



Chris McCormack

July 25, 1990 - August 23, 2011

Chris McCormack, 21, of Latham, died in a tragic accident on August 23. He was born on July 25, 1990 and graduated from Shaker High School. He is survived by his parents, Kathy and Chris McCormack; his loving brothers Kevin and Sean; his maternal grandmother, Kay Brennan; and his paternal grandmother, Ann McCormack. He was predeceased by his paternal grandfather, Robert McCormack and his maternal grandfather George Brennan. He is also survived by his aunts, uncles and cousins.

Chris was the love of our life. Writer, musician, comedian and scholar, he was a member of the band Mad Tryst. His goal was to change the world. Last year, he traveled to Cambodia where he taught English and worked at an AIDS orphanage. This changed his view of the world and embedded in him a strong will to help others. He leaves behind his music and his writings, which we will cherish forever. He was to enter his senior year at the New School University in Greenwich Village. He had friends from all walks of life who will miss him. He was living his life to the fullest and died a happy young man that we are so proud of.

Funeral services Monday, August 29, 2011 at 8:45 a.m. from the McVeigh Funeral Home, 208 North Allen Street, Albany, and thence to the Historic Church of St. Mary on Capitol Hill at 9:30 a.m. where a Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated.

Relatives and friends are invited and may call Sunday, August 28, 2011 from 3:00 pm to 7:00 p.m. at the funeral home.

Interment will follow the Mass at St. Agnes Cemetery, Menands.

In lieu of flowers please send donations to The Christopher McCormack Cambodian Children's Fund c/o Ulster Savings Bank, 180 Schwerk Dr., Kingston NY 12401.

Tribute Wall



“ *McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc. created a Tribute Video in memory of Chris McCormack*



McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc. - August 23, 2011 at 12:00 AM



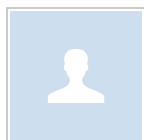
“ *Chris McCormack*

October 08, 2023 at 09:24 PM



“ *Chris was genuine in every sense of the word. His passion for learning, conversing, and listening is what made him a great fellow student. His ability to balance his role as a speaker and a listener made him a great friend. In the brief semester we had gotten to know each other, I felt that he was one who would always be able to grow and therefore help others grow. He will be missed.##imported-begin##Alex Hargrove##imported-end##*

September 06, 2011 at 03:02 PM



“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with everyone.*

Paul, Jessica, Andrew, Emily and Olivia Venditti##imported-begin##Paul Venditti##imported-end##

September 06, 2011 at 10:31 AM



“ *Katy and Chris, We are so sorry to hear about Chris' tragic death. We will keep you and Chris in our prayers##imported-begin##James, Joan and Sarah Murphy##imported-end##*

August 31, 2011 at 02:50 PM



“ *Chris & Kate,*

What can one express in this moment? It is beyond me to adequately capture what you must be feeling. And yet, reading about Chris, it seems he became a wonderful young man of integrity, spirit and hope. His spirit lives on in the people who shared his life, and in the good things he accomplished. There are many of us who have you, your family and Chris in our thoughts and prayers.

*"In one of the stars, I shall be living.
In one of them, I shall be laughing.
And so it will be as if all the stars were laughing
When you look at the sky at night."*

Bob Carreau##imported-begin##Robert Carreau##imported-end##

August 31, 2011 at 02:47 PM



“ *Chris and Family please accept my deepest condolences and know my prayers are with you.*

God Bless

Gus##imported-begin##Gus Kananis##imported-end##

August 30, 2011 at 07:34 PM



“ Dear Kathy and Chris

Our hearts go out to and your family at this time. Although we never had the good fortune to meet Chris, he seemed like a combination of the two fun loving wonderful parents we know. It was very inspiring to see all Chris had accomplished in such a short time and we are sure the future would have been filled with even more proud accomplishments. Please know that although we could not be there in person, our thoughts were with your family and will continue to be with you in the coming months and years.

Love

Mike, Marie Tedaldi and Family##imported-begin##Michael and Marie Tedaldi##imported-end##

August 30, 2011 at 02:24 PM



“ Chris and Kathy,

I was shocked and saddened to hear about Christie. My prayers are with you all of you.##imported-begin##Donna Murphy##imported-end##

August 30, 2011 at 08:44 AM



“ Chris and Kathy. We are so sorry. We love you very much. Bob and Diane##imported-begin##Bob and Diane Rigney##imported-end##

August 30, 2011 at 01:21 AM



“ Dear McCormack Family,

Our deepest condolences on the tragic loss of your son Chris. Every thing we read tells us you raised a loving, wonderful, compassionate and talented young man who was going to change the world. It seems he touched many lives in his 21 years. We hope you find comfort in the many memories you have of Chris and in knowing how many lives he touched. Our prayers and thoughts go out to all of you.

