



Christopher C. Diehl

August 26, 2023

Christopher “Chris” C. Diehl, 46, of Huntington, passed away Friday, August 25, 2023.

Chris was born on August 21, 1977, in Auburn, IN, the son of Charles Diehl and Dianne (Klenke) Diehl. He graduated from Huntington North High School with the class of 1995 and attended Ivy Tech Community College in Fort Wayne. Chris married Amanda “Mandy” Rich on April 24, 1999, in Huntington, IN. They shared 17 years of marriage before she preceded him in death August 15, 2016. Chris and Angela D. Waymire blended their families on November 2, 2017, in Wabash. He was employed at Schnieder Electric of Huntington for 19 years in the returns department.

Chris enjoyed working in the yard making sure his lawn presentation was perfect. He was especially passionate about planting Ginkgo trees due to their representation of hope, strength, and resilience. Chris would go on road trips with his wife to out-of-state nurseries looking for new plants and trees to add to his collection. He liked golfing, gaming, woodworking, going to Taco Bell and was an avid Chicago Bears football fan. Chris always wanted to make others laugh and appreciated the times spent around the fire pit with friends and family. He adored his three children more than anything in the world.

Survivors include his wife, Angela D. Diehl of Huntington, IN; daughter,

Samantha (Ethan Becker) Diehl of Fort Wayne, IN; son, Jacob (Aleigha Grunden) Diehl of Wabash, IN; bonus son, Ean Waymire of Peru, IN; father, Charles (Dorothy) Diehl of Angola; mother, Dianne Diehl of Huntington, IN; sister, Dawn Anders of Huntington, IN; father in-law, John (Debbie) White of Peru, IN; sister in-law, Lisa (Matt) Murphy of Peru, IN; brother in-law, Brain (Danielle) Rich of Huntington, IN; his cat Bae; his dog aka loyal best friend Boss. He is preceded in death by his first wife, Amanda (Mandy) Diehl.

Please join us in celebrating the life and memory of Chris Diehl at the Foellinger-Freimann Botanical Conservatory in Fort Wayne, IN, on 9/17/23 between 11am-1pm. Chris loved plants and nature, and we know he would love to be celebrated with loved ones in a beautiful garden setting. Proceeding the visitation, the family guests are welcome to take a stroll through each of the Conservatory's three indoor gardens as an homage to Chris's life.

Preferred memorials to the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention, in care of Bailey-Love Mortuary, 35 West Park Drive, Huntington, IN, 46750. If you are feeling alone and having thoughts of suicide—whether or not you are in crisis—or know someone who is, don't remain silent. Talk to someone you can trust through the 988 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline. Call or text 988 or chat the lifeline.

Please sign the online guest book at www.baileylove.com.

Bailey-Love Mortuary is honored to serve the family of Christopher C. Diehl.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

SEP **17**. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Foellinger-Freimann Botanical Conservatory
1100 Calhoun Street
Fort Wayne, IN 46802

Tribute Wall

VG

“ *Victoria Guerre lit a candle in memory of Christopher Diehl*



Victoria Guerre - September 17, 2023 at 11:46 AM

DR

“ *Don Katrina Rollins lit a candle in memory of Christopher Diehl*



Don & Katrina Rollins - September 16, 2023 at 03:20 PM

BR

“ *Blair R. planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Christopher C. Diehl.*

Blair R. - September 15, 2023 at 10:24 AM

CK

“ *Carol Keene lit a candle in memory of Christopher Diehl*



Carol Keene - August 31, 2023 at 07:55 PM

LC

“ *I will truly miss you my friend and work partner. Thanks for all the laughs, fun, and memories. Lynn Crickmore. My thoughts and prayers for the family.*

Lynn Crickmore - August 31, 2023 at 11:20 AM

TP

“ *The Peterson's lit a candle in memory of Christopher Diehl*



The Peterson's - August 30, 2023 at 08:38 PM

PM

“ *Patty Martin lit a candle in memory of Christopher Diehl*



Patty Martin - August 30, 2023 at 08:07 PM

AH

“ *Amy Hiple lit a candle in memory of Christopher Diehl*



Amy Hiple - August 30, 2023 at 04:41 PM

AW

“ I’m so sorry for your families loss. When I think of Chris I remember his ornery/bashful closed lip smile. From kindergarten thru adulthood talking plants at the nursery. Jacob was in my sons class in school and he looked just like his daddy. Our family will be keeping you all in our thoughts and prayers. The Jeff and Andrea’ and Conor White family

Andrea White - August 30, 2023 at 01:59 PM

JM

“ Chris and I were pretty close in high school. My thoughts and prayers to the family in this time.

Jonathan McNutt - August 30, 2023 at 01:58 PM

JM

“ Jonathan McNutt lit a candle in memory of Christopher Diehl



Jonathan McNutt - August 30, 2023 at 01:56 PM

BB

“ Charlie, so sorry to hear about your son. Sounds like in his obituary he was full of fun and positive things in his life. May God give you and your family, and Chris’s family and friends, peace and strength, now, and through the rest of life’s journey. Bill and Paula

Bill and Paula Bentley - August 30, 2023 at 11:52 AM

RH

“ Chris will be missed. He was always fun to be around. I worked with him for 19years and enjoyed him. Until we see each other again my friend



Roxanne Heare - August 30, 2023 at 08:39 AM

SB

“ Stacy Bonewitz lit a candle in memory of Christopher Diehl



Stacy Bonewitz - August 29, 2023 at 06:50 PM

DK

“ Dave klenke lit a candle in memory of Christopher Diehl



Dave klenke - August 29, 2023 at 06:21 PM

BW

“ Prayer for the family.



Brenda A Wilfong - August 29, 2023 at 05:42 PM

EB

“ *Erica Bair lit a candle in memory of Christopher Diehl*



Erica Bair - August 29, 2023 at 11:41 AM

DS

“ *Debra Shenefield lit a candle in memory of Christopher Diehl*



Debra Shenefield - August 28, 2023 at 07:16 PM