



CHRISTOPHER J. HIRSCH

December 4, 1991 - April 1, 2017

Christopher J. Hirsch, 25 years, of Oak Ridge, NJ passed away unexpectedly on Saturday, April 1, 2017.

He was born on December 4, 1991 in Krakow, Poland.

He attended St. Peter the Apostle grammar school in Parsippany, NJ and graduated from Morris Catholic High School in 2010 where he was on the fencing team. He also attended The County College of Morris where he took several classes.

Chris was an active member of the Boy Scouts in Troop 49 in Jefferson Township. He attained Brotherhood Rank in the Order of the Arrow in 2009 and in 2010 he was awarded Eagle Scout rank. On campouts, all of the scouts wanted to be in his patrol so they could enjoy his culinary creations and observe and learn his creative pyrotechnic techniques. It was during this time that he also earned his Black Belt in karate.

Chris worked at Casa Bianca in Oak Ridge from 2010 to 2015 as a banquet server and food preparer. Most recently he worked as a landscaper for Fairview Landscaping in Wayne, NJ and at Ochs Orchard in Warwick, New York.

He will best be remembered for his love of the outdoors, especially hiking and camping, his impressive culinary talent in preparing creative, delicious gourmet dishes, his natural artistic ability in acrylic painting and drawing, his astounding creative imagination in constructing intricate designs with Legos, his love of family, his attachment to his Polish heritage, making homemade kielbasy with his brother Stephen and “Uncle” Jerry, and his patience and loving kindness to young children and his contagious smile and laugh.

Chris was predeceased by his maternal grandparents Josephine L. and Joseph J. Urbanczyk; and his paternal grandparents Helen and Gottlieb Hirsch.

He is survived by his beloved parents Raymond and Joanne (Urbanczyk) Hirsch; his loving twin brother Stephen and his girlfriend Jessica Denzler; his girlfriend Jessie and her daughter Tessa; his maternal aunt and godmother Lynn Ennis and her husband Barry; his uncle and godfather Joseph Urbanczyk; his Uncle Dennis Voelkel and his Aunt Susan; his “Granny June” Urbanczyk of South Carolina; and his paternal Uncle Sonny Hirsch; his maternal first cousins Sophie Voelkel, Chelsea Simon and her husband Zach, and Barry J. Ennis; his paternal first cousins Ann Marie Lombardo and her husband Nick, Christine Luce and her husband Bill; his godfather Billy Hirsch; step-brother Michael and his step-sisters Lynn, Lizzie, and Lori; many second cousins and extended family; as well as his dogs Amber and Charley, his cat Calico, and his ferret Nux.

Chris was a member of St. John Vianney parish and served as an altar boy and Eucharistic minister. He was very involved in Antioch and served as a team leader for several retreats. In addition, he was an active member of the Franciscan Mystery Players for several years and played various roles, including that of Jesus Christ.

The family will receive visitors on Friday, April 7, 2017 from 3pm to 7pm at the Stickle-Soltesz Funeral Home, 187 La Rue Road, Newfoundland, NJ 07435 (for GPS use 1 Post Place).

A Mass of Christian Burial will take place on Saturday, April 8, 2017 at 10am at St. John Vianney RC Church, 2823 Route 23 South, Stockholm, NJ 07460.

The interment will follow at St. Thomas the Apostle Cemetery in Oak Ridge, NJ.

In lieu of flowers memorial donations may be made in Christopher's name to: The American Foundation for Suicide Prevention, 120 Wall Street, 29th Floor, New York, NY 10005 or to The Conservation Fund, 1655 North Fort Myer Drive, Suite 1300, Arlington, VA 22209.

Log onto www.sticklesolteszfuneralhome.com tribute wall to personally post your condolences, memories, photos, and videos, as well as obtaining driving directions to the funeral home.

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 7. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Stickle-Soltesz Funeral Home
187 La Rue Road
(Parallel to Route 23 North between Clinton Road and Union Valley Road)
Newfoundland, NJ 07435
(973) 697-6700
info@sticklesolteszfuneralhome.com
<https://www.sticklesolteszfuneralhome.com>

Funeral Mass

APR 8. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

St. John Vianney RC Church
2823 Route 23 South
Stockholm, NJ 07460
(973) 697-6550

Interment

APR 8. 11:30 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

St. Thomas the Apostle Cemetery
5635 Berkshire Valley Road
Oak Ridge, NJ 07438
(973) 208-0090

Tribute Wall

AD

“ We only had the pleasure of meeting a few brief times, There was no doubt that you were loved and will be missed. Tessa is going to miss you <3 Rest well