*Denise, Jim and Jeffrey Sheriff
(Jeffrey's a former TAYHA teammate of Kevin's and was also a SJHS/SHS classmate)###imported-begin##Denise Sheriff###imported-end##*

August 29, 2011 at 05:09 PM



“ *I lived with Chris for several months; he was a good person. My thoughts are with his parents, family, and friends.*

Keith D. Mitchell###imported-begin##Keith D. Mitchell###imported-end##

August 29, 2011 at 02:04 PM



“ *Dear Kathy and Chris, My thoughts and prayers are with you, Kevin and Sean as you endure this tragic loss of Chris. I am sorry I was unable to see you today, but I am truly thinking of you and extend my deepest sympathy. Sincerely, BettyNN###imported-begin##Betty Little###imported-end##*

August 28, 2011 at 06:30 PM



“ Kathy and Chris and family

So sorry to learn of your son Chris death. He went to St Pius with our daughter Catherine . I am praying for you at this tough time and I hope you will always be sustained by knowing that he was happy and helping others

Mike Burgess##imported-begin##Michael Burgess##imported-end##

August 28, 2011 at 04:42 PM



“ Our deepest sympathy to you and your family. Our prayers are with you at such a difficult time.##imported-begin##don and kathleen ballint##imported-end##

August 28, 2011 at 01:48 PM



“ Our sincerest and deepest sympathy in your tragic lost of Chris. I can't even imagine the pain and suffering that you are enduring. We were always very fond of Chris and especially enjoyed the elementary years that John and Chris shared together. Our thoughts, prayers, and feelings are with you.

Sincerely,

The Butto Family##imported-begin##John Butto##imported-end##

August 28, 2011 at 11:09 AM



“ Dear McCormack Family.
We are so sadden by your lose and know how difficult this time must be. Chris was a wonderful person with a spirit that will live in all of us. He left behind a remarkable presence in his short life and you all should be very proud of him. To my buddy Kevin and brother Sean, if there is anything you ever need, you know where we are. God speed and may you rest in peace Chris.
Love, the Kassel Family##imported-begin##Coach Kassel,
Jonathan and Jacob Family##imported-end##

August 28, 2011 at 10:59 AM



“ Kathy and Chris,

You've raised a wonderful young man who many will pay tribute to. No greater gift can anyone make. With deepest sympathy and condolences to you and the entire Family.

J. Michael Boxley##imported-begin##J. Michael Boxley##imported-end##

August 28, 2011 at 08:45 AM



“ I didn't know Chris too well, but of all the times I had been around him I can't remember a single time where he was not in a good mood. We talked a lot about politics and life back in his last year of high school, where I got to know him the most. It was always a good time with Chris. He will certainly be missed.##imported-begin##Keegan Hayes##imported-end##

August 27, 2011 at 07:44 PM



“ Margaret and I are so shocked and saddened about Chris' tragic death. we can not comprehend what you and Chris and the kids, indeed the entire family are enduring. know that there are so people who love and care for you. lean on us; you are in our thoughts and prayers.##imported-begin##Larry Scanlon##imported-end##

August 27, 2011 at 06:53 PM



“ Chris, Kathy, and family, We are so sorry to hear of the tragic loss of your wonderfully talented, charming, and handsome son. Katy let our family know as soon as she heard the sad news from Suzy. Please know that we are holding all of you in our thoughts and prayers in this most difficult time.

Love,

Anne (Hyland), Chris, and Allison Woodard##imported-begin##Anne (Hyland) Woodard and family##imported-end##

August 27, 2011 at 06:44 PM



“ Chris, Kathy, Aunt Ann and all- I am so deeply saddened by your loss. Know that my prayers are with you all during this difficult time. Barb##imported-begin##Barb Weiler##imported-end##

August 27, 2011 at 02:39 PM



“ Dear Kathy and Chris, I am so very sorry for your loss. This is too sad for words. You are in my prayers. Sincerely, Geri Reilly, Annie and Megan.##imported-begin##Geri Reilly##imported-end##

August 27, 2011 at 01:07 PM



“ Chris and Kathy:
Our deepest condolences on your loss. May you draw strength from your family and friends during this difficult time. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.
Diane and Peter Stuto##imported-begin##Diane and Peter Stuto##imported-end##

August 27, 2011 at 11:22 AM



“ My deepest condolences to the McCormack family. Please know that your son and brother touched the lives of hundreds of people. You raised him to be an amazing, smart, intellient, and passionate person. I can only hope that his passion will forever live inside of me.
Jayne Bolt, SHS '08##imported-begin##Jayne Bolt##imported-end##

August 27, 2011 at 12:17 AM



“ To Chris's family:

I am so sorry that I won't be able to pay my respects in person; but the weather has prevented my travel. I am absolutely heartbroken for all of you. You know as well as I did that Chris was going to change the world; but I want you to know that he already did. He was one of the most brilliant, charitable, empathizing people I've ever met. He made life a little more colourful and vibrant. He was one of my closest friends and I miss him indescribably.

