



Christopher Eakes

April 20, 1976 - April 28, 2006

Christopher Joseph Eakes, 30, Topeka, died Fri., Apr. 28, 2006.

Chris was born Apr. 20, 1976 in Arlington Heights IL, the son of Joseph and Sheryl Utech Eakes Pheasant. He graduated from Woodland Park High School, Woodland Park CO in 1994. Chris moved to Topeka about 2 yrs ago. On Jan. 14, 2006, he and Bridget Meier were married. He was a good man, loving husband and son. He loved his family and friends very much.

Survivors include his wife, Bridget Meier-Eakes, Topeka; his mother, Sheryl Pheasant and step-father, Mark Pheasant, Topeka; his sister, Kelli Hayworth and her husband, Chad, and their children, Anna, Benjamin and Andrew, Elkhorn NE; his brother, Matthew Eakes and his wife, Eva, Maniago, Italy, his grandparents, William and Carol Utech, Topeka, and Joseph Eakes, Topeka; his mother-in-law, Maggie Walshire, and her husband, Bob, and his father-in-law, Augie Meier, Jr. and Joyce Rakestraw; brother-in-law, Augie Meier III, and Nicole Raikes; sister-in-law, Belinda Meier; and many aunts, uncles and cousins. Chris was preceded in death by his father on Nov. 17, 1999 and his grandmother, Marian Eakes, Dec. 17, 2004.

Chris was cremated. A service of remembrance will be Thurs. at 7:30 p.m. at Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home, 2801 SW Urish Rd, Topeka KS 66614. Visitation will begin at 6 p.m. Thurs. until service time and continue following

the service until 9 p.m. Memorial contributions are suggested to the Cheyenne Mountain Zoo in Colorado Springs and Helping Hands Humane Society, Topeka and sent in care of the funeral home.

Tribute Wall



“ *Christopher Eakes*

January 28, 2023 at 12:08 PM



“ *To the Eakes family, Bridget and the Meier family, I am so sorry for your loss. Our family will keep you all in our thoughts and prayers. May God help comfort you during this difficult time.*

Maggie Provost - May 05, 2006 at 07:59 PM



“ *To the Chris Eakes Family:
I had only known Chris a short while. He and I both started our jobs at the Kansas Payment Center on the same date. I sat thru a couple of training classes with Chris, and it was evident that he was a bright, enthusiastic young man with great potential. He was always friendly and upbeat at work, and those who worked directly with him shared my observations. We were all deeply affected by the news of Chris' death. I pray that the Lord will comfort all of his family and heal your hearts quickly.*

Larry Dexter

Larry Dexter - May 04, 2006 at 06:27 PM

EH

“ Hi Bridget Emmi and I send our heartfelt condolences for your great loss of Chris. We did not get to know him well, but the loss of him in our block will be felt. We are truly very sorry for your great pain. We also offer our condolences to your family and Chris's family. My God Bless Chris. My God Bless you and be with you now and forevermore. Our prayers are with you. In His Holy Name Emmi and Earl Homman

Earl E. Homman - May 04, 2006 at 09:11 AM

PF

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with your families. We are sorry for your loss.

Pat Haines & Family - May 03, 2006 at 04:43 PM

SB

“ Frank & I want Chris' wife and family to know how deeply sorry we are for your loss, and great sorrow. You probably don't recognize the names, but my daughter Megan Conn has been like a best friend with Chris for almost all his time in Topeka. We had also become very close to Chris, and thought the world of him. Megan (as we are), is demolished with this, we are very saddened, and don't know how for sure to live without his wonderful presence in our lives. He will always live on in our memories, and hearts, and does and will bring heartwarming feelings thinking of him. He always had a smile for me, and I admired him, and have so many wonderful things to brag about him for. Please accept our sympathies, and know how special he was to us, he made such a positive difference in so many lives. My heart goes out to you all.

