



R. Christian Pittillo

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Chris was universally loved and admired by everyone he touched along his way through life. If you are reading this, you probably already know that. He was born with a smile that could light the world around him as well as touch a single heart.

Amiable and good-natured, Chris was a “glass overflowing” optimist, carrying his positivity into every relationship and endeavor, equally kind and giving to all he knew. He had a deep reverence for and curiosity about Planet Earth and its inhabitants, whether plant or animal, fish or fowl, insect or T-Rex. They were all amazing to him. As a child, he nurtured Max, his pet iguana, and “Charlie the chinchilla.” As a kindergartner, Chris rescued a little bird in distress and enlisted his Mom to take it to the local bird sanctuary. Unfortunately, the sanctuary staff had the worst news a few days later, but the experience launched Chris into his lifelong love affair with all living things. Yes, even spiders and scorpions (yikes)!

An accomplished craftsman and contractor, Chris reveled in taking ownership of projects and was known for his patience and meticulous attention to detail. He was an intuitive manager of people, taking them under his gracious wing and inspiring his crews to excellence. And, when it came to his fellow workers, he had an ability to customize his management approach to accommodate those less capable. His strategic insight informed everything he did, whether guiding a complex project through its life cycle or excelling at chess.

Intellectually curious, Chris was fascinated by ancient and medieval European culture, reflected in his eclectic taste and the unique artifacts he collected, as well as the special environments, indoors and out, that he created for friends to enjoy. He never missed the annual Renaissance Festivals and often attended the ultimate counter-culture event known simply as “Burning Man.”

Above all, Chris treasured contentment. He was highly sentimental about people, places, and things, and he loved nothing more than spending time with his family. We will deeply miss his sense of humor, his compassionate nature, and his gentle and caring ways.



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Should you wish, you may honor Chris' generosity and love for nature by making a donation in his name to the Chesapeake Bay Foundation at www.cbf.org.




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Memorial Service


 **Thursday**, July 22, 2021

 1:00 PM - 1:30 PM ET


 **Lasting Tributes Cremation & Funeral Care**
814 Bestgate Rd, Annapolis MD 21401

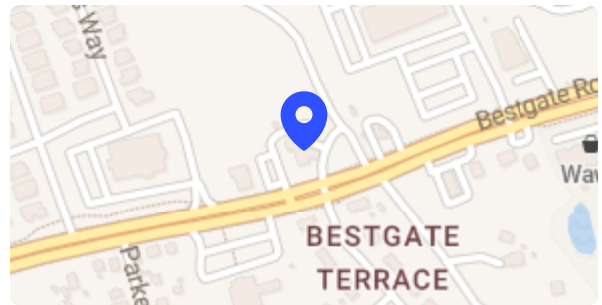


Memorial Reception

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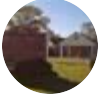




Tribute Wall

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Lasting Tributes shared a **Video**.

July 22 at 8:21 AM



Laura Hp shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.

I still miss Christian so much. He was a wonderful person, and I feel fortunate to have known him. Missing him just really hit me as I was looking through old photos and came across all the pictures that I saved when he passed. Photos that he texted me through the years... Selfies, dogs, beaches, sunsets, random lizards, food, friends, girlfriends, parties... I remember how he was always very open and full of warmth. He really saw the best in people, and found redeeming qualities in just about everyone. The world needs more people like him. He was a very special person.

June 21 at 8:40 AM



Michael Lampkin posted:

I only found this because my 20 yr old son was asking about people I knew during high school. Chris was one of the first people I thought of and I decided to look him up and give an example of someone I thought of as a "good friend" It's been a LONG time but I still have very fond memories of Chris. Travelling together and playing on the QACHS chess team (undefeated winning seasons!). Having issues with my family and Chris repeatedly letting me sleep overnight for several YEARS. Just being there for me when I needed a friend and providing what help you could as another teenager. I wish I had let you know more, before now, how much those times meant to mean. I hope that by some chance to meet you again sometime. Sleep well buddy.

