



Christopher Anthony Bovenzi

August 11, 1962 - July 14, 2015

Wynantskill-Christopher Anthony Bovenzi courageously fought an eight-year battle with cancer and passed on to eternal life with his beloved Savior on July 14, 2015. Chris was born in Syracuse, NY on August 11, 1962, to Peter and Elizabeth Bovenzi. In his boyhood, Chris mastered skills in theatre, photography and dirt bike riding. Chris met his cherished wife, Kari, during his first days as a student at the University at Buffalo; it was there that he also began his pursuit of his professional dreams to become an architect, and most importantly, surrendered his heart to Jesus.

After graduating with his Master's in Architecture from MIT, Chris applied his creative genius to his own architecture firm, CAB Architects, in which he was in business for 25 years. In addition to working as an architect, Lieutenant Bovenzi took his place as one of the heroes of our day, serving over twenty years in the Albany Fire Department.

Chris poured his life into God and his family. He took great pleasure in supporting his children's pursuits and never turned down a request for help on homework. He enriched their lives with countless books, trips to the library, delicious Italian meals, and improvised bedtime stories (many of which featured a character called "three-fingered Louie"). His generosity, attention to detail, and wisdom influenced countless lives. He launched his three children into fulfilling lives, equipping each of them with good humor, wisdom, and

spiritual and emotional security. He passionately loved his wife and faithfully provided for her during their twenty-nine years of marriage.

Chris was a man who never complained and always had a positive outlook in life. His family is honored to have been "Living the Dream" (Psalm 37:4) with him every day.

Chris is survived by his wife, Kari; children, Elivia, Charlotte Skiff (Victor), and Elijah; grandchildren, Titus and Dante Skiff; siblings, Marc Bovenzi, Elisa Bovenzi Gironda, and Peter Bovenzi; nieces and nephews; and many dear friends.

Chris' family would like to thank Anthem Health Services, Eddy VNA, and Elizabeth Hanlon for her professionalism, compassion, and expertise during their time of need.

Funeral services Thursday, July 23, 2015 at 10:00 am in the McVeigh Funeral Home, 208 North Allen Street, Albany and at 11:00 am at Grace Fellowship Church, Latham. Interment will immediately follow the Service at Eagle Mills Cemetery, Brunswick.

Relatives and friends are invited and may visit with Christopher's family Wednesday, July 22, 2014 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm in the funeral home.

To leave a message for the family, obtain directions, light a candle or view other helpful services, please visit www.McveighFuneralHome.com

Cemetery Details

Eagle Mills Cemetery

Brunswick, NY

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 22. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc.
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Albany, NY 12206
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Service

JUL 23. 11:00 AM (ET)

Grace Fellowship Church
20 Delatour Road
Latham, NY 12110

Tribute Wall



“ *McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc. created a Tribute Video in memory of Christopher Anthony Bovenzi*



McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc. - July 20, 2015 at 02:58 PM

EG

Beautiful slide show! Such sweet memories!

Elisa Bovenzi Gironda - July 21, 2015 at 11:20 PM

DB

I was very saddened and shocked to hear of Chris' passing. I only knew him as the architect of my sunroom but I knew he was a gentle soul the minute I met him. The whole time he was at my house, my cat kept nuzzling him too, as though he knew Chris was special. That was 8 years ago and his work has been greatly admired since. Sending you all healing and peace for your loss.

Diane E Bollinger - November 03, 2015 at 10:34 AM



“ *Christopher Anthony Bovenzi*

October 08, 2023 at 09:24 PM

MO

“ *May the words at Isaiah 25:8 bring you comfort " He will swallow up death forever, And the Sovereign Lord Jehovah will wipe away the tears from all faces."*

Montana - August 20, 2015 at 04:37 PM

ER

“ Was sorry to hear of Chris' passing...He fought the good fight...courageously...God's peace to the Bovenzi family. Erin Livolsi

erinlivolsi - July 29, 2015 at 10:34 AM

LI

“ Dr. Bovenzi and family,

Our heartfelt sympathies for your loss. We know what a special person you are, Kari, and we are sure your husband was equally wonderful. May your faith and your family help you through this difficult time.

*Fondly,
Libby, Alex, Remi & Luke Detschelt*

Libby - July 22, 2015 at 07:37 PM

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McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc. - July 22, 2015 at 09:10 AM

EG

“ *My brother Christopher was a deep thinking, strong feeling, intelligent man of many skills and talents who shared of himself with humility and generosity. He desired and strived to lead his family to their God given potential and destiny. He was a man of honesty, integrity and loyalty that is rare and heart warming. I am sad for his earthly departure, glad for his faith in eternal life, and honored and blessed to have been Christopher's sister!*

Elisa Bovenzi Gironda - July 21, 2015 at 11:10 PM



“ *Cheeseboard Complete was purchased for the family of Christopher Anthony Bovenzi.*



