



Christopher Dale Wallace

October 7, 1974 - January 20, 2025

Christopher Dale Wallace, age 50, of Indianapolis, Indiana, died on Monday, January 20th at home on hospice. Chris was born on October 7, 1974 in Dearborn, Michigan, the son of Linda Susan Layne and Ed Wallace. He grew up in Kokomo, Indiana and graduated from Kokomo High School in 1993 and from William Carey College in Hattiesburg, Mississippi in 1997. Chris married Michelle (Payton) Wallace on December 22, 2007 and recently celebrated their 17th wedding anniversary. Together they have one child, Elijah, who is 15. He held on as long as he could for them.

Chris loved helping people having worked as a teacher and in rehab therapy in group homes and with individual adults with special needs. His final job was helping people find financial resources to pay for their medical bills.

He was a huge fan of all things sci-fi, comic books, video games, and enjoyed Legendary game nights. He was known for his sense of humor. Chris respected the line of social appropriateness. He enjoyed the whooshing sound it made as he blew past it.

Chris was a Colts fan since the Mayflower landed in 1984 and a fan of Indy Car since attending the first of over 25 races when he was 7. He loved musicals and sang every song he knew, remembering every word perfectly, though far less particular about the notes.

Chris enjoyed ancient history and theology and had started seminary before his cancer diagnosis in 2021. He had taken several graduate classes in

philosophy and theology and was hoping to become a chaplain. He had the privilege of participating in 2 archeological digs in Israel in 1996 at Tel Beth Shean and 1998 with his brother at Tel Rehov.

Chris was preceded in death by his father, Ed Wallace, and his grandparents, Mildred and Milford Layne and John and Dorothy Mae Wallace. He is survived by his wife, Michelle; son, Eli; mother, Linda; brother Rob (Cindy); and nephews, Daniel and Thomas.

Visitation will be Saturday, January 25, 2025 from 11:00 a.m. until the time of service at 1:00 p.m. at Shirley Brothers Washington Memorial Chapel, 9606 E. Washington Street, Indianapolis, IN. For those unable to attend the service will be livestreamed and available by clicking on the following link: <https://client.tri-bucast.com/tcid/a25012848376758>

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that you make a donation in Chris' memory to the Colorectal Cancer Alliance at colorectalcaner.org.

Cemetery Details

Washington Park East

10612 E. Washington St.
Indianapolis, IN 46229

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 25. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Shirley Brothers Washington Memorial Chapel
9606 E. Washington Street
Indianapolis, IN 46229
(317) 897-9606
<https://shirleybrothers.com/>

Funeral Service

JAN 25. 1:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

GZ

“ Dear Michelle, I never personally knew Chris, only through you. You are an amazing woman with an amazing work ethic. I know you lost sleep and loaded on stress but you took care of son Eli and did the absolute best you could for Chris. God Bless You and Eli. Chris' heart surely shines through you both.

Goodney M Zapp - March 09, 2025 at 04:36 PM

MS

“ Chris was a great funny guy. We never knew what to expect out of Chris. I know on one occasion a friend and I drove Chris and his friends back to college and once he was on the road he did not stop for any breaks at all. He will be missed greatly, even though the years have passed so quickly and we did not get to see him or Michelle very much. Our thoughts and prayers are with the family.
Mary Carol Sparks

Mary Carol Sparks - January 24, 2025 at 04:26 PM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Christopher Dale Wallace.



January 24, 2025 at 11:54 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Christopher Dale Wallace.

January 24, 2025 at 11:54 AM

MC

“ *Morris & Mechelle Coleman lit a candle in memory of Christopher Dale Wallace*



Morris & Mechelle Coleman - January 24, 2025 at 11:28 AM

MC

“ *Sending our deepest condolences and much love to your family.*



Morris & Mechelle Coleman - January 24, 2025 at 11:27 AM



“ *Serene Reflections Bouquet was purchased for the family of Christopher Dale Wallace.*



January 24, 2025 at 10:28 AM

MH

“ *I will always remember Chris, along with Robert and my brother Keith, staying at our house when Chis was around 5 or 6 and drawing mustaches on each other while they were sleeping. I still laugh at their reaction when they woke up. Chris was one of the nicest guys you could ever meet and had a big heart to match. Thanks, Chris for the memories. Our condolences and prayers to his family. He will be greatly missed.*

Michael Howard - January 24, 2025 at 09:13 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Christopher Dale Wallace.



January 24, 2025 at 07:53 AM



“ I was very sorry to hear about the death of Chris. We sure had a lot of good times at Indian Heights Youth Group. We even went to one of his Christmas Dances together at Kokomo High Downtown. He was a good friend, smart, witty, and always lots of fun.

Julie Canady - January 23, 2025 at 10:13 PM



“ My condolences to you, Eli, and the family. I didn't know Chris personally but watched his life with Michelle, Eli family and friends on fb gave warm feelings. I know you will cherish the memories you created together. Continued prayers of comfort. Allow yourselves to feel all you are feeling. Sending hugs and wishing abundant love from family, light for your moments of darkness, peace to calm you on those hard days, and blessing as you continue to receive messages from Chris that he is ok.

*With loving thoughts and prayer
Chareen and Family*

Chareen stevens - January 23, 2025 at 08:05 PM