My sincerest and most heartfelt condolences for your loss.##imported-begin##Ryan Chase##imported-end##

August 26, 2011 at 03:21 PM



“ Kathy,
My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family at this difficult time.##imported-begin##dave stack##imported-end##

August 26, 2011 at 03:08 PM



“ I've never been serious with Chris so I think he'd appreciate this...
Chris- I never thanked you for such a great friendship with me and all of our friends. We have so many stories to share with each other to keep your energy alive. I've felt your presence for the past few days and I never want it to go away. You were such a great and awesome person. You're forever young. I love you and I miss you, McC. I hope to see you someday and reminisce on the past.##imported-begin##Caitlyn Smith##imported-end##

August 26, 2011 at 01:05 PM



“ Dear Kathy and Chris. I am truly sorry to hear about your son. We have gone through this many years ago with my wife's sister who passed the same way. Our prayers and thoughts are with you and your entire family. Please know there are many people thinking about you and wish you well in the coming days, months and years... Our condolences go out to you.. The Grens in Jamestown.##imported-begin##Jon P Gren Jr##imported-end##

August 26, 2011 at 10:21 AM



“ Chris and Kathy - I am so sorry to hear of your tragic loss. I wanted to let you know that you and your family are in our prayers and thoughts. We are here for you in every way.
Nick Manis##imported-begin##Nick Manis##imported-end##

August 26, 2011 at 10:14 AM



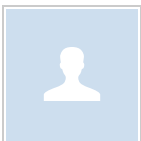
“ We were devastated to hear about Chris.He was a great person and will be desperately missed.Stefen is over in Afghanistan and is heartbroken as well.May God Bless you and your family.##imported-begin##Fran,Darcy,Stefen,and Evan Scarlata##imported-end##

August 26, 2011 at 08:34 AM



“ Dear Kathy & Chris & Family,
we are at a loss for words to express how shocked and saddened we are to hear of the loss of Chris. We pray that you find some comfort in the many memories you have of Chris. Our profound sympathy and condolences to you and your family. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.##imported-begin##Debi & Steve jackson##imported-end##

August 26, 2011 at 08:25 AM



“ Dear Kathy, Chris and your entire family, Our words are inadequate, but our love and prayers are with you all. Carla and Kevin Williams##imported-begin##Carla and Kevin Williams##imported-end##

August 26, 2011 at 08:19 AM



“ Dear Kathy and family,
My heart goes out to all of you at this time of tragic loss. I hope you can take comfort in your wonderful memories. Know that you have the love and support of many. You and Chris will be in my thoughts and prayers.
June##imported-begin##June O'Neill##imported-end##

August 26, 2011 at 07:40 AM



“ *But for those first affections,
Those shadowy recollections,
Which, be they what they may,
Are yet the fountain-light of all our day,
Are yet a master-light of all our seeing;
Uphold us, cherish, and have power to make
Our noisy years seem moments in the being
Of the eternal Silence: truths that wake,
To perish never:
Which neither listlessness, nor mad endeavour,
Nor Man nor Boy,
Nor all that is at enmity with joy,
Can utterly abolish or destroy!
Hence in a season of calm weather
Though inland far we be,
Our souls have sight of that immortal sea
Which brought us hither,
Can in a moment travel thither,
And see the children sport upon the shore,
And hear the mighty waters rolling evermore.*

-- William Wordsworth

*Ode: Intimations of Immortality from Recollections of Early
Childhood##imported-begin##Maryann Riviello Brennan##imported-
end##*

August 26, 2011 at 06:39 AM



“ No words can express how saddened we are by your devastating loss. Our prayers and love to you .God Bless

*Kathleen .Jack.Niall,Cormac,Aoife and Shauna
Coolgreany,Co Wexford###imported-begin##Kathleen Brennan-
Kelly###imported-end##*

August 26, 2011 at 05:08 AM



“ Our heartfelt condolences go out to you and your family. Our thoughts and prayers are with you. May each passing day help heal your pain.###imported-begin##Michele & Dave Hasso###imported-end##

August 25, 2011 at 07:57 PM



“ Dear Kathy, Chris, and the entire extended McCormack-Brennan family,
The enormity of your loss is incomprehensible. As you mourn Chris' passing, may the love of God, family and friends sustain you and help see you through to better days. With much love, we send our deepest condolences, Kathy & Alicia###imported-begin##Kathy Fitzgerald###imported-end##

August 25, 2011 at 06:16 PM



“ I am deeply sorry or your loss. Chris was a great person and an awesome friend. I will truly miss him dearly. I sympathy and loves goes to you on this tragic day. God bless you.###imported-begin##Mark Jensen###imported-end##

August 25, 2011 at 04:23 PM



“ No words can describe or help with loss, just prayers and love. Know that you will be surrounded with both. Christie's smile was unending!##imported-begin##Patti Weissenburger Jensen##imported-end##

August 25, 2011 at 04:18 PM



“ Kathy, A blanket of sadness has taken over all those who care about you. These tragedies never make sense but we're praying that the god of all comfort will cover you and your precious family through this difficult time and everyday forward.##imported-begin##Grisel & James Davis##imported-end##

August 25, 2011 at 02:37 PM



“ Chris and Kathy,

There are no words to express our sadness in your loss, you are in our thoughts and prays everyday to help guide you through this time of tragedy.

Love the Mercier Family##imported-begin##Todd and Katie Kettle Mercier ##imported-end##

August 25, 2011 at 12:14 PM