



Aaron Joseph Minnes

September 7, 1978 - June 25, 2024

Aaron Joseph Minnes, 45, skilled bartender, passed away unexpectedly on June 25, 2024, at home in Chicago's Logan Square neighborhood with his beloved dog, Argus the terrier-mix, standing guard.

Born and raised in South Bend, Indiana, Aaron studied screenwriting at Columbia College in Chicago. He was a creative mixologist and server, most recently at the Moody Tongue; previously at Punch House (where his colleagues called him "The Doctor"), Pequod's Pizza, and the Drinking Bird. Everywhere that Aaron worked, he walked away with friends.

He loved Dungeons and Dragons, philosophy, and reading. He was an excellent writer and a deep thinker (with occasionally contrarian views) who enjoyed a hearty discussion.

Cherished son of Sally Ellen (nee Bowman) and John Austin of Olathe, Kansas and Michael Louis (Nora) Minnes of Warsaw, Indiana. Close friend and spouse of Emma Elizabeth Reeves. Dear brother of Bethany (Jonathan) Lyford of New Hampshire and Nathaniel (Danielle) Minnes of Indiana. Stepbrother of Brian (Courtney) Austin, Sarah (Scott) Rainey, and Alexander (fiancée Meghan) Austin, all of the Kansas City area.

A celebration of Aaron's life is being held Saturday, August 10, 10am - 2pm

(eulogy service begins 11am)

/at Local Option, 1102 W. Webster, Chicago, 60614.

Memorial contributions may be made in his name to PAWS Chicago <https://www.pawschicago.org/>.

Arrangements by Inclusive Funeral Care, 773-370-2959 or www.InclusiveFuneralCare.com.

Previous Events

Gathering

AUG **10**. 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM (CT)

The Local Option

1102 W. Webster

Chicago , IL 60614

<http://www.localoptionbier.com>

10am doors open 11am eulogies 2pm departure

Tribute Wall

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“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



Benjamin Bowman - September 09, 2024 at 06:37 AM

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On the couch L to R, sister Bethany, cousin Benjamin Bowman, AARON, and cousin Kyle Bowman.

Benjamin Bowman - September 09, 2024 at 06:42 AM

LB

“ *I am so sorry to hear this, keeping Emma and Aaron's family in my prayers. Sending strength your way.*

Lindsay Brown - June 29, 2024 at 08:48 PM

LR

Sweet, quirky and smart, Aaron was ring bearer at his Uncle Bob's and my wedding many many years ago. He was a great kid, and although it's been many years since I saw Aaron, he is forever in my memories. This is hard, prayers to all who will miss him terribly

Lori Ryan - June 30, 2024 at 03:08 PM

LA

As a young single girl in my twenties, I recall gazing at Aaron one day as an infant, cooing back at me and locked in my gaze, and thinking to myself, "This is nothing short of a miracle. This child is perfectly designed and divinely loved."

Aaron, I never knew you as an adult, but I know your Mom and your family, and I know how much you are loved! Rest in peace as you live on in their hearts. 💕

Aunty Lisa

Lisa Andreae - August 07, 2024 at 10:43 AM

BB

My nephew Aaron was the first baby I ever held, bathed, changed a diaper, and most of all...loved. As he grew up I, my wife and three sons lost track of Aaron. I will always remember him as a sweet little boy with a good heart.

Benjamin Bowman - September 09, 2024 at 06:27 AM