



## W. Christian "Chris" Hinrichs

December 21, 2021

W. Christian "Chris" Hinrichs, aged 49, passed away peacefully on Tuesday, Dec. 21, 2021 in Libertyville, IL after a courageous battle with cancer. Chris and his wife have been residents of Mundelein for 20 years. They also enjoyed the opportunity to spend 5 years as expats in Europe with his career. He grew up in Roselle, IL and was a graduate of Conant High School in Hoffman Estates. He earned his Bachelors degree, with honors, from Indiana University, where he met the love of his life, Katie. He enjoyed a successful life-long career at Abbott Laboratories and AbbVie, where he was the Financial Controller for Licensing & Acquisitions. Chris volunteered with CARA Collective of Chicago advising and editing resumes to assist those in poverty obtain gainful employment. He also volunteered during tax season at Waukegan Community Church. Chris enjoyed photography, cycling, traveling, reading, the love of his pets, and especially, quality time with his family.

He is survived by his loving wife of 27 years, Katherine "Katie" Hinrichs and his son Kohl; parents, Robert and Judith Hinrichs; brother, Erik Hinrichs and his wife, Leigh; his brother-in-law, David Ruthenburg and his wife, Terra; niece and nephew, Ava and Zach Hinrichs; and nephews, Jonathan and Connor Ruthenburg.

A memorial visitation will be held on Tuesday, January 4, 2021 from 4 to 7 pm at the Burnett-Dane Funeral Home, 120 W. Park Ave. (Rt. 176, one block west

of Milwaukee Ave.) in Libertyville. At 6:00pm, there will be a Celebration of Life observance where we would like to invite any attendees to share their reflections of Chris. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations can be made to The Neuroendocrine Tumor Research Foundation, CARA Collective of Chicago, Legal Aid Chicago, Feeding America, or The Night Ministry charities. For more information, please call (847) 362-3009. Memories of Chris can be shared at [www.burnettdane.com](http://www.burnettdane.com)

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 4. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Burnett-Dane Funeral Home  
120 West Park Avenue  
Libertyville, IL 60048  
(847) 362-3009

## Celebration of Life

JAN 4. 6:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

WB

“ We will treasure our memories of sharing adventures with Chris all over the world. Chris and Katie opened their homes and hearts to us in Switzerland, Ireland, and of course, Illinois. Chris's enthusiasm and joyful approach to new experiences taught us how to be good travelers. He had a sixth sense for the delightful and a passion for bringing others along, from a Parliament Funkadelic concert in Mundelein to Connemara. We will miss him forever.

Will & Anita Bakker - January 04, 2022 at 02:35 PM

SC

“ Chris was a such a nice guy and I remember us all having a great trip to San Antonio for a race. So sad for him to be taken far too soon.



Shane Caher - January 04, 2022 at 12:08 PM

TA

“ TLC Department from AbbVie purchased the Sentimental Dreams for the family of W. Christian "Chris" Hinrichs.



TLC Department from AbbVie - January 04, 2022 at 11:42 AM

BT

“ *Business Development & Acquisitions Team purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of W. Christian "Chris" Hinrichs.*



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**Business Development & Acquisitions Team** - January 02, 2022 at 10:19 PM

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“ *Uncle Keith and Aunt Darlene purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of W. Christian "Chris" Hinrichs.*



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**Uncle Keith and Aunt Darlene** - January 01, 2022 at 10:08 PM



“ *Fairest of All was purchased for the family of W. Christian "Chris" Hinrichs.*



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January 01, 2022 at 12:36 PM

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“ *AbbVie Finance purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of W. Christian "Chris" Hinrichs.*



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**AbbVie Finance** - December 30, 2021 at 02:17 PM



“ *Sweet Solace Spray was purchased for the family of W. Christian "Chris" Hinrichs.*



December 29, 2021 at 03:42 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of W. Christian "Chris" Hinrichs.*



December 29, 2021 at 02:01 PM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of W. Christian "Chris" Hinrichs.*



December 29, 2021 at 01:33 PM



“ *The AbbVie Legal Team purchased the Heavenly Grace Spray for the family of W. Christian "Chris" Hinrichs.*



**The AbbVie Legal Team** - December 29, 2021 at 12:01 PM