



BRIAN MICHEAL DUNCAN

September 21, 1981 - May 6, 2026

Brian Micheal Duncan

After a yearlong battle with metastatic adrenal cancer, Brian passed away peacefully at the Margaret Z. Dozier Hospice House in the early morning hours of May 6, 2026. He was 44 years of age.

Brian is survived by his wife, Alisha and their son, Dylan, parents Joe and Tracy Duncan, brother Joe Duncan (wife Beth, nephews Joey and Anthony, and niece Emily), father and mother-in-law, Garry and Carol Spahr, sister-in-law Heather Spahr, and numerous aunts, uncles, and cousins on his side as well as his wife's side of the family. Also left to mourn his passing are close friends, current and former coworkers, and current employees who are like family throughout the Publix Supermarkets Corporation.

Brian was born on September 21 in Medina, Ohio. He was a 1999 graduate of Cairo High School. Brian began his career with Publix Supermarkets in 1999. In 2004, while working in the deli and bakery of store 533 on Thomasville Road in Tallahassee, Brian and Alisha met as coworkers and quickly became inseparable. Brian and Alisha were married in February 2006 and recently celebrated their 20th wedding anniversary. Brian continued his career with Publix working at several local stores before transferring to Panama City Beach to become an assistant store manager. In 2010, Brian became the

store manager of the first Publix in Dothan, Alabama. At the age of 29, he was one of the youngest store managers in Publix history. Brian would go on to win the prestigious George Jenkins Award in 2014. An award given to store managers who demonstrate superior leadership, perpetuate Publix company culture, and exemplify Publix founder, George Jenkins's ideals. Desiring to move closer to family, Brian accepted the store manager position at store 1051 on Blirstone Road and Park Avenue in Tallahassee in 2014. At the time of his passing, he was the store manager of store 1427 on Centerville Road and Capital Circle NE in Tallahassee, Florida. Brian modeled extraordinary leadership to hundreds of coworkers and employees throughout his career with Publix. All who knew Brian knew he "bled (Publix) green".

Brian was exceptionally gifted in many areas but he had a real servant's heart for being the hands and feet of Jesus by loving and serving his family, his community, and employees. Brian always made sure his employees and coworkers felt appreciated and valued. One of Brian's main goals in life was to make sure his family was taken care of and he did so exceptionally well. Outside of the Lord and Publix, Brian loved FSU Football (Go Noles!), fishing, playing video games (especially with Dylan), watching tv series and shows with Alisha, home improvement projects, keeping his grass nice and green, scratch off lottery tickets, and family cruises.

A Celebration of Life will be held on Friday, June 12, 2026, at City Church, 3215 Sessions Road, Tallahassee, Florida 32303. A visitation will be at 10:00 am and the service will begin at 11:00 am. All are invited to attend and are encouraged to wear green in honor of Brian's decorated career with Publix.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Brian's name may be made to March of Dimes or donations can be made directly to the family to offset past medical bills and future expenses.

The family is being cared for by Jackie Fulford, James Sircy and Kielah Footman of Young Fulford Funeral Home and Crematory, Tallahassee, Florida. 850.610.4444

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 12. 10:00 AM (ET)

City Church Tallahassee
3215 Sessions Rd
Tallahassee, FL 32303
(850) 347-4100

Celebration of Life

JUN 12. 11:00 AM (ET)

City Church Tallahassee
3215 Sessions Road
Tallahassee, FL
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Tribute Wall

AC

“ Brian is so missed by our Publix team. His “howdy, neighbor!” greeting on the phone, his humor during in-person meetings and his hilarious GIFs at just the right time were all part of his charm. I appreciated that he always made time to help solve problems or talk through frustrations. He could fix any tech mess I made and had a way of making me feel less stupid while doing it. His loyalty and care for all of us in his Publix Family will never be forgotten. RIP Brian.

Amanda Clark - June 12 at 10:19 AM

WF

“ Wise family purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of BRIAN MICHEAL DUNCAN.



Wise family - June 11 at 01:18 PM

PT

“ Publix Store Management Team purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of BRIAN MICHEAL DUNCAN.



Publix Store Management Team - June 10 at 11:50 AM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of BRIAN MICHEAL DUNCAN.*



June 10 at 07:00 AM



“ *Publix#1427 Family purchased the Strength & So lace Spray for the family of BRIAN MICHEAL DUNCAN.*



Publix#1427 Family - June 09 at 02:45 PM

MG

“ My heart is so heavy Brian was my hiring manager for publix in Dothan Al he was the most caring kind but sturn manager the best ever I really cried after he and Alisha moved back to Fl lol i Loved her just as much this a long post i had a fire where i lost everything on the day of u was at work and got a call my apt was in fire when i got there I was devastated when I looked up from my tears there they was Brian and Alisha he looked me right in my eyes and said we are going to make sure your OK he could have sent his asstant store manager it any other one but he came that speaks volumes and he went to campainging for me at every store and every manager at every store one store had a big screen tv that they would use for training and Brian and another manager brought it to me and up flights of stairs i know this is a long post but I'm so grateful to have had this man in my life in in tears a i think about what he meant to me Alisha thank you and Dillon for sharing him with us love you more than you know Brian I'll never forget you Michelle Grimsley

MICHELLE GRIMSLEY - June 07 at 02:33 PM

SR

“ We were so sorry to hear of Brian's passing. We've heard what a wonderful man he was and the impact he had left. Our hearts and prayers are there with you, his dear family. You are loved by your Michigan family. Sue Wallace Rosko

Sue Rosko - June 07 at 10:14 AM

MD

“ Mom and Dad purchased the Days of Sunshine Bouquet for the family of BRIAN MICHEAL DUNCAN.



Mom and Dad - May 21 at 05:42 PM