utmost respect. One of the most intelligent people I've ever had the pleasure of knowing and working with, Stan was also a very dear friend. We made a great team and over the past 30 years have hopefully together made a positive difference for many clients - making our world a better place in which to live.

Stan and I were entertainment for many people. We challenged each other beyond compare, and argued each and every technical point to the bitter end - but, always in a civil manner and with total respect. Stan's contributions and mine to our industry over the years are so intertwined that it's hard to decipher who did what. I have stated frequently that, "Stan did all the work and I took all the credit." While true - neither one of us could have made the impact we did as a team, without the constant interaction with the other one.

Stan will be missed - but, I will always remember what we were able to accomplish as a team. Two guys from very small towns who proved the whole is truly more powerful than the sum of its parts. I will continually remember with fondness the ideas and concepts we generated together - and, it will bring a smile to my face each and every day.

God bless you at this difficult time - and, know that you in the thoughts and prayers of many people who love you very much.

Love,  
Tim Wolfe

Tim Wolfe - July 19, 2016 at 06:53 PM

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“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Stylianos Zachopoulos.



July 19, 2016 at 03:15 PM