



## Christopher Jude Meleco

March 26, 1981 - May 2, 2024

Loudonville, NY-Christopher Jude Meleco of Manhattan, 43, entered eternal life on May 2, 2024, after a cardiac event. He was born at St. Peter's Hospital in Albany on March 26, 1981, and was raised & educated in East Greenbush. After graduating in 1999 from Columbia High School, he attended Bentley College in Waltham, MA. While at Bentley, Christopher traveled to Merida, Mexico for his study abroad semester; this led him to his two-year hotel management career in Cancun after graduation. Upon his return, he led a successful career in real estate at Douglas Elliman in Manhattan and built a beautiful life in New York City.

In 2009, Christopher found his passion for the culinary industry and was accepted into the French Culinary Institute in Manhattan. After his graduation in 2011, he embarked on a successful 13-year career as a chef across multiple restaurants, hotels and businesses, while also becoming a successful private chef for many clients in Manhattan and the Hamptons. He was most recently employed by Wellness in the Schools, a federal grant program in New York City, created to teach nutrition to food services staff supporting the NYC school district. He was also an active member of St. Cecilia's Catholic Church, leading their annual children's coat drive.

Christopher's passion for cooking and the love he had for his family and friends, could be seen in everything that he did. His enthusiasm for the

holidays typically started about six months before the holiday itself, with the menu planned that included everyone's favorites. He created laughter and memories wherever he went and for whomever he was with.

Christopher is the beloved son of Vincent Sr. & Karen Tremblay Meleco of Loudonville, NY. He is survived by his brothers Vincent Meleco Jr. of Ave Maria, FL, Matthew Meleco of Bonita Springs, FL and Steven (Meaghan) Meleco of Albany, NY. Christopher also leaves behind his beloved nephew & godson, Joseph Jude Meleco. In addition, Christopher is survived by his aunts & uncles, Godmother Mary Ann (John) Schepisi, John Wojick Sr., Patrick (Mary) Meleco, Michael (Mary) Meleco and Mary Ann Casale, along with numerous cousins, whom he loved dearly. He also leaves many close friends in both Albany & Manhattan including Stephen Chesley, Keira VanVranken, Dina Montes and Ashlea Denison.

Christopher was predeceased by his maternal grandparents, Henry & Margaret Tremblay, paternal grandparents, Charles & Marie Meleco, his aunt, Judith Wojick and cousin, Jason Wojick.

Relatives and friends are invited to visit with Christopher's family Thursday, May 9, 2024 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm at McVeigh Funeral Home, 208 North Allen Street, Albany, NY 12206. Please enter the funeral home from the rear parking lot entrance only.

Funeral services Friday, May 10, 2024 at 10:30 am at St. Pius X Church, Loudonville, NY where his Funeral Mass will be celebrated.

The Mass can be viewed at <https://www.stpiusxloudonville.org/livestream>

The Rite of Committal will be held at Our Lady of Angels Cemetery immediately following the Mass.

To leave a special message for the family please visit [www.McveighFuneralHome.com](http://www.McveighFuneralHome.com)

In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to St. Jude's Hospital or a charity of your choosing.

# Cemetery Details

## Our Lady of Angels Cemetery

1389 Central Ave  
Albany, NY

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY **9**. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc.  
208 N Allen St  
Albany, NY 12206  
(518) 489-0188  
[info@mcveighfuneralhome.com](mailto:info@mcveighfuneralhome.com)  
<http://www.McveighFuneralHome.com>

## Service

MAY **10**. 10:30 AM (ET)

St. Pius X Church  
23 Crumitie Rd  
Loudonville, NY 12211  
(518) 462-1336

# Tribute Wall



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



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**McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc.** - May 09, 2024 at 10:26 AM

WE

*Christopher's Wellness in the Schools family will continue to honor his memory every day towards this mission that he so passionately was proud of. He is so very missed already but we will keep his name, his energy, and all that he was front and center of who we are as an organization. He was such a vital member of our team. We love you, Christopher. Rest in Power.  
-- Wellness in the Schools*

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**Wendy** - May 13, 2024 at 08:03 AM

EG

“ *Emily G. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Christopher Jude Meleco.*

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**Emily G.** - May 12, 2024 at 07:34 AM

