



Christopher Burnett

June 26, 1964 - September 3, 2021

Delmar- Christopher E. Burnett, 57, entered Eternal Life peacefully Friday, September 3, 2021, with Char Shortsleeve, his longtime companion by his side.

Born in Albany, New York on June 26, 1964 to the late Elizabeth (Kilmartin) and Eugene Burnett. Brother to Kimberly Burnett and Joshua (Kerry) Burnett, uncle to nieces Peyton and Breton.

A decorated graduate of CBA ('81), Chris's intelligence, variety of interests and talents availed him many careers, his last with DC9 Painters Union. He was a free spirit with a larger than life personality and lived life on his own terms.

A private service will be held. Donations may be made to the American Heart Association.

To leave a message for the family please visit www.McveighFuneralHome.com

Cemetery Details

St. Agnes Cemetery

48 Cemetery Ave
Menands, NY

Tribute Wall



“ *Christopher Burnett*

October 08, 2023 at 09:24 PM



“ *Very sad to learn of Chris' passing. He and I were best friends in high school, and had more adventures than I can count. He was an athlete, an academic, rock n roller, and had his own ideas for what he wanted to do, and where he wanted to go. 288 Lark was a regular spot for us for a long time. Although we drifted apart after high school, like many people do, I thought about Chris many times over the years, and hoped he was doing good, while remembering all of the things we enjoyed back in the day. Rest In Peace my friend. Prayers and thoughts to the family.*
Joe Yakel

joe yakel - October 31, 2021 at 08:18 PM



“ *My deepest condolences. He was a special person. I will miss him. I met him years ago when he worked at the Hilton with Phil Pellegrino (Billy Clayton). Chris was so charming and handsome. then I met him again through Uncle Paul Kilmartin. I am so sad.*
Watch over your sister she needs you



Gail Roberts - September 14, 2021 at 10:06 AM

RG

I'm shocked and saddened to hear of Chris's passing. My deepest condolences to his family. I met Chris back in the 80s. He was one of the sweetest guys I knew I'll never forget the adventures we had back in the day, and consider myself to be lucky to survive, when Chris helped me move back to Albany in the mid 90s. He must have been driving 100 miles an hour, going thru Route 28 headed north. I was never so scared in my life, holding on for dear life as the van sped down the windy road. To Chris, well, he was just driving, and, apparently, that's how he drove. His life was like that. He always took chances. I don't believe there was much of anything that scared him! Chris was certainly a character, whose life I was happy to know. I'm sorry, but it seems as though he left too soon. Rest In Peace, my old young friend.

Rosa Gabe - September 27, 2021 at 09:17 PM

JE

“ *Gene....my condolence on your loss....friend*

Joe Early - September 13, 2021 at 03:30 PM

DL

“ *I wish there was some way we could help console you at a time when a child you have birthed and raised is taken. If there is anyway to help ease your loss please let us know, Pat and I can still recall the times our families went skiing together watching as Chris and Kim scrambled to conquer the hills, falling and bouncing back to try again and again.
Let the good thoughts live on in our minds and he will be with us forever.*

*Your Cuz
Rich and Pat Lynch*

Dick Lynch - September 11, 2021 at 12:42 PM

MK

“ Kim, I am so sorry that Chris has passed at such a young age. Although it's been decades since I last saw him, I still have fond memories of running around together on Van Rensselaer Blvd. and doing all the stupid things that kids do. Honestly, I thought of Chris a week ago and remembered how he would have to cut outside playtime short to go inside for his piano lesson. That seemed strange at the time but lately I was wishing I had been steered in that direction as well! Chris was a good friend and a good guy to grow up with. I wish you peace.

Mark Kulzer - September 10, 2021 at 06:39 PM

VM

“ My heartfelt condolences to Kim and Josh and to all of the family. I will keep you in thought and prayer.
Victoria

Victoria O. Milne - September 10, 2021 at 01:08 PM

VM

“ It is hard to imagine a world without Chris in it. He was one-of-a-kind. He had so much spunk and a heart of gold. When you were his friend, you knew you could always count on him no matter what!!!!!!!!!!!!!! If he had a lot to give, he gave it and if he had only a little, he still shared whatever he had.



We met in 1981, through a Mercy HS friend and since then he has never been far from my heart. Sometimes we lost touch, even for many years, but I always tried to keep up to date on his adventures through a mutual friend.

The many memories we shared always brought joy. My family and children have enjoyed hearing so many of these stories through the years. Chris is famous to them:) Now I will continue to cherish these memories for the rest of my life.

In H.S. Chris and I enjoyed being together with friends hanging out driving around in their cars. We had fun at Mercy/CBA Events, dancing to a friend's uncle's band, celebrating his graduation, and watching the Shriner's Circus, to name a few. In later years we hung out at HVCC, on Church Road, Morton Ave., 288, QE2, Cahoots, or even on the phone, it was always great.

I will never forget his voice, smile, laugh, or friendship! Or the motorcycle ride on my 18th birthday to 288.

Char: When I learned of this today I was filled with shock and deep, deep sadness. The only comfort came from seeing that you were by Chris's side, as you have been for so many years. I know how much your love meant to him. Please keep in touch so we can share more of the memories of this extraordinary human being and keep his legacy alive.

Victoria O. Milne

Victoria O. Milne - September 10, 2021 at 01:06 PM

CS

“ *My heart is broken* 💔



Charlene Shortsleeve - September 10, 2021 at 09:09 AM