



Christopher Michael Scroggins

December 9, 1963 - December 31, 2024

It is with heavy hearts that we announce the passing of Christopher Michael Scroggins, a beloved son, brother, uncle and friend who passed away December 31st, 2024, at Evanston Hospital. He was born December 9th, 1963, in Kankakee, the son of William and Rosemary Scroggins.

Christopher attended St. Patrick's grade school and Bishop McNamara High School. He furthered his education at Eastern Illinois University where he received a B.A. in Graphic Design and eCornell, Cornell University where he received a certificate in Marketing Strategy.

Christopher began his long and creative career in Des Moines, Iowa where he was an Art Director at Thomas C. Porter & Associates from 1994-2000.

In 2000, Christopher moved to Minneapolis, Minnesota where he worked for Hammel, Green & Abrahamson as a Graphic Designer and then eventually became Principal Creative Director for his own small creative agency until 2006.

He returned to the Chicagoland area in 2007 where he became Senior Creative Manager for Office Max Corporate in Naperville, IL and then worked as a contract creative for Redbox Corporate in Oakbrook Terrace, IL.

Christopher had an unparalleled ability to see the world not as it was but what it could be. Whether through his art or other creative pursuits he wove beauty and inspiration into the lives he touched. He generously donated his time to groups and organizations he felt helped make a difference in the world. He contributed countless hours to such groups as the Iowa Natural Heritage

Foundation, Animal Rescue League of Iowa, Alliance to Restore the Kankakee River, and The Kankakee Historical Society.

To those who knew him, Christopher had an infectious spirit for life. A dedicated outdoorsman, he loved hiking trails and fishing near a stream. He loved his dogs and had a deep appreciation for a good read, lively political discussions and shared in the ups and downs of rooting for his beloved Chicago sports teams. In quieter moments he could be found laughing along to Seinfeld reruns or reminiscing about the charm of classic old TV shows that he shared a love for along with his father.

Most of all Christopher was loved by his mother Rosemary, his brother Jay, sister Cassie, sister Julie and her husband Brett, and was adored by his nephew Jack and niece Abbey. He cared deeply for his aunts, uncles, cousins and their children. He cherished his friendships and offered up nothing but kindness to all who passed his way. He was a lover of life and was able to find beauty and goodness in even the most difficult of circumstances. Christopher lived each day with gratitude and a deep belief there was always something to be thankful for.

Christopher is preceded in death by his late father William Francis Scroggins, grandparents

Leo & Mary Scroggins, and Joseph and Rita Quigley all of Kankakee.

Services will be held on Monday January 13th at Clancy-Gernon-Hertz Funeral Home in Kankakee starting with a visitation from 10:00am -12:00pm with a small prayer service to follow.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 13. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Kankakee - Clancy-Gernon-Hertz Funeral Home
1480 W. Court St.
Kankakee, IL 60901
(815) 932-1214
cgfuneral@gmail.com

Funeral Service

JAN 13. 12:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

KP

“ Kimberly P. planted a grove of 5 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Christopher Michael Scroggins.

Kimberly P. - January 26, 2025 at 02:13 PM

JJ

“ Jolinda Jones lit a candle in memory of Christopher Michael Scroggins



Jolinda Jones - January 12, 2025 at 07:16 AM

RP

“ My Sympathy and Prayers to family and friends.

Ray Palinski - January 10, 2025 at 01:00 PM

MW

“ Always the greatest smile and laugh, always so much fun. We always enjoyed your company, humor, kindness & wit. Thank for being everybody's friend, Stephen T. and Melissa Wertz

Melissa Wertz - January 09, 2025 at 04:03 PM

J(

“ *Rest in Paradise Chris*



Jacqueline Jenkins (Hillman) - January 09, 2025 at 02:22 PM

EG

“ *Eric Genshaw lit a candle in memory of Christopher Michael Scroggins*



Eric Genshaw - January 07, 2025 at 07:33 PM

AD

“ I came to know Chris because our parents were high school friends and they would get together for "card night" occasionally when we were little. My sister and I spent many hours hanging together with Chris, Julie, Cassie, and Jay watching "Creature Features", being mischievous, and once in awhile being told to settle down :) It was a card night at our house one night when I found out how talented Chris was at artwork. We were listening to my Kiss "Destroyer" album and admiring the artwork on the cover. Chrissy as he was known to us asked for a piece of paper and pencil and proceeded to recreate that cover with amazing accuracy and detail. I wish I still had that drawing!!

As can happen life gets in the way and we grow older, move away, and lose touch. There were times over the years we would see each other when we would both be in town at the same time and the consensus would be how great it was to see each other and that it should happen more often. Sadly, that opportunity never arrived as we always think there will be more time to "catch up" and am regretful because life's short grip has reached up and taken Chrissy way too soon.

It's funny that even 50+ years later I can still vividly recall that infectious laugh of his, the raspy voice that when he talked you knew it was him, and the silly happy-go-lucky personality that made him fun to be around. I will miss you my friend but you are only a memory away.

Your friend,
Andy Denault

Andy Denault - January 07, 2025 at 11:31 AM

RS

“ Rip chris 🙏 . Roger and lois schultz

Roger schultz - January 07, 2025 at 09:47 AM

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“ *Rest in peace Chris.*

Jean Marie Coutant (Durell) - January 07, 2025 at 09:09 AM

DD

“ *You are free my sweet friend. May you fly on eagles wings to the heavens, Paint the skies with majestic color... and never never stop dancing. See you on the other side 🙏✌️💕*



Deborah Denman - January 07, 2025 at 03:03 AM

JS

“ *Janice Shenk lit a candle in memory of Christopher Michael Scroggins*



Janice Shenk - January 06, 2025 at 03:26 PM

EC

“ *Rest easy my friend*

Eric Cyr - January 06, 2025 at 03:15 PM

DZ

“ *Rest in peace my friend.*

David Zinanni - January 06, 2025 at 02:59 PM