



Christine Torry

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Christine Torry, 62, died on Weds., May 12, 2021 at Decatur Memorial Hospital.

Chris was born in Decatur on January 30, 1959, to Bill and Glenna Torry. She graduated from MacArthur High School and worked in several local businesses before going to work for her parents at the Bourbon Barrel Lounge, now Bourbon Barrel Bar & Grill, co-owned by Chris and her younger sister, Kim Torry. Chris also was employed by Akorn Pharmaceutical. Over the years, Chris volunteered extensively in Decatur Public Schools and with Relay for Life. She was a member of The Vineyard Church in Sullivan, where she found a supportive home base for her faith journey.

Chris had a big heart and she was a born caregiver. Her life's greatest joy was being a mother to her daughter, Jennifer, who died in 2019. Chris was devoted to her three grandchildren: Hayli Fielden of Mt. Pulaski, Donovan Frank of Mt. Pulaski and Gunner Frank of Decatur. Her grandchildren survive her, along with her sisters Karen Torry and Kim Torry; her 'adopted' daughter, Amanda Moran, her fur baby Bruno, her former husband Mike Frank, her Bourbon Barrel family, and many, many beloved friends from childhood, church, work and other parts of



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her life.

Chris faced many challenges in her life, including chronic pain, health issues and the loss of her daughter, but she worked — through faith and through therapy, she always said — to face life with honesty and with hope. A few months ago, confronting a life-changing diagnosis, she told her sister, “I have been so blessed. I have so much to be grateful for.”

May her words guide all of us who loved her as we move forward without her.
Graveside Memorial service will be noon Monday, May 17, 2021 at Graceland Cemetery.

Arrangements by Graceland Fairlawn Funeral Home 2091 Oakland Ave, Decatur, IL 62526.
Condolences and memories may be shared at www.gracelandfairlawn.com

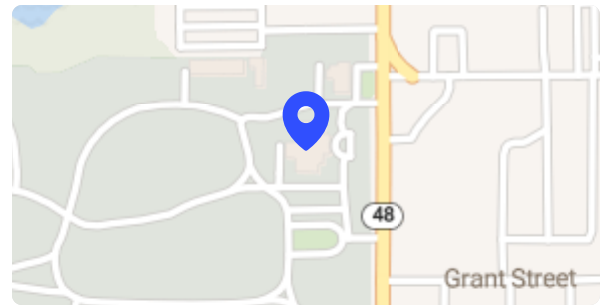


Graveside Memorial Service

Monday, May 17, 2021

12:00 PM CT

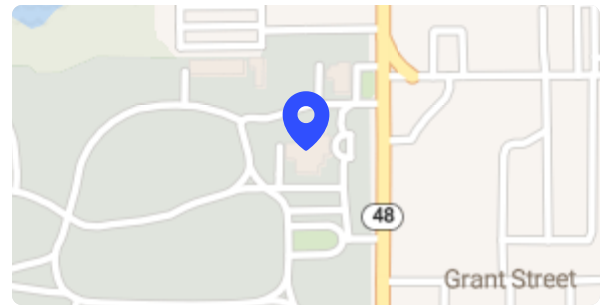
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2091 N. Oakland Avenue, Decatur IL 62526



Cemetery Details

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(217) 615-0724





Tribute Wall

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AD

Amy Delise lit a candle in honor of Christine.

It was always fun helping you and your family decorate the bourbon barrel. You are missed by so many.

October 6 at 9:11 PM



MM

Melissa Michel lit a candle in honor of Christine.

I have known Chris for several years.. I went to school with her daughter Jennifer.. always so kind she always had a smile on her face.. we would always share baseball stories as you know she is a big cardinal fan. Over the past year or so I was really struggling with anxiety and she would send me uplifting messages everyday that I would listen to start my day.. she really helped me alot through it.. I sure do miss her.. fly high with Jennifer.. my thoughts and prayers go out to your family.. you are missed Chris.. ❤️

May 19 at 3:36 PM



Courtney Ferriell posted:

I have been blessed to know Chris for 20 years. When I worked at Skeff Distributing, I got the pleasure of working with her at The Bourbon Barrel for many years. Then I became a teacher and she was a wonderful volunteer and helped run our PTO and always present for her granddaughter. We have always stayed in touch over the years. Recently she opened up to me about her diagnosis and we both shared our health issues and things we have faced. We began supporting each other through our journey to get healthy and would often swap recipes and just encourage each other. She messaged me on April 25th for the last time to ask for prayers because she had covid. I know she was a faith filled woman who loved her daughter SO much. She will be extremely missed on Earth but my prayer is that she is healed and holding Jennifer in her arms. Chris will never be forgotten and her spirit, and constant love for others will live on.