Suzi Sides/Frank Bernatowicz - May 03, 2006 at 02:23 PM

GG

“ *Bridget, my heart aches for you and all who loved Chris dearly. Though you may feel as you have been cheated in life losing him, please continue to ensure his spirit lives on. I know the hurt is so bad down deep inside, but have faith and hope that understanding will some day reach you. Unfortunately, it seems forever sometimes. Please do not be angry with God or the world! There are still lot's of people that you mean an awful lot to. I hope to see you soon. Talk about Chris often with one another.*

Gary Gillaspie - May 03, 2006 at 12:36 PM

SS

“ *Bill and Carol and family:*

My condolences in your time of grief. My family and I want to extend our deepest sympathy and love.

Sean, Pat, Thad and Sarah Smith

Sean Smith - May 02, 2006 at 10:14 PM

SE

“ *Maggie I want you to know how very sorry we are to hear about the loss of your son-in-law. We did not know Chris, but have known you for many years that we have lived in Topeka. I do so hope that all of your family can bond together and help one another heal from this tragedy.*

with love,

Sarah Eck

Sarah Eck - May 02, 2006 at 09:23 PM

OS

“ We've know Bridget for a couple of years and are very saddened to hear of her loss. We will keep Bridget and the rest of her family in our prayers for several days. God and time will heal your pain and suffering.

Orville & Connie Sparks - May 02, 2006 at 04:14 PM

KH

“ To Chris family, i didn't get time to really meet with him but the few chance i got he was always happy. I just want to send my deepest sympathies to your family...

Kendra Holford - May 02, 2006 at 03:19 PM

SD

“ I did not have the pleasure of knowing Chris for a long period of time, but it was easy to see that he had a great heart. I sat next to him at lunch on Friday and shared my Bennigan's Broccoli Bites, as he always shared any and everything he had with the whole research department. It was such a shock to know that I would not continue to learn more about this exceptional person, as he was well worth knowing. I want his family to know that I am keeping them in my thoughts and prayers, as they have suffered a great loss.

Sally Deghand - May 02, 2006 at 02:24 PM

DB

“ *Bridget and family,*

We were so sorry to hear about Chris. You have our deepest sympathies. Our thoughts are with you and your family.

*All our love,
Danielle, Erik, and Noah Brunin-Chaney*

Danielle Brunin - May 02, 2006 at 02:23 PM

NR

“ *I cannot believe that I am writing this- this has been a shock to everyone. Chris was such a special person, and was all heart. I am so sorry I can't be there. I know that our family will help each other mourn our loss, and better yet remember Chris often and with love.*

Nicole Rudder - May 02, 2006 at 12:17 PM

BH

“ *I had the honor of living with Chris and Bridget about a year ago. Chris was always someone I could sit and talk to when no one else was around. We shared some great stories and some even better laughs. He was very laid back and was always enjoying life. My heart aches knowing that he is gone, but I know that he is in a better place. Your family is in my thoughts and prayers. I love you Chris and I will always remember you. Just make sure you put the lid back on and eat all the popcorn you spilled :).*

Beth House - May 02, 2006 at 10:53 AM

TS

“ I have know Chris for a little over 1 1/2 years. He was always someone you could go to and talk to and have lots of laughs with. I have had alot of fun memories with Chris. I was shocked to hear that he passed away, but I know that he is in a better place, and he is reunited with his dad and grandmother. We will always remember you, and we will always love you Chris.

Tim Shelley - May 02, 2006 at 10:36 AM

MH

“ Our daughter (Heidi Hudson) is engaged to Chris' cousin Shane Brown. We only met Chris once but know most of his family. We are so sorry for your loss. We hope all your good memories of him will see you all through this sad time. Please know you are all in our thoughts and prayers.

Mike and Judy(Blackwood) Hudson - May 02, 2006 at 09:43 AM

TC

“ I've worked with Chris for the past few weeks now. I'm really sorry to hear about your loss! He was an awesome guy who always struck me as one who enjoyed life. Most memorable thing he expressed to me was his excitement for being able to help his in-laws do some home remodeling. When he returned to work he told me he worked hard, but enjoyed every minute of it (he was all smiles!) I will seeing him smile and being able to tease him about his ear holes :o)
Your family is in my prayers!!

Treniece Canady - May 02, 2006 at 09:17 AM