



Christopher J. Carroll

December 13, 1965 - July 1, 2018

ALBANY – A local man known for his big heart, love of sports and a hearty laugh ended a courageous 7-year battle with cancer on Sunday evening.

Christopher James Carroll, an Albany tradesman who loved cooking and camping with friends and family, passed away peacefully Sunday evening, July 1, 2018, in the Hospice Inn at Saint Peter's Hospital.

He was 52.

Retired from the Local #40 Heat and Frost Insulators Union, including stints as the local's Vice-President trustee, Christopher could often be found rooting for his favorite sports teams the Pittsburgh Steelers and the New York Yankees, along with various other local and national teams.

Christopher was a diehard Steelers fan.

As a former athlete himself, he played football while attending Ravena-Coyemans-Selkirk High School in the early 1980s, as well as Hudson Valley Community College, and studied the martial arts as a young man. However, Christopher's biggest joy in life was enjoying time with family, especially his wife and two sons whom he adored.

According to his youngest son, Zachary, one of his father's biggest strengths was being there for others despite his health battles.

"He fought this for 7 years. If that isn't strong, I don't know what is," he said. "Even when he was sick he still knew how to put a smile on your face or lighten up a room. That's strength ... He put everyone before himself."

An enthusiastic outdoorsman, Christopher loved spending time at his camp near Lake Luzerne and was a passionate student of history and music. He will be remembered most of all for opening his heart and home to anyone in a time of need.

Christopher is survived by his wife; Rachel Carroll; two sons, Christian and Zachary Carroll; his mother, Lorraine Carroll; his father, James J. Carroll Jr.; six brothers, George Starks, Stephen Starks (Cynthia), William Carroll, Michael Carroll, Jason Carroll (Martina), and Jarrett Carroll (Amanda); one sister, Michele Francis (Steven); father-in-law David "Poppy" Filkins; brother-in-laws Paul Maguire (Rita), Eric Filkins (Liz); sister-in-law Tracy Winnie; several cousins, nieces, and nephews; and many close friends.

He was predeceased by his brother Jamie and mother-in-law Barbara.

Relatives and friends are invited to visit with Chris's family on Thursday, July 5, 2018 from 4:00 to 7:00 pm in the McVeigh Funeral Home, 208 North Allen Street, Albany.

A public funeral service will be held at 10:30 am on Friday, July 6, 2018 in the funeral home.

A private family interment will follow at Calvary Cemetery, Glenmont.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Zachary Carroll Memorial College Fund at any SEFCU location.

To leave Chris's family a message on their guestbook, light a candle, or obtain directions, please visit www.mcveighfuneralhome.com

Events

JUL **Visitation** 04:00PM - 07:00PM

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McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc.
208 N Allen St, Albany, NY, US, 12206

JUL **Service** 10:30AM

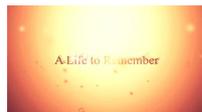
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Comments



“ A tribute video has been added.



McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc. - July 05, 2018 at 09:45 AM



“ Remembering Chris, a loving father and husband.

Those we love don't go away, they walk beside us every day. Unseen, unheard, but always near; still loved, still missed and very dear.

Your BFF,

Mark Kilroy

Mark Kilroy - July 01 at 11:07 AM



“ https://images.google.com/imgres?imgurl=https%3A%2F%2Fi.pinimg.com%2F236x%2F9a%2F21%2F45%2F9a2145842e589269f419a93eece1c6c4--memorial-candles-candle-lit.jpg&imgrefurl=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.pinterest.com%2Ffbbkth%2Fmemory-candles%2F&docid=s0mIYtf-H2jyvM&tbnid=q_UXZNQFHat0PM%3A&w=236&h=276&source=sh%2Fx%2Fim



ChristianAndAngela - September 12, 2018 at 05:10 AM



“ Dear Rachel...and Sons....So very Sorry for Your Loss...Although I haven't seen you all in a very long time...I remember my cousin A Great and Lovely Man...Peace Be With You and Yours. My deepest condolences. cousin Donna.....

Donna Rapp - July 07, 2018 at 08:15 AM



“ 50 files added to the album LifeTributes



McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc. - July 05, 2018 at 08:41 AM



“ Christine Filkins Mastrobuono lit a candle in memory of Christopher J. Carroll



Christine Filkins Mastrobuono - July 05, 2018 at 07:57 AM



“ Lorraine and Jim, So sorry to hear about Chris, please except our condolences. We knew him as a youngster we are sure he will be missed.