July 21, 2015 at 10:53 PM

TS

“ *My Dear Christopher , All though it has been many years I will never forget the times we had on Mayer St in Syracuse, My parents and your parents got together religiously, which kept us close, I often wonder how beautiful it could have been for our children to grow up together. To young to quick my cousin, With all of our love in Jesus name, your cousin, your friend and most of all my FAMILY....*
Terry

Terence Santy - July 21, 2015 at 07:17 PM

KH

“ We will always remember Chris as a gentle, godly man who treasured his family. Chris was a loving father and has three great kids and two Grandkids who are his legacy. Kari, you will miss your Christopher now...but just imagine how awesome it will be to see him one day and dance together before Jesus! May His peace surround and comfort you.
Wally and Katie Hills

Katie Hills - July 21, 2015 at 03:56 AM

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“ 52 files added to the album Life Tributes



McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc. - July 20, 2015 at 02:40 PM

RB

“ *Kari & Family,
Karen and I are saddened by Chris' passing ("Homegoing") and with deepest sympathy we extend our condolences. The many years that I've know Chris and had the pleasure and honor to have worked with him professionally, Side-by-side as only God could have fashioned our Architect-Engineer relationship (way back on Ramo St. and the "diaper days"). Oh, how I will miss Chris and our lunch meetings and conversations to catch up - how we talked about how proud he was of his children and their many accomplishments and endeavors. Chris, may you enjoy your place at the joyous banquet with our Lord! (Luke 14:15-23) and in that room our Savior has prepared for you (a room with a view I might add) (John 14:1-3). Finally, it's because of Jesus that I can say, "See you later, my friend!"
Love,
Ron & Karen Bova*

Ronald & Karen Bova - July 20, 2015 at 01:34 PM

AK

“ *Kari and Family, words could not express how sorry we are with the news of Chris's passing. We will always remember Chris as a great friend, a man of integrity, honesty, and an example of how a Christian man should live. He rarely complained and was uplifting and encouraging. We know that he is now in the presence of our mighty God and without pain and suffering. He leaves us many fond memories and our lives are better off just for knowing him. Alex & Karen Kapczynski*

Alex & Karen Kapczynski - July 19, 2015 at 08:54 PM

CH

“ Heartfelt sympathy to your family. My husband shared a business relation with Chris. He had great respect for him as an architect and a genuinely good man. My husband passed away 3 years ago. Chris was a support during his illness. In memory of two good men.

Cheryl Houghton

Cheryl Houghton - July 19, 2015 at 08:25 AM

JW

“ CHRIS AN I SHARED A LOT OF LAUGHS WHILE ON THE SQUAD. HE WAS A TRUE FRIEND AN WILL MISS HIM. MY DEEPEST CONDOLENCES TO KARI AN THE KIDS . THERE WAS ONLY ONE CHRIS AN I FEEL BLESSED TO SHARE HIS TIME ON EARTH

JOHN WITTIG - July 18, 2015 at 08:45 PM

DD

“ To the Bovenzi family,
My deepest condolences for your loss of Chris. I enjoyed working with him in the FD. The man carried an innate dignity and was a source of inspiration to myself and others.
Dan Doherty Capt., AFD(ret).

Daniel Doherty - July 18, 2015 at 11:14 AM



“ Sacred Duty Spray was purchased for the family of Christopher Anthony Bovenzi.



July 18, 2015 at 10:29 AM

MD

“ *Kari and family,
So many memories flood our minds as I think back to Loudonville
Christian, you being our pediatrician and Chris being our architect
for our home, the banquets for Alpha Crisis Pregnancy. Our hearts
break for your "temporary good-bye". All our hugs and prayers are
sent your way during this numb time. Love, Larry and Marianne
DiNovo*

Marianne DiNovo - July 17, 2015 at 03:28 PM



“ *Kari & Family, So sorry for your loss. What a very special person
Chris was. He will always be remembered by myself & my family.
Our prayers go out to you all. Donna Lieberman & Friends from
Kiskis tire*

Donna Lieberman - July 16, 2015 at 06:06 PM

JC

“ *I had the honor of meeting Christopher several months ago.
Although we only had a small amount of time to get acquainted, I'm
grateful to have had that. I felt his genuine kindness and warmth as
we talked. He spoke about Kari and how he knew she was the love
of his life when they first met. What a wonderful man.
Love and prayers
Jeannine Clary*

jeannine clary - July 16, 2015 at 05:05 PM

MD

“ *Bovenzi Family,
I had the privilege to know Christ for many years through AXA. He always had a smile and remained positive and courageous through his fight. He spoke with great pride about his family, specifically Kari's practice and his children's education and success. We will miss Chris and he will live on through the lives of each of you. You are his greatest gift to this world....his lasting legacy that will be passed down through your passion for life.*

God Bless

Matt Duddy, Lamar Advertising

matt duddy - July 16, 2015 at 02:02 PM

CV

“ *Kari and family,
Please accept my condolences during this most difficult time. I am so sorry to hear of this sad news. May the memories and love you are surrounded with help you through this difficult time. God Bless!
-Christine VanDenburgh and family*

Christine VanDenburgh - July 16, 2015 at 09:48 AM