



Christopher Joseph Van Straten

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Christopher Joseph Van Straten was born April 18, 1948 in Tulsa, Oklahoma and passed away December 27, 2016 in Tulsa, Oklahoma. Christopher is survived by his son, Peter Van Straten and his wife Amanda; daughter, Maranda Blumenthal and her husband Joshua; son, David Van Straten; grandchildren Jacob, Zoe and Oziah; his brother, Peter Michael Van Straten and his wife Carol and numerous other family members and friends. Christopher is preceded in passing by his parents, Francis Joseph and Mildred Laverne Van Straten. There will be a Memorial Service Saturday, December 31, 2016 at 3:00 p.m at Floral Haven Funeral Home Chapel In lieu of flowers the family has set up a Go Fund Me account for help with funeral costs: <https://www.gofundme.com/u2-funeral-expenseschris-van-straten>



Tribute Wall

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RM

Ross Murphy posted:

Chris and I worked together at Cities back in the early 70's. we had many exciting times caving together. I am so saddened to learn of his passing. Ross Murphy

January 22 at 11:46 AM

MP

Mark Pisarra posted:

Chris was a really good guy! Our families lived two blocks from each other in Park Plaza East. His son, Peter, and my son, Charles, spent time together when I was a Cub Scout Den leader. Our thoughts and prayers are with his family

January 1 at 9:40 AM

MM

Matthew Miller posted:

Chris will always have a place in my family's hearts. He was at my son's first Mom & Me, coffee cup in hand and smile on his face. As my wife and I coordinated a respective Dad & Lad and Mom & Me (or Mud & Me lol) he was one of our first choices for staff events. My son is almost at Eagle rank and we could not have been more proud to have Chris be a part of our journey. Thanks Chris for all that you did. Lyrics from the Kingston Trio song: Hoist up the John be's sails (John be's sails) See how the main sails set (main sails set) Call for the captain ashore Let me go home (Let me go home) Let me go home (I want to go home) I want to go home (Why don't you let me go home?) Well, I feel so break up I want to go home (I want to go home) [Kingston Trio - Sloop John B. Lyrics] We are going to miss you, but you are with us in spirit. Rest in peace. Matt, Angela & Marcus Miller

December 31 at 12:24 PM

JK

June Karraker posted:

Lit a candle in memory of Christopher Joseph Van Straten

December 30 at 7:52 PM



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MC

Marva Carnahan posted:

There are so many memories that we have shared both individually and as a couple with Chris. I have one that I will never forget. Everyone has mentioned Chris' talent at spinning yarns. One day when Chris was visiting us, our oldest daughter, Melissa, ask what kind of tree was in the front yard. We told her it was a Red Bud. She exclaimed it couldn't be called that because it was purple. At that point, Chris began spinning a tale about the Indians not knowing their colors and the explanation became quite a story!! We don't remember the details, but Melissa bought it hook, line, and sinker!! Loved it when he spun yarns!!

December 30 at 4:20 PM

CH

Charles posted:

Anna and I send our sympathy. We will always have good memories of our days at Cities Service.
Charles Stall

December 30 at 6:27 AM



Memories only last if you share them

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



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