



William Christopher S. Carpenter

July 28, 1971 - May 24, 2023

William Christopher S. Carpenter, age 51, passed away suddenly on May 24, 2023, at home with his beloved wife after a lovely morning shopping, and a picnic lunch together in their new hometown and personal paradise in the Appalachian Mountains of Virginia.

Christopher was born on July 28, 1971 in Corpus Christi, TX to the late Brenda Sue McKechnie Carpenter, and William Keith Carpenter. His beloved, late maternal grandmother, Melrose Thomas of Madisonville, KY, helped raise him as his mother when Chris's own mother died tragically when Christopher was 3 years old, and his sister was only a baby.

Christopher is also preceded in death by his Soul brother, fellow soldier in arms, Carl Zugates, and Carl's mother Brenda Zugates, who were both Soul family to Chris.

Christopher is survived by his loving wife of three years, three months, Sabryna L. Carpenter, son Auzrah J. Carpenter, daughter Ophelia Solstice Carpenter Chase, and grandson Xeras T. Carpenter Chase.

Christopher is also survived by his sister, Laurie (David) Oakley of Madisonville, KY, his nieces Skylar Oakley and Emily Oakley, his brother, William Frederick (Crystal) Carpenter, his nephews Mason Carpenter and

Tyler Carpenter, his niece Katie Duggar, and grandniece, Macey Duggar, his stepmother, Carolyn Carpenter, and cousin Dawn Cope-Boulet.

Christopher graduated from Madisonville North Hopkins High School, class of 1989, after which he served in the US Army as a specialist in the 5th Special Forces group; a veteran of Operation Desert Storm from 1990-1993.

He was married to Karen Carpenter from 1990-2017.

Christopher worked as an OTR Truck Driver, owner operator for 18+ years with Covenant Transport, Team One and East/West Transport. He earned an Associate's degree as an Industrial Maintenance Tech, he was welder certified and mechanic ASE certified, worked as an independent contractor in construction, and as an auto mechanic.

Christopher moved from Kentucky to Oregon in 2017, where he met his love of a lifetime, his Soulmate, Sabryna, in late August of 2019 at a karaoke party. He proposed one month after they met, and they were married on February 29, 2020. Sabryna's children and grandchild became his, and he was a loving, devoted and dearly loved father to his new family.

Christopher officially retired due to his permanent, military service-related disability in 2020, which gave him time to heal his body and Soul, and spend all his time at home with his new, loving and laughing family.

After years of planning, Chris and Sabryna bought their dream home and moved across the country together with their son, dog and cat in September of 2022, to the beautiful, ancient Appalachian Mountains of Virginia.

Christopher was a generous, reliable, funny, self-assured man of many talents, with a bright, gregarious personality and heart no one could ignore.

Christopher was a Soulmate, husband, father, grandfather, brother, friend, lover, fighter, self-made, self-believer, family provider, soldier, war hero, trucker, carpenter, operator, house flipper, mechanic, hunter, wilds survivor, Harley Davidson rider, moonshiner, fisher, nature lover, treasure hunter, gold panner, dog lover, tattoo artist, amazing cook, house cleaner, antique collector, history student, lawn mower, dependable servant, guardian of women, children and the elderly, game player, trickster, joke teller, storyteller, life of the party, fun seeker, complimentor, heart cheerleader, karaoke rapper, adventurer, heart lifter, gift giver, tender hearted, romantic, risk taking, Harley Davidson riding, heart following truth teller.

He will be dearly missed by all who knew and loved him.

Visitation will be Monday, June 12, 2023 from 12:00pm - 2:00pm where a Celebration of Life service will begin at 2:00pm at Mullins Funeral Home Chapel. The service will be on Zoom online for those who cannot travel.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84737163958?pwd=WERTZUJ1QkcxTS9uYmdOdklrZmx1UT09> (<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84737163958?pwd=WERTZUJ1QkcxTS9uYmdOdklrZmx1UT09>)

Meeting ID: 847 3716 3958

Passcode: 000238

Mullins Funeral Home and Staff are serving the Carpenter family. Online condolences may be made at www.mullinsfuneralhome.net

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 12. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Mullins Funeral Home Chapel
210 Main St.
Clintwood, VA 24228

celebration of life service

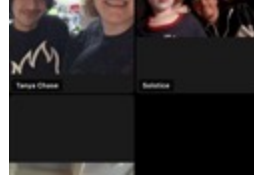
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Tribute Wall



“ 20 files added to the album *Tanya's photos of Chris*



Tanya S Chase - June 03, 2023 at 12:20 AM

BC

Thanks for sharing the pics with us

Barbara Combs - June 11, 2023 at 07:24 AM

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“ *Chris and I were great friends in high school and always stayed in touch throughout the years. My wife Daphne and I were really looking forward to him and Sabrina visiting this summer. Chris was one of a kind and will be deeply missed by many. Prayers to his entire family. Sincerely, Mike Allard*

Mike Allard - June 02, 2023 at 10:00 AM

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I'll never forget meeting Chris for the first time. His amazing storytelling about growing up and his special forces in the military were engaging and amazing and as always hilarious. It was impossible to have a bad day around Chris, he'd have you laughing like a heiana that your stomach hurt from all his over the top stories, jokes and karaoke 🎤 He would give you the shirt off his back, he cared about others. He was an incredible father and husband and friend. He was definitely the life of the party we were honored to celebrate his 50's birthday, We will never forget him. Rest in peace soldier.

Angie Smith - June 02, 2023 at 02:42 PM