MT

“ *Miles T. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Christopher Jude Meleco.*

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**Miles T.** - May 10, 2024 at 11:36 AM

MT

“ As this loss is a painful moment in time. It will be his unyielding respect, love and value for life and people. Always wanting to understand and grow and never missing an opportunity to be a better human being. I say to you FRIEND Thank You.  
Miles T. WITS

Miles Toussant - May 10, 2024 at 11:31 AM

MT

“ Miles Toussant sent a virtual gift in memory of Christopher Jude Meleco



Miles Toussant - May 10, 2024 at 12:15 AM

MT

*It was a privilege and honor sharing with you. See you again friend.*

Miles Toussant - May 10, 2024 at 12:18 AM

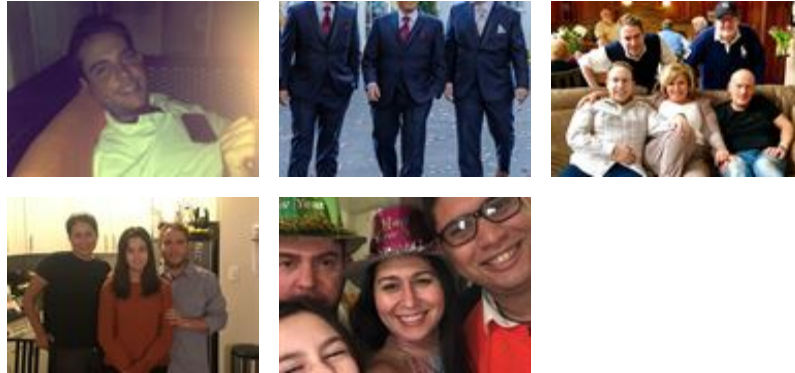
ED

“ My dear friend Karen, Vince and family, I am so very saddened to read this and can't imagine the devastation you are all feeling. Please know that you are all in my heart and prayers. Sending love and light ❤️. Ellen Bottum Dulberg

ellen dulberg - May 09, 2024 at 01:03 PM



“ 74 files added to the album Life Tributes



McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc. - May 09, 2024 at 10:24 AM

CW

“ Charris W. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Christopher Jude Meleco.

Charris W. - May 08, 2024 at 09:27 PM

MM

“ Our hearts broke when we lost our beautiful ray of sunshine. Chris bought so much laughter and happiness to everyone who knew him. He had a heart of gold. He had such great talent in everything he touched, His star will shine brightly for eternity in the evening sky. Fly high with the angels Chris and rest in eternal peace with Jesus.



Love you ,, Uncle Mike and Aunt Mary Meleco

Mary & Mike Meleco - May 08, 2024 at 06:26 PM

MD

“ Dearest Karen, Vince and the Meleco brothers and family:

*Please accept my sincerest condolences on the loss of Christopher. May the almighty give you strength to go through these difficult times. I will pray for your strength to endure. Thinking of you all during this time of great sorrow.*

*I'm so very sorry for your loss.*

*Maureen Daley*

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**Maureen Daley** - May 08, 2024 at 04:37 PM

MB

“ *Martin & Jamie Banson purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of Christopher Jude Meleco.*



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**Martin & Jamie Banson** - May 08, 2024 at 12:36 PM

CM

“ *Dear Karen, Vince and family, Please accept my deepest condolences for the loss of your beloved son and brother. There are no words to properly express to the deep sadness you must be feeling. May Our Lord and His blessed Mother comfort you in your time of grief. You are all in my prayers. Christine Geleta Marro*

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**Christine Geleta Marro** - May 08, 2024 at 11:05 AM



“ Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of Christopher Jude Meleco.



May 08, 2024 at 09:07 AM



“ Love, John & Gail Kinzelmann & Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Christopher Jude Meleco.

Love, John & Gail Kinzelmann & Family - May 08, 2024 at 09:07 AM



“ Red Tulips and White Iris (Silk Cemetery Flowers) was purchased for the family of Christopher Jude Meleco.



May 08, 2024 at 02:49 AM



“ J. A planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Christopher Jude Meleco.

J. A - May 08, 2024 at 02:49 AM

BM

“ Chris was the master at making people laugh and making any situation funny. There are so many wonderful memories of Chris! He would call me and we would laugh and laugh-hard to get off the phone with him!!! What a beautiful soul and a tragic loss to this world! Forever loved and forever missed!

