



Christopher Wood

June 27, 1986 - October 1, 2025

Christopher Michael Wood, (“Chris”), beloved son, father, fiancée and friend, died peacefully in his sleep on October 1, 2025, due to complications from Stage 4 bile duct cancer. He was 39 years old.

Chris was the devoted father of Connor Wood (aged 11) and Daphne Wood (aged 8). All who knew Chris recognized his deep love for his children and his pride in their accomplishments. He was the cherished only child of Michael and Suzanne Wood and had planned to build a life with his adored fiancée, Jess Booth.

His favorite pastimes include singing to his children, playing his guitar, going to Wrigley Field to watch the Cubs and playing video games with Connor and the “Best Friends Gang.”

Chris earned his undergraduate degree in history (2008) and his Juris Doctor (2012) from Wake Forest University. He received his LLM in International Tax from the Northwestern Pritzker School of Law in 2013. He began his career at Ernst & Young and PriceWaterhouseCoopers and most recently served as the Director of Global Tax Controversies at McDonald’s Corporation.

He was preceded in death by grandparents Joseph and Anna Hall and Herbert and Ina Wood.

Visitation 10am (funeral service begins 11am) on Tuesday, October 7 at St. Peter's Episcopal Church, 617 W. Belmont Avenue, Chicago, IL 60657. Burial at Rosehill Cemetery will follow.

Please note that St. Peter's does not have a parking lot. If you wish to travel in procession to the cemetery, street parking is available. If you are not attending the burial, public transportation or ride share are recommended.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in his name to the foundation for bile duct cancer research: the Cholangiocarcinoma Foundation (<https://cholangiocarcinoma.org>).

Arrangements have been made by Inclusive Funeral Care, 773-318-1305 or www.InclusiveFuneralCare.com

Previous Events

Visitation followed by Service of Christian Burial

OCT 7. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Peter's Episcopal Church
617 W. Belmont Avenue
Chicago, IL 60657
<https://www.stpeterschicago.com/>

10am visitation; 11am mass

Funeral Service

OCT 7. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

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Chicago, IL 60657
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10am visitation; 11am mass

Tribute Wall

PM

“ I was on Woody’s freshman year hall during undergrad at Wake Forest and after that, the following year, we were part of a group that was in the same suite. He was a truly wonderful human being. He had a hilarious sense of humor that everyone loved, and an abiding interest in history and current events that was as engaging as it was entertaining. At the end of essentially every conversation he would be wearing an irrepressible grin on his face, such that any time anyone spoke with him, he left you beaming a smile back yourself. He meant so many things to so many people. My life unalterably changed for the better because I was fortunate enough to meet him. Thank you for the gift of your friendship and the joy you’ve added to this world, Woody. — Peter Morris

Peter Morris - February 07 at 05:37 PM

NR

“ I’ve been struggling to find the right words since hearing about Chris’s passing. We met in law school in 2009, and our friendship grew around the shared tribulations of law school, a fascination with history, trips to Michigan State football games, and a sense of humor that could brighten even the roughest day. Whether we were debating historical events, planning trips, or just cracking each other up, Chris had a way of making every moment memorable.

He was one of those rare people who left a mark on everyone he met — brilliant, loyal, grounded, and endlessly funny. Chris had a knack for making life feel lighter, whether through a perfectly timed joke, a story about some obscure historical fact, or simply by being present and listening when it mattered most.

I’ll miss our long conversations, shared adventures, our laughs, and the quiet confidence that came from knowing Chris had your back. He lived with curiosity, humor, and generosity, and anyone lucky enough to know him felt that. Rest easy, my friend. You made the world better, and you will never be forgotten.

May your memory be eternal.

Nick Romley - October 19, 2025 at 04:20 PM

FH

“ Mike and Suzanne,
I am so sorry to hear about Christopher. It is so very hard to lose a son or daughter. They are supposed to outlive us, not the other way around. We recently lost our beloved son-in-law to cancer and we are trying to help Suzanne's daughter, Emily through the tough times that always come after a premature death. I have no glib advise, but I share your grief.

Jack Hurley

F Jack Hurley - October 13, 2025 at 11:02 AM

SO

“ I was deeply saddened to learn of Chris’s passing. Please accept my deepest condolences during this time of sorrow. Chris was not only a remarkable professional but also a kind and generous person. He was greatly appreciated by his French colleagues, who held him in high regard for his dedication, warmth, and collaborative spirit. His presence will be sorely missed by all who had the privilege of working with him. My thoughts are with you, and I wish you strength and peace in the days ahead. With deepest sympathy,
Soraya

Soraya - October 06, 2025 at 08:38 AM

AC

“ Our deepest condolences to the entire family during this difficult time. Chris was a great dad, taken far too soon, and he will be sorely missed. With love, Amanda, Brian and Aidan Collins (Daphne’s friend from school). ❤️

Amanda Collins - October 04, 2025 at 02:38 PM

JC

“ We are heartbroken to hear this news. We are sending all our love to Jess, Suzanne, Mike, Connor, and Daphne. We have been lucky to live next door to Chris the past few years. He was also so kind and happy every time we saw him and we wish we had words to help with your family's unimaginable pain. Please know we are here for you and you all are in our prayers. The Carter Family

Jessica Carter - October 03, 2025 at 02:54 PM