May 17 at 1:29 PM

KJ

Kirk Jurgens posted:

Chris was a shining light and I am sure she still is! I am blessed to have known her. Enjoy Heaven Chris and I know you will be rooting on the Cardinals from above!

May 17 at 7:24 AM



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Jl

Jill lit a candle in honor of Christine.

May 16 at 2:13 AM



SG

Susan Wallace Good posted:

My cousin Chris was a special person she will be missed by so many. She had a huge heart and would give you the shirt off her back. I will miss her antidotes like "it's summer time be sure to shave those toes it is sandal weather." When I needed someone for advice she was always happy to listen. I hadn't talked to her for awhile, I wish I had resolved our issues but I know that all is forgiven because that is just the way she was. I miss and love her.

May 15 at 6:57 PM

SG

Susan Wallace Good shared 13 photos to the **Tribute Wall** album.

Chris and her family meant the world to them. Here are just a few photos of her family I hope that you enjoy.

May 13 at 6:46 AM



CK

Cyndi Kostenski posted:

So happy that I had the pleasure of doing her home loan for her. She was so proud of purchasing her own home. She will be missed.

May 14 at 10:56 AM

KP

Keri Pool lit a candle in honor of Christine.

May 13 at 12:37 PM





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LH

Lori Hodges posted:

What a great Nana and grandma. She wanted her grandkids to have memories and they sure do. So do I. Chris was as marveled at my joy from our vacations and trips as I was. She never really new I felt like a big kid because she let me enjoy them and my children. She helped me teach them to never take a moment for granted and appreciate all. She insisted on appreciation and hugs and thank yous. She set me straight many times. And helped me through so much.. We never let anyone stop our fun. I miss her. I miss her and Jennifer bickering over well, anything. Pajama days, Christmas movies in July, how she loved my pasta salad. So so much. And yes. There were times I finally felt like I was a daughter. What being a daughter felt like. I will always show pics and let these boys know about Nana and aunt Jenni! How could I forget!!!

May 13 at 8:33 AM

SJ

Sherri Jones lit a candle in honor of Christine.



May 13 at 6:48 AM

RH

Regina Hart lit a candle in honor of Christine.

She was the BEST!



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Your Mother
Although you cannot hear her voice or see her smile no more,
your mother walks beside you still just as she did before.
She listens to your stories and she wipes away your tears;
she wrap her arms around you and she understand your fears.
It's just she isn't visible to see with human eye, but talk to her in
silence and her spirit will reply.
You'll feel the love she has for you - you'll hear her in your heart;
she's left her human body but your souls will never part.

LifeLearnedFeelngs



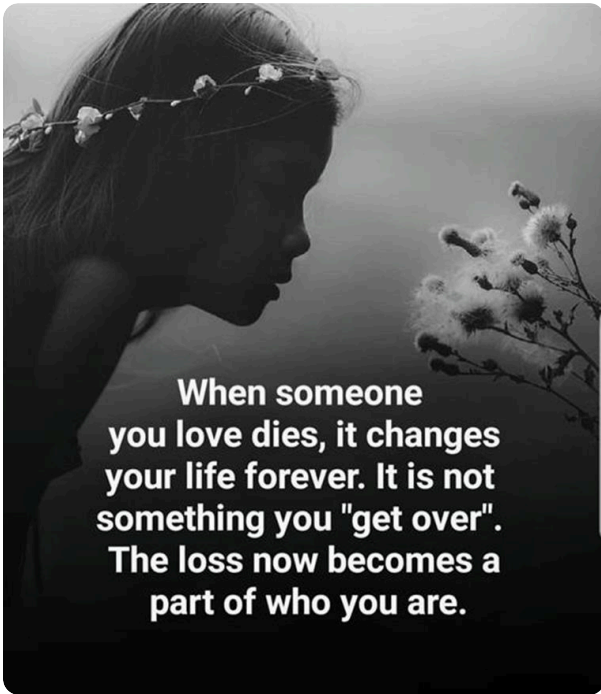


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Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Christine by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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