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**Barbara Mento** - May 07, 2024 at 04:52 PM

TC

“ You were unique when we were young , you shined so bright  
May you twinkle above us all now ..  
T Peace

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**Tavayia Lashae Cole** - May 07, 2024 at 04:43 PM

TF

“ The Amyot and Comiskey Families purchased  
the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of  
Christopher Jude Meleco.



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**The Amyot and Comiskey Families** - May 07, 2024 at 04:13 PM

MH

“ Dear Vince, Karen, Steve, Meaghan, Joseph and all the family, Please accept our most loving condolences. We are so very sorry for this tragic loss of Christopher. We feel so blessed we had the opportunity to meet and visit with him at Joseph’s baptism. He was so warm, kind and caring. Words cannot express how sad we are for this immense loss to your entire family and friends. We are praying for you all and know that Christopher will live in all your hearts forever. May he rest in eternal peace.

*Much love and prayers, Mark, Maria Elena, Christian, Mark & Alex*

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**Maria Elena Hamm** - May 07, 2024 at 01:51 PM

MM

“ Mark, Maria Elena & family & Mary purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Christopher Jude Meleco.



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**Mark, Maria Elena & family & Mary** - May 07, 2024 at 01:44 PM

AD

“ Christopher lit up a room since he was 5 years old. He was a funny warm and engaging young man who spoke through a perpetual smile. I know his beautiful family will bask in his light forever. Love Always, The DeSimone family

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**Angela DeSimone** - May 07, 2024 at 10:24 AM

SW

“ Susan W. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Christopher Jude Meleco.

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**Susan W.** - May 07, 2024 at 07:11 AM

TL

“ Chris was a cheerful and friendly person i appreciated. Even after a long disconnect we were able to catch up like no time had passed. Joking and filling in all the gaps with experiences and memories that made us who we are. I will not forget the celebration of our birthday in march style 1 day apart. I must say thank you to your family for sharing you. I know Chris has impacted many people in time he was alive. You will be missed.

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**Trudy Lewis** - May 06, 2024 at 10:21 PM

KL

“ Karen and Vince,

*So shocked and saddened to hear the passing of your beloved son, Chris!*

*Our most sincere sympathies to you both and to all those who loved him!*

*May the words of sympathy from friends bring you come comfort!  
Chris made the BEST biscotti!*

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**Kathleen & Robert Luria** - May 06, 2024 at 09:01 PM

ML

“ Vince, Karen and family, We are so very sorry for your loss. You are all in our thoughts and prayers. Much love, Shell and Tony

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**Michele Lofrumento** - May 06, 2024 at 08:46 PM

DT

“ To the entire Meleco Family, I am so very sorry to hear about the loss of Chris. He was a fantastic classmate, and very humble. If I remember correctly, the first time we met before middle and high school was when we went to church at St. Michael's in Troy many years ago. I sincerely hope that solace comes from the fact that he was a wonderful son, brother, nephew, grandson, godson, godfather, and classmate who lit up the room whenever he was present. Rest In Peace, Chris, thank you for being who you were and working hard in all that you did in life. With condolences,  
Dolores Todaro

Dolores Todaro - May 06, 2024 at 08:29 PM

YC

“ Yolanda C. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Christopher Jude Meleco.

Yolanda C. - May 06, 2024 at 08:25 PM

TD

“ The entire Meleco Family,  
Our deepest condolences and most heartfelt sympathy goes out to the entire family. May God be with all of during this most sorrowful time. God Bless. RIP Chris.

Thomas DiMezza - May 06, 2024 at 08:07 PM

MB

“ Mike Bello purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Christopher Jude Meleco.



Mike Bello - May 06, 2024 at 07:18 PM

MB

“ Mike Bello planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Christopher Jude Meleco.

Mike Bello - May 06, 2024 at 07:18 PM



“ Rainbow Of Remembrance Spray was purchased for the family of Christopher Jude Meleco.



May 06, 2024 at 04:40 PM

SF

“ Steve and Chris Chesley and Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Christopher Jude Meleco.

Steve and Chris Chesley and Family - May 06, 2024 at 04:40 PM