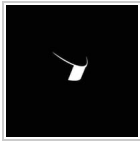
Allyson D'Esopo - April 08, 2017 at 05:01 AM



“ Jennifer Ann lit a candle in memory of CHRISTOPHER J. HIRSCH



Jennifer Ann - April 07, 2017 at 06:23 PM



“ Jim Jakubowski lit a candle in memory of CHRISTOPHER J. HIRSCH



Jim Jakubowski - April 07, 2017 at 05:37 PM



My deepest sympathy and condolences to the entire family and all Chris' friends. Chris was a great student, a faithful and supportive friend, with a heart of gold, who would really do anything for anyone-- he didn't even need to know you. Just the fact that he knew you were in need was enough for him to reach out to you. He would always constantly remind me of being his Polish son, and it was a joy to have him as a student. He brought quite a bit of presence to class, what with his vibrant personality, great sense of humor, and that awesome smile of his! Rest in peace, my Polish son, and know that your Polish father will always remember you, pray for you, and miss you.

Jim Jakubowski - April 07, 2017 at 05:45 PM

MG

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Mike Guarino - April 07, 2017 at 10:56 AM

MS

“ *I am sending you my deep sympathies and prayers in the loss of Christopher. He was a sweet and beautiful boy. As his teacher, he made me smile and brought me joy. He is at peace at home with God. I pray that God's love and grace carry you all through this time. Love, Maura Coyle Smith*

maura smith - April 06, 2017 at 05:53 PM

AB

“ AnnMarie and Nicky. Christine and Bill purchased the Crystal Cross Bouquet for the family of CHRISTOPHER J. HIRSCH.



AnnMarie and Nicky. Christine and Bill - April 06, 2017 at 01:53 PM

MF

“ Michael, Stephanie and family purchased the Pink Tribute Spray for the family of CHRISTOPHER J. HIRSCH.



Michael, Stephanie and family - April 06, 2017 at 11:07 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of CHRISTOPHER J. HIRSCH.



April 06, 2017 at 10:22 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of CHRISTOPHER J. HIRSCH.



April 05, 2017 at 05:58 PM

KF

“ *Joanne and Stephen,
My heart is breaking for you.
May God bless you both with all the strength and peace you'll need
to get through this difficult time.
And may Our merciful God greatly reward Chris for all he gave to
the church and His people. He certainly made us smile!
Remember, once a Mystery Player, always a Mystery Player. . .*

Kathy Fairclough - April 05, 2017 at 12:39 PM

LC

“ *my deepest sympathy goes out to Joanne and family for the loss of
your beautiful son Christopher, it is an unbearable pain like no other.
May God give you all the strength to carry on Christopher's memory.*

Lily Capriglione - April 05, 2017 at 10:49 AM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for
the family of CHRISTOPHER J. HIRSCH.*



April 05, 2017 at 09:29 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for
the family of CHRISTOPHER J. HIRSCH.*



April 04, 2017 at 08:35 PM

DR

“ I have known Chris since he was a little Cubscout and watched him grow to a young man. He was always there to help when asked. His peers looked up to him and respected him. I had the pleasure of being on many Scouting events with him and will never forget the time that he was one of our Leaders when we went to Philmont. Chris will be greatly missed
Dave Reines

Dave Reines - April 04, 2017 at 08:31 PM

DR

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Dave Reines - April 04, 2017 at 08:28 PM

CB

“ I'm so sorry, Joanne, I know how you loved and honored Christopher. Love, Claire

Claire E Brown - April 04, 2017 at 08:05 PM



“ Chris was very dear, respected, and liked. He was a very hard working, conscientious and caring man. His smile lit up Tessa's. Face like no one else!! His intensity was profound, always learning, trying new ways to contribute. I love his sense of humor. Still so stunned. MaY he truly rest at peace. Fondly, Sandy Mehling

Sandy Mehling - April 04, 2017 at 07:49 PM

YL

“ Your friends always, Jill, Julia, and Lawson purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of CHRISTOPHER J. HIRSCH.



Your friends always, Jill, Julia, and Lawson - April 04, 2017 at 07:09 PM

WJ

“ With my deepest Sympathy and Love, Uncle Joe purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of CHRISTOPHER J. HIRSCH.



With my deepest Sympathy and Love, Uncle Joe - April 04, 2017 at 03:55 PM

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Carrie Hummel - April 04, 2017 at 02:00 PM

CH

“ Carrie Hummel lit a candle in memory of CHRISTOPHER J. HIRSCH



Carrie Hummel - April 04, 2017 at 01:59 PM