September 11 at 9:35 PM



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KL

Kathleen Cushman Long posted:

My fondest memory of you, Chris, was the family memorial ay Kennywood Park. You were happy to have the entire family together. We rode all the rides, had a wonderful lunch at one of the pavillions and went on the merry-go-round with your Grandma. Remember going to Sherry's the night before? Lots of family laughs and getting up.Your 50th birthday was a riot. Mom made you her famous spaghetti and meatballs. I forget which concert you went to but we were having birthday cake afterwards. Diesel helped himself to the first piece unbekownst to us. You laughed and cut that side of the cake off. It was a good cake and a great day sharing it with you.My fav Chris story was when you as a little boy gazed through the hole in roof and said to your Mom: But Mom, look how pretty the sky looks.I'll miss seeing the pictures you always sent; fishing days, you in your Rennansaise re-enactment clothes, beach pictures and yes, even the snake.Chris, I'll miss your easy manner, you sharing your love of life, and how much you loved your family. Most of all, I'll miss you.Your cousin, Kathy

July 22 at 6:21 AM

JB

Jeanette Fautleroy Burnette January 30 at 4:08 PM

Ms. Nancy, I'm so very sorry! I found this sad news yesterday, and would really like to reach you. I gave the funeral home office my cell#. If you call them, they will give you the number. Chris has been my longest and dearest friend, we dated for years at AACC, and I last heard from him on Father's Day, 6/12/21. I reached out but he stopped texting/calling. All my love and prayers to your family❤️ I will never forget him, and he is always in my heart until we meet again one day.

KL

Kathleen Cushman Long July 26 at 6:24 AM

The void in our hearts is inconsolable. Our memories are priceless. That's what we will cherish. I will miss the texts and pictures that Christian shared. I'll miss his calmness, his humor, his kindness. I miss Christian. Love you too, cuz.

SN

Scott Norris July 22 at 9:25 PM

Kathy, thank you for expressing true, pure love. These memories are of course priceless - Lynn seeing Diesel up on the table "going to town" on the cake with no humans in the room. No big deal for Chris; just cut away the chewed up part and serve the rest! Perfectly sensible!Aunt Dolly declaring "these kids don't know how to have fun" at Sherrie's.Mom's last ride on her childhood merry-go-round at age 88 with a bunch of little kids on the other horses, as it should be. And every time I picture Chris in my mind, he is calm and smiling.An old expression is troubling me: "you don't know what you got 'til it's gone." We all knew what we had in Christian. We just never imagined he would be gone. But we have so many memories of him because he was determined to be with us as much as he could.Thanks again for these wonderful memories and your perfect description of the essence of "that kid."Love you cuz - Uncle Scott



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Bill And Bethany Galayda sent a Fiery Lily and Rose to the Pittillo family.



July 22 at 6:14 AM



Anonymous sent a Small Garden Dish to the Pittillo family.



July 22 at 4:20 AM



Anonymous sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Pittillo family.



July 21 at 6:06 PM



Mike shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.

I cannot fathom the thought of my friend of almost 40 years of being gone. Glad to have the memories of beach-combing, crabbing and fishing and growing up thru our teenage years. Words cannot express..... I will miss you brother.



July 21 at 5:50 PM

SN **Scott Norris** July 22 at 11:16 PM
Love this pic



Mike shared an album called **Memories Album**.



July 21 at 5:27 PM



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Anonymous sent an Enchanted Cottage to the Pittillo family.



July 21 at 1:12 PM



Champ posted:

Fly Away Home Brother. You were a Great person and a beautiful Soul. And A better friend.. Ma Jah Guidance and Protection lead you to your next journey. You will be missed. One Love Fam.. Champ

July 21 at 7:09 AM



Chris, Kathy, Joey, And Marlene Brasco sent a Peaceful White Lilies Basket to the Pittillo family.



July 21 at 5:40 AM



Roger Doty sent a Peaceful White Lilies Basket to the Pittillo family.



July 20 at 10:09 AM



Anonymous sent a Full Of Love Bouquet to the Pittillo family.



July 20 at 7:59 AM



Love, Mike And Annette sent an A New Sunrise Spray to the Pittillo family.



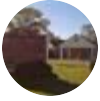
July 19 at 4:15 AM



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Will Miss You My Brother



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring R. by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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