John and Mary Bissailon - July 04, 2018 at 10:23 AM



“ Rachel and Family my heart goes out to you during this difficult time. Chris will always have a place in my heart and memories, please know your all in my prayers.
RIP My Brother

Jeff Guynup - July 04, 2018 at 05:47 AM



“ Rachel, so sorry to hear of your husbands passing. I wish we had met him. From what I read here it sounds like he was a great man!

Richard and Michelle Berhaupt - July 04, 2018 at 03:10 AM



“ Rachael Zack and Christian he was a wonderful man so so sorry for your loss he will be greatly missed Brea will miss him she loved him John and I are so sorry to hear this If you need anything let us know we are here for you

Love John and Irene



Irene Pendleton - July 04, 2018 at 12:42 AM



“ Chris, you are my Best Friend Forever who has always welcomed me and everyone you know including family, friends, and neighbors to your home. You always have a way to make people feel comfortable in your home with a welcoming personality, sense of humor and delicious home made food. Weather on a Sunday afternoon watching football, holiday celebration or just a casual visit you and Rachel open your hearts and home to everyone who visit.

Love,
Mark and Sonia Kilroy, RIP

Mark Kilroy - July 03, 2018 at 10:02 PM



“ Kathy Carroll Rohrer -Aunt lit a candle in memory of Christopher J. Carroll



Kathy Carroll Rohrer -Aunt - July 03, 2018 at 04:06 PM



“ Chris, you will be greatly missed. You were strong and put up a good fight till the end. Say hi to gram for me, I am sure her and Jamie were there to welcomed you. Love you, RIP

Kathy Carroll Rohrer -Aunt - July 03, 2018 at 04:17 PM



“ Chris, you had a heart of gold and always kept us laughing. Lots of happy memories through the years, holidays and just getting together. We will hold you in our hearts forever. We love you. Rest In Peace.

Paul and Rita - July 03, 2018 at 03:49 PM



“ Christopher was a nephew who I always held a special place in my heart; he was a quiet but loving soul: I will always remember him and his smile. RIP Chris you will be missed by many. Losing a child is the worst pain any parent can have; I know, I lost a son 35yrs ago and still remember him like yesterday.

Judith Labunski - July 03, 2018 at 03:18 PM



“ My heart, my soulmate, the greatest love I've ever known
I'm not sure how I'm going to do this thing called life without you but if there was anything you ever taught me it was how to be strong. I will try so hard to make you proud. You will forever be the love of my life. I'm so proud of you and the fight you fought and you are truly the strongest person I've ever met not to mention the best partner in life that anyone could ever ask for. I love you with all of my being Christopher, and I will for the rest of my life. I just wish you could have stayed with me and the boys. Now you are our forever angel. Fly high my love. You deserve peace.

Rachel carroll - July 03, 2018 at 02:21 PM



“ Beautifully written Rachel. You and the boys are in my heart. Love you

candace keyoskey - July 03, 2018 at 04:20 PM



“ A memory I have of Chris.... after a concert at SPAC, driving home. All Chris wanted to do was go to camp. Chris: we're going to camp Rach: no we're not. Repeat 3 times(maybe it was more than that). A great time with a great family

Candy Keyoskey - July 03, 2018 at 04:23 PM



“ Rachel I'm so very sorry. He fought so hard and so did you. Rest In Peace Chris. Love you Rach

sonja desmond - July 03, 2018 at 09:01 PM



“ Rachel, you are the strongest person I know and you WILL make Chris proud by continuing to be. Don't forget to lean on the people that want to help you. Be at peace Chris.

Jim Fiorino - July 03, 2018 at 09:07 PM



“ You're stronger than you know Rachel. It's been a tough road. You will get thru it by taking day by day and leaning on friends and family. Chris has no more suffering, may he Rest In Peace. My condolences to you and your family.

hope sherman - July 03, 2018 at 09:31 PM



“ Rachel,

You fought long and hard right next to Chris while taking care of your kids, working and being a great friend to others. You're such a strong woman and truly a great person. Although I can't imagine your pain, take some comfort in knowing that Chris is no longer suffering. I'm always here for you.

Joey Martuscello - July 03, 2018 at 10:03 PM