



Christopher Randall Peregrine

May 14, 1960 - August 10, 2016

Christopher Randall Peregrine, age 56, went to his eternal reward on August 10, 2016 in his home in Traverse City surrounded by his wife and two daughters after an eight-year battle with cancer. He was born in River Forest, IL on May 14, 1960 to Moore W. Peregrine and Josephine Neal Peregrine.

Chris attended Oak Park and River Forest High School, Purdue University's Engineering program, and Northwestern University's Orthotic and Prosthetics program. He began his professional career at the Rehabilitation Institute of Chicago. There he met his future bride and love of his life Joanne, and they were married in Oak Park, IL on March 23, 1991. They moved to Traverse City where Chris enjoyed 25 years of work at Teter Orthotics and Prosthetics. Chris enjoyed his colleagues immensely and was proud of the fine organization they build over the years. He loved the unique challenge of each case and deeply cared for his patients. What Chris found most meaningful was his role as residency director, passing his skill and compassion on to the next professional generation.

Chris was past President of the Midwest Chapter of the American Academy of Orthotists and Prosthetics. He was a member of the Rotary Club of Traverse City, serving on the Board and was a life-long member of the Presbyterian Church, where he served as Elder and Deacon.

More than anything, Chris loved his wife and children and the opportunity to have raised them in beautiful Traverse City. He enjoyed hiking, biking, and cross-skiing with his family. Chris made sure his girls knew how proud he was of their accomplishments, personalities, and strong faith. He never missed the opportunity to tell them that they are beautiful and that he loved them so much.

Chris is survived by his wife, Joanne; daughters, Molly and Kelly Peregrine of Traverse City; father, Moore Peregrine of Frankfort, MI; brothers, Jay of Frankfort, MI, Michael (Suzie) of Glencoe, IL, and Peter (Anne) of Appleton, WI; and sister, Deborah of Jonesboro, AR. He was preceded in death by his mother, Josephine.

Visitation for Chris will take place on Friday, August 12 from 5 to 8 pm at Reynolds-Jonkhoff Funeral Home. The funeral service will be Saturday, August 13 at 11 am at the Presbyterian Church of Traverse City, Rev. Bill Myers officiating with a visitation one hour prior. For those wishing to give a gift in memory of Chris, contributions may be directed to

TART trails, the Cowell Family Cancer Center, and Michigan Blood.

Events

AUG **Visitation** 05:00PM - 08:00PM

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Reynolds-Jonkhoff Funeral Home
305 Sixth St, Traverse City, MI, US, 49684

AUG **Visitation** 10:00AM - 11:00AM

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The Presbyterian Church
701 Westminster, Traverse City, MI, US, 49686

AUG **Funeral Service** 11:00AM

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Comments



“ I am filled with sorrow and heart ache to hear that my friend has passed. Chris and I knew each other in Junior High in River Forest. At the time I played a lot of tennis with other friends and he asked me to teach him how to play. We were about to enter Oak Park River Forest High School that Fall. He was good and the coach excepted him on the Tennis Team. From what I remember, the coach was impressed that he had just learned to play and felt he would be a great asset to the team. I was proud to have helped but it was Chris's determination that got him there. I've often thought of him

Rest in Peace My Friend.
My God Bless You Forever.

Mitch Kampert

Mitchell KAmper - November 20, 2016 at 06:37 PM



“ Sending you all best wishes. My memories of Chris from high school was that first and foremost he was kind; a truly kind, young man. I'm so sorry for your loss.

Susan Smith - November 20, 2016 at 09:38 AM



“ Jo, Molly and Kelly--- Just wanted to let you know our thoughts and prayers are with you all each and every day. This is a very difficult time but know that you are all there for each other as the girls head off to college. Katie and I were so glad that we could visit with you before we left Traverse City. We "thank you" as a family for your friendship and love toward Katie throughout the years. With great sadness and love-- Joe, Julie and Katie Moses

Joe, Julie an Katie Moses - August 17, 2016 at 07:13 PM



“ Chris and his smiling face became a regular part of our days living along East Shore Road. First he was a swift runner, often with wife Jo. Regardless of his pace, he'd take the time to stop for a few friendly and positive words. Next came jogging with his young kids, then biking as leg issues developed, and eventually biking next to the girls as they became competitive runners. The years changed each of us in many ways, but Chris' positive attitude never varied.

I recall one striking conversation with Chris in 2012 as he talked of his diagnosis and pending mortality, never expressing self-pity, but only gratitude for knowing that time was limited and each of us needs to appreciate that this life is a gift.

Chris was a courageous role model as well as a loving spouse and father. We're grateful to have known a tremendous person of this nature and send our deepest condolences to Jo, Molly and Kelly.

Dave Murphy - August 12, 2016 at 07:30 PM



“ Hearts & prayers go out to Jo & family, so sorry for your loss.
Lynn & Bill Fifer

Lynn Fifer - August 12, 2016 at 02:04 PM



“ Chris was a remarkable man. For me he defined grace and inner peace. He always had a kind word and relevant insight. Some say our lives are measured by how many we bring with us. Chris always made me feel as if we were riding the same train. My condolences to Jo and the girls. Godspeed Chris.

Mike Carroll

Mike Carroll - August 12, 2016 at 09:22 AM



“ Chris was a very special man; kind, patient and so very special to my son Grant. He will be missed. Sending thoughts and prayers to Jo and their family at this very difficult time.

With my deepest sympathies,
Lauren Leitner

L. Leitner - August 11, 2016 at